



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 24th October 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

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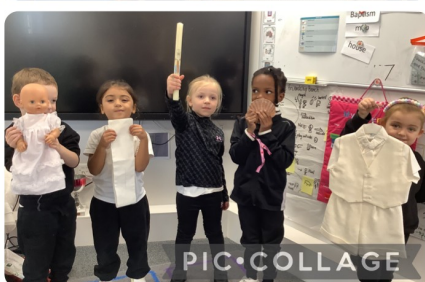
It has been a busy week in FSU and we have had lots of fun preparing for Halloween! We enjoyed developing our fine motor skills by using hammers to put golf tees into pumpkins and later we used our creative skills to paint our pumpkins. The children also had lots of fun filling witches' cauldrons with spiders, lizards and lentils, and explored capacity to fill the containers to find half empty, full and empty.

On Tuesday, as part of our Home Sweet Home topic the children went for a walk around our local area.

The children were brilliant on our walk, and they enjoyed spotting local landmarks such as the park, houses and the school field. Later, we looked at maps of the local area, and the children were able to find the foot-paths we walked along and the houses that we saw. This week, the children also drew pictures of their houses and enjoyed talking about how many windows and doors their homes have and who lives in their house.

In R.E this week, the children have been learning about baptism and how babies are welcomed into the Catholic church. The children learnt that baptisms take place in church and that the Father baptises the baby at the font. The children also had fun reenacting a baptism and took turns to be the parents, godparents and the Father. Mrs. Birmingham kindly shared her children's baptism gowns, baptismal candle and shawl with FSU, and the children enjoyed looking at the items and asking questions about them.

Well done FSU, I hope that you all have a lovely half term!



Classroom News!

Year One & Two What a fantastic final week of term we've had in Year 1/2! There's been lots of wonderful learning and plenty of fun.

In English, we have been focusing on using capital letters, full stops, and finger spaces correctly. Year 2 have also been learning how to add question marks and exclamation marks to their sentences!

In History, we continued our fascinating topic on Learie Constantine, discovering why he was awarded an MBE in 1947.

In Maths, we've been learning about fact families. The children have enjoyed working together on the carpet in groups, using equipment to put their learning into practice.

We ended our brilliant week with a marvellous Halloween party with all our friends!

I am so proud of all of Year 1/2 for their hard work and enthusiasm throughout this first term. Have a well-deserved rest over half term. I can't wait to see you all back, ready for another exciting term of learning!

Enjoy your half term!

Year Three & Four

This week, Year 3 and 4 have been busy rounding off several exciting units. In maths, we completed our work on addition and subtraction, and the children have become confident using the column method. In English, we finished our narratives and produced some wonderful short stories all about Loch Ness adventures. Our history topic on the Ancient Egyptians came to an end with the children writing fantastic reports and sharing fascinating facts about this remarkable civilisation with other year groups. We also recorded our music performance of Mamma Mia on the recorders. Enjoy your week, take time to recharge, and we look forward to seeing you all soon.

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been extra hard this week completing their final independent write. They have created their own narrative based upon the model of The Nowhere Emporium. The children have also had the opportunity to continue their skills in writing by completing a police report based upon events in the text, as well as writing a debate based upon our History topic. The question is 'Was the Golden Age really golden?' The children had to use a variety of reasons for and against the question to argue if the early golden age of the Islamic civilisation was golden.

In mathematics, we have been investigating prime numbers, as well as factors and multiples. In RE, the children have been exploring vocation and commitment. This week they investigated the life of people who have pledged their life to serving others and we have looked at a variety of roles in which this can occur. The children have also been identifying the commonalities between them. We have also been enjoying our extra play as we have won attendance quiet a lot of late.



**This week's house point winner is:
Nightingale, Anderson and Stephenson
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

Willow

Anaya

Ria

Hailey

Growing Together in God's Family

Paddy

Alyssa

Michael

Penelope

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are:

The winning class receives an extra playtime: Year Five and Six

Last week's overall attendance: 91.3%

This week's overall attendance: 91.2%

58 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

	This week's attendance	Pieces of pizza so far
FSU	90%	2
Year One & Two	87.2%	1
Year Three & Four	89%	3
Year Five & Six	95.9%	5

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 92% each week, will gain a piece of pretend pizza and if they are the first class to collect five pieces of pizza they will win a pizza party for the class.

Dear parents and carers

We have had a fantastic week this week which was completed with our Fancy Dress Party. We played lots of games and listened to music (thank you to Skyler and Caia for helping me with the playlist). The children enjoyed their sweets and had lots of fun.

School will be closed next week. I hope you have a lovely October holiday and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 3rd November ready for the countdown to Christmas. When we come back after the holidays I will provide the event list for the half term.

I hope you have a lovely break

Mrs Birmingham

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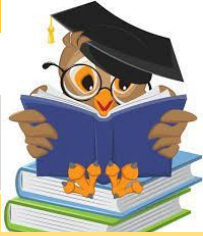
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Our Reading Celebration Wall 2025/6

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Anaya Zak Igor Ria Darcy Lylah Kai
Skyler Marty Zain Enzo Sue

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.

