



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22nd November 2024

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Three & Four

This week has been chilly but we that hasn't stopped us learning and having fun!

St Edmund's Day Mass was a special morning altogether and later we took some time to understand who Edmund of Abingdon was and why he became a saint by creating a profile of him in our PSHE books. We also designed some beautiful stain glass windows.

In English we have been reading aloud 'Passing the Punctuation' and taking note of commas, exclamation marks, question marks and more, introducing intonation in our voices and bringing the characters to life. We have discussed some thoughts and feelings of characters from 'The Green Children' which helped inform a diary entry. As well as this fable, we began a new story by the wonderful Roald Dahl, Fantastic Mr Fox. Finally, to round of our reading genres, we have been looking at classic children's poetry by Robert Louis Stevenson.

Our mathematical knowledge is building nicely. We are talking like mathematicians now, using vocabulary such as 'factors' and 'products'. We are beginning to use the knowledge we have, to solve the problems we don't instantly know which shows excellent thinking is taking place. Our goal now is to know our 8 times table fluently by Christmas!

In science we are now looking at plants in detail. We began by carefully dissecting some beautiful lilies and identifying different parts of the flower and understanding their functions.

Our attendance has been superb in class, long may this continue, and to celebrate this and all the hard work the children are putting in each day, we have been rewarded with our second Pizza Party today ... another conga year 3&4?

Photographs are on the next page.



Photographs from Year Three/Four



Classroom News!

EYFS

In EYFS this week we have finished looking at our fiction text the Leaf Thief. We really enjoyed guessing who the leaf thief could be and eventually finding out that it was the autumn wind! We have sequenced the story and come up with captions for each picture. Finally, we created a story map with actions to help us remember the story! In Maths this week we have started our new topic of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. We explored the composition of 4 and 5, then practiced how to write them. We have also started to subitise these numbers, using the story Pete the Cat and his 4 Groovy Buttons, counting how many buttons had Pete lost! We had lots of fun in the snow and built our own snowman. We then spoke about the changes to the environment as it is getting closer to winter.

Year One & Two

This week we had to make some jelly traps to catch the Evil Peas on the loose in Year 1&2! We had to write instructions to make our traps using time order words and conjunctions. In maths, we have been spending time looking at numbers over 20 on number lines and 100 squares. In history, we read the book 'Once there were Giants' we discussed the events in the characters life and placed them on a timeline to describe the order in which they happened. In RE, we learned about the Advent wreath, what it represents and we even made our own version with our handprints. Well done Year 1&2 for a great week!

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been exploring advent this week in RE and discussing the two different versions of events in the Gospels from Matthew and Luke. The children were able to identify the similarities and the differences from both pieces of scripture. In Maths, we have begun to explore factors, common factors and prime numbers.

In English, the children have begun to develop their own ideas for a legend. They have selected: a new companion, a new location, a new punishment, as well as a new precious item that goes missing. Our French skills have also been developed this week, as the children were describing the clothing that they were wearing.



**This week's house point winner is:
Nightingale
Well done!**



Classroom Rewards

Each week children are encouraged to complete their work to a high standard (St. Edmund's Standard). Children who have tried their best to try and reach this standard will be awarded the 'St. Edmund's Standard Award'. Children are also encouraged to follow the school mission statement and show 'Care, Consideration and Courtesy' towards each other, children who show acts of kindness which follow the mission statement will be awarded the 'Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award'.

St. Edmund's Standard Award

Ignacy

David

Michael

Simie

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Caia

Alicja

Lincoln

Harper

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Three and Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 88.7%

This week's overall attendance: 89.3%

56 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

Congratulations to Year Three and Four, they have won the pizza party which will take place next Friday.

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU	87.1%	0
Year One & Two	83.7%	0
Year Three & Four	98.1%	1
Year Five & Six	90.4%	1

Melissa

has won the individual attendance award

Well Done for being in school every day and on time.

Attendance Rewards

Attendance Draw—If your child has been in school every day and on time during the week, their name will be entered into a weekly attendance draw and they could win a £5 voucher for Asda.

