



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 26th April 2024

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### EYFS

This week in EYFS we have continued to look at our book Supertato. The children have been sequencing the story using the vocabulary first, next and last. We also discussed the different parts of the story; beginning, middle and end, and how it helps us to order our story. Then as a class, we created a story map to help us remember what happened. In our writing books we have used all we learnt to retell the story in our own words.

In Maths this week the children have started to look at and name 3D shapes and what 2D shapes they can see. To investigate this, we used paint on the 3D shape to print on paper and discussed what the shape was left. We have also discussed odd and even number this week with the children identifying that even numbers have a flat top on a ten-frame

This week we have been continuing to look at Henri Matisse and his collages. The children have cut out 2D shapes to make their version of a snail. We explored different means of creating shapes; printing, drawing and rubbing a crayon over the top. We also went for our Spring Journey Stick walk and discussed what changes we have seen compared to Winter.



### Classroom News!

#### Year One & Two

This week we have been writing some diary entries in role as Aladdin. The children have been using great sentence structure and including adjectives to make their writing more interesting. In maths, we have started our new topic on fractions and the children have been learning about equal parts and halves. In art, we have been learning about tone and shade. How to mix colours and match them to a picture. In RE, the children have learnt about the Ascension of Jesus, thinking about how the disciples must have felt and what they may have said or done. In science, we enjoyed a nature walk in our forest school, looking at habitats and listing any creatures we found. Well done Year 1&2!

#### Year Three & Four

This week the children have continued to learn about Andy Warhol, they have found out lots of information about him and how he creates his images. The children have also started their Science topic about electricity, this week they learnt about the components of a circuit, what they were and what they were for. The children have continued to learn about fractions, how to find the equivalent fraction and compare fractions.

The children have been thinking about different tourist areas and are beginning to write a non-fiction information text.

#### Year Five & Six

This week the children have been introduced to their new English unit - Detective crime fiction - we investigated super sleuths that the children were aware of, such as Scooby Doo, Sherlock Holmes, Enola Holmes, etc. Then we solved the case of the missing bag using lots of evidence. It was a great success, and the children really enjoyed it. In mathematics the children have been discovering ratio - how these fit into our lives and how we can calculate ratio to help us with things like ingredients for a meal, making a drink, etc.

In RE, we have been exploring witnesses (disciples) and how they witnessed Jesus ascend into heaven during the resurrection. Our 'discover' topic for the term is art and we began exploring and researching Anya Paintsil, a Welsh Ghanian textile artist - the children enjoyed exploring her biography.



**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

Lexi  
Emmanuel  
Edward  
Ava-Grace

### Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Simie  
Grace  
Dimitrinka  
Kyla

### Attendance Award

**This weeks winners are: Year Five & Six**

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 88.6%

This week's overall attendance: 91.3%

**Well done everyone, we are over 90% attendance, let's try and get up to 95%.**

**66 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.**

<b>FSU</b>	84.%
<b>Year One &amp; Two</b>	90%
<b>Year Three &amp; Four</b>	90.4%
<b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>	<b>97.5%</b>

### 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

What a week we have had! We have been expecting Ofsted but did not expect them so early in the term. We had two inspectors visit the school, two on Tuesday and one on Wednesday. The inspectors were very professional and certainly knew their stuff! Both inspectors were very complimentary about the children, their manners, the way they spoke to the inspectors and to others within the school and how they were able to talk about their learning. I was extremely proud of every single one of them. The inspector is in the process of writing the report, which will be sent to Ofsted Quality Assurance Team, once they have expressed that they are happy with the report it will come to me to check and then I send it back to Ofsted. The process of this will take a number of weeks, the report will probably be ready to give to parents the week we return from May half term. I will say to parents that I am mighty proud to be a part of St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School and that I am proud to be part of a hard working team whose sole purpose is to support the children of our school and help them to be the best they can be.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham





## **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2023/24**

### **Gold Award (21/30 books)**

**Adin Zain Kai**

### **Silver Award (14/20 books)**

**Isak Madison Poppy Daniel Danny Michael Roza Lili  
Charley—Lea Benjamin Tia'Leigh Ria Aida Anaya Marty  
David**

### **Bronze Award— (7/10 books)**

**Madison-Evie Zak**

**Lexi May Grace Aron Max Hayley Emmanuel Katerina  
Ksenia Lilliana Michael Kaine Maycie Lexi  
Dimitrinka Peneolpe Coral Lylah Ava-Jo Skyler Kinga Tiana Catalin  
David Bobby Ella-Rose**

### **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.**

