



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Five & Six

This week in Year 5/6 we have been exploring refracting light, using water and shapes. In addition, we were able to make a periscope using mirrors and cereal boxes. In History the children have been exploring 'ancient and modern maps, searching for 'where in the world was Baghdad?' The children then discovered the differences between Baghdad and London in the year 900 AD. In RE, the children have been discussing unconditional love. They have explored many scriptures relating to love and how you should not have to earn love. In mathematics, the children have been solving questions involving rounding numbers, all the way up to 1 million.

The children have begun writing their own mini chapter of The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad involving a new adventure from the main character named Jabir. Today, the children used their skills that they have gathered throughout the unit to write a detailed setting, including expanded noun phrases.



Classroom News!

EYFS

This week in EYFS we have we have started our new book 'Doing My Best', this book has been telling us how to be the best we can be! We have looked at lots of words we found hard and made our own meanings for them. We have been trying to use this book to help us encourage each other as we start a new term. Also, this week the children have started their Maths topic; match, sort and compare. The children have been using items around the classroom to create a rule to sort them and matching items that are the same. In our topic we have begun to look at different homes and where we live. We have spoken about homes in the past and different countries, then compared them to our homes now. The children have really enjoyed making their own houses in the creative area.

Year One & Two

Year 1&2 have been writing their diary entries about Grace this week. They have been writing in the first person and including thoughts and feelings. In Maths, we have been counting 1 more and 1 less and learning more about tens and ones. We looked at the Trinity Cross this week as a source in our History topic and in RE we thought about new beginnings and how we start our day. In Science, we carried out an experiment to see how absorbent different cloths and towels are. Well done Year 1&2!

Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4, we have been looking at how we can represent a variety of different numbers up to 1000. The children have been using base 10, place value counters and pictorial representations to create numbers and then write them in numerals and words. In English, we have begun writing our own Fairy Tale based on the African fairy tale - Cinderella of the Nile. While in RE, we have been exploring the work of King Solomon. We investigated his teachings, using some scriptures we found in our God's Story Bible, and applied them to some modern-day problems. In Science this week, we have been exploring how sound travels through solids, liquids and gases - it was lots of fun (specially making sounds in the water!) Well done on another fabulous week, team. You have all made a wonderful start to Year 3 / 4, keep it up!



**This week's house point winner is:
Anderson—Stephenson-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

Blake Spencer

Kaine Georgeson

David Feraru

Katerina Kotelnikova

Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Grace Galligan

Hayley Mawson

Maycie Miller- Keegan

Aiden Lach

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Three & Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 89.6%

This week's overall attendance: 89.75%

Attendance this week is still not as good as it should be, please remember we can only teach your children to be the best that they can be if they are in school. Attendance at school is essential for learning.

67 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

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88.1%

Year One & Two

88.4%

Year Three & Four

91.5%

Year Five & Six

91%

Announcement: Family Attendance Draw

At the end of each term, we are going to have an **attendance draw**. For every full week a child is in school they will receive a ticket which will be entered into the end of term attendance draw. Therefore the more full weeks your child is in school the greater chance you have at winning the draw. The prize will be a £25 voucher for Asda.

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a great week in school. We have had a visit from the English Hub this week, we showed them everything which we have changed in relation to reading and they were very happy with what they saw. The children made us very proud.

Please note the dates for our yearly McMillan Coffee Mornings. All family members are invited, including grandmas, grandads, aunties and uncles, it would be lovely to see you all.

Just a gentle reminder about the park and allowing your children to go the park unattended. Although it is legal to allow them to go to the park unsupervised, I would suggest that children of primary age would still need supervising just in case.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Pupil Corner

In pupil's corner,

we celebrate any achievements which children have completed at home.

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

head@st-edmunds.lancs.sch.uk

School Uniform Expectation

Days of Week	Year Groups	Uniform Expectation
Monday Tuesday Wednesday	All classes	<p><u>Girls' Winter School Uniform</u> Boys' Winter School Uniform Grey Skirt or Pinafore Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt Burgundy Sweatshirt/Cardigan</p> <p><u>Boys' Winter School Uniform</u> Grey Trousers Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt Burgundy Sweatshirt</p> <p>White Socks Black Shoes/Black Trainers (no white markings)</p>
Thursday	All classes	<p><u>Girls' PE Uniform</u> Black Full Zip Top</p> <p>Black Jogging Pants Burgundy Shorts (Summer) White t-shirt</p> <p>Black Trainers (no white markings)</p>
Friday	EYFS/Y1/Y2	<p><u>Girls' Winter School Uniform</u> Boys' Winter School Uniform Grey Skirt or Pinafore Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt Burgundy Sweatshirt/Cardigan</p> <p><u>Boys' Winter School Uniform</u> Grey Trousers Yellow/Gold Polo Shirt Burgundy Sweatshirt</p> <p>White Socks Black Shoes/Black Trainers (no white markings)</p>
	Y5/6 and those children who are doing forest school (For the next four weeks it is Y3/4)	<p><u>Girls' PE Uniform</u> Black Full Zip Top Black Jogging Pants Burgundy Shorts (Summer) White t-shirt Black Trainers (no white markings)</p>

Uniform items with the school logo on are available from the office but if you would like uniform items without the logo, they are available from Asda.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2023/24

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.





We will be holding our Macmillan coffee mornings on:

EYFS/KS1—Tuesday 26th September 2023

KS2—Wednesday 27th September 2023

Parents would be asked to donate a packet of cakes which would be on sale on the day. If parents would like to send in packets of sealed cakes before the date, you are very welcome.

It would be lovely to see everyone and raise money for the
Macmillan Cancer Support.

Gentle Reminder

It is school policy that children under 16 will not be allowed collect their younger siblings.

Mrs Hall's Flowers

Mrs Hall is very proud of the children. Before the holidays, Mrs Hall and a group of child planted some seeds in the tyres in the outside area near the Thrive room. Here are the results of their hard work.



Important Information

A gentle reminder children are only allowed to have water in their water bottles not juice, flavoured water or cordial as we have a child in school who allergic to these items.

These drinks are allowed at lunchtime because we are able to manage the situation because of the amount of staff on duty during lunchtime