Class Reward—The classes with attendance over 90% each week, will gain a pretend cup of hot chocolate and if they are the first class to collect five cups they will win hot chocolate and a movie for the class.

Dear Parents and Carers

We had a lovely service on Tuesday to celebrate St. Edmund of Abingdon's feast day. Deacon Anthony came and lead the occasion. The children sang beautifully and the children from Year Six read the prayers and readings well. Thank you Deacon Anthony for leading the ceremony.

One of our Year Six children joined the SHARES pupil parliament meeting to discuss the closing of the Nye Bevan our local swimming pool. She read our school council letter about the closure and explained how we where feeling about the closure. Well done Kinga.

Well done to Year Three and Four for winning the pizza party. The next whole class attendance competition will be for a movie and hot chocolate. **Please encourage your children to attend school.**

Next week, we are taking part in Odd Sock Day which reminds us that it is okay to be different and that we all deserve to be treated with love, kindness and respect. We will all wear Odd Socks on Monday to remind us of this.

Christmas Chocolate Day—On Thursday, we will be having Christmas Chocolate Day. All children are encouraged to come to school in their own clothes and bring chocolate. The chocolate will be used for our Christmas Tombola at the Christmas Fair.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

School Lottery

Please support the school by taking part in the school lottery. The money raised from the lottery will help to support the purchase of new computers, trips and special events.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-edmunds-catholic-primary-school>

The next draw will be for a £25,000 jackpot.

Pupil Corner

If your child/children have achieved something at home, please send an email to me with a photograph.

head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk



Monday 25th November 2024

All children and staff to wear odd socks on Monday to remind us that we are all different and deserve to be treated with respect, love and kindness.

This week's events.

Thursday 28th November 2024

Christmas Chocolate Day

All children can wear their own clothes and bring in some chocolate which will be used for our Christmas Chocolate Tombola at the Christmas Cafe.

Children are encouraged to bring in boxes of chocolates, bars of chocolate and selection boxes.



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Autumn Important Events

Event	Date	Time	Place	Who	Children to wear
Anti- Bullying Day - Odd Sock Day	25 th November	All day	School	All children	Children to wear odd socks.
Parents' Evening	26 th /27 th November	3.30-5.30	School	Parents	NA
Christmas Chocolate Day	28 th November	All day	School	All children and staff	All children to wear own clothes. All children to bring in chocolate which will be used for Christmas events.
INSET Day	29 th November	All day	NA	NA	NA
Family Christmas Crafts	4 th December	9.15 – 11.15	School	Parents and children	NA
KS2 Choir carol singing in Tesco	9 th December	1.30 – 3.00	Tesco Burscough	KS2 Choir	Santa Hat and tinsel around neck for scarf.
KS2 Children singing in Concourse	10 th December	1.00 – 3.00	Concourse	All KS2 children	Santa Hat and tinsel around neck for scarf.
EYFS/KS1 Nativity	12 th December	2.30 pm	School	Whole School Community	NA
Winter Wonderland Dance Show	16 th December	TBC	Our Lady Queen of Peace	Dance Club	Outfit to be organised by Mrs Nickson and Mrs Mitchell.
Christmas Crafts Cafe	17 th December	2.00 pm	School Hall	Parents and Children	Uniform
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	18 th December	All day	School Hall	Children	Christmas Jumper or brightly coloured clothes. Money raised to go to Alder Hey Hospital.
Supper with Santa	18 th December	3.30 pm – 4.45 Pm	School Hall	Children who have paid the fee.	
End of Year Celebration Assembly	19 th December	9.15 am	School Hall	Whole School Community	Partywear
Christmas Parties	19 th December	During the school day.	Classrooms	Children	
Christmas Collective Worship	20 th December	2.00 pm Those parents who attend the collective worship can take their children home early.	School Hall	Whole School Community	Uniform

Please keep checking in case dates change.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

St. Edmund's Reading Awards

The children are encouraged to read their books at home. This will help the children to learn through repeated practice. Those children who read at home will be rewarded with the following rewards:

Bronze Award—Certificate

Silver Award —Book Mark and Sweet Treat

Gold Award —Reading Book

As children achieve the reward they will be added to the reading wall in red.

