



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

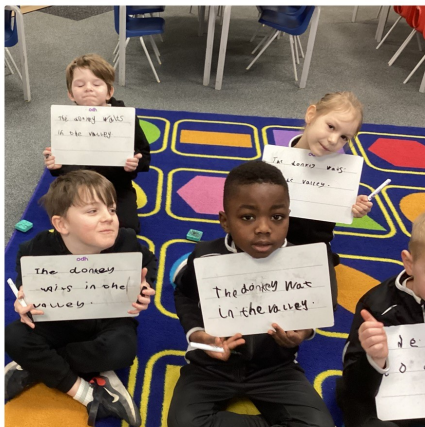
Friday 28th February 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year One & Two

What a lovely first week back in Year 1&2. In English, we started our new non-fiction unit on authors. This week we have looked at the author and illustrator, Debi Gliori. The children have written lots of interesting facts about her, joined sentences with 'and' and completed a fact file. In science, we have been identifying and naming some common animals. We went around the school grounds to see what animals and insects we could find. In geography, we have been learning about physical and human geographical features of cities, specifically London. In RE, we discussed how many people attend celebrations after mass. Why and what the celebrations may look like and the people who might be there. We also enjoyed our own end of topic celebration, enjoying biscuits and a chat with our friends.

Well done Year 1&2!



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Classroom News!

EYFS

We had a fantastic first week back with all the children ready for learning. On Monday a list appeared in our classroom, and we didn't know who it was from or what it was for! We went on a scavenger hunt around the classroom to find the items and discussed what they could be used for. We then, as a class, wrote our own shopping list; which the children then had a go at their own in continuous provision. In Maths, Nursery have been recapping all the things that they know about numbers up to 5; how to count them, show them on fingers and identify the numeral. In Reception the children explored length and height. We have done a lot of comparing with items around the classroom and used the language; taller shorter and longer. This week we have also looked at prepositions and what they mean. We used a teddy to do things like; put him on and under a table, in or out of the box.

Year Three & Four

Year 3 & 4 have started a new non-fiction English unit, based on the Romans. We began to glean information from different sources and reminded our selves of those grammar non-negotiables capital letters, full stops and commas. Along with the whole school, the children have begun assessments within the key areas of maths so we can get a good look at what we are doing well and what gaps there might still be that we can close. In geography, we looked at the different groups that settled in Sicily and the impact they had.

We found a connection to our English unit as the Romans had a huge influence. The weather was kind and we enjoyed a great cricket session outside batting and fielding, along side swimming and gymnastics we are loving PE.

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been very creative this week with their writing skills. The children have planned the final writing outcome, and they have included a variety of very interesting alien life forms, as well as very intriguing story lines. In RE, the children have explored the Eucharist and the role this plays in a catholic mass. They have also been exploring the beginnings of the Eucharist within the Bible story of the Last Supper.

In PE, the children had a lot of fun developing their cricket skills. Lancashire cricket came to school to help the children develop their skill set with the game and the enjoyment of the game. There was a lot of laughter and excitement for those who were scoring a 6. We have some very talented cricket players in the future. At swimming, the children also had a lot of fun, as they had to balance a float on their head and swim the length of the pool - the look of concentration of their faces was a sight to be seen.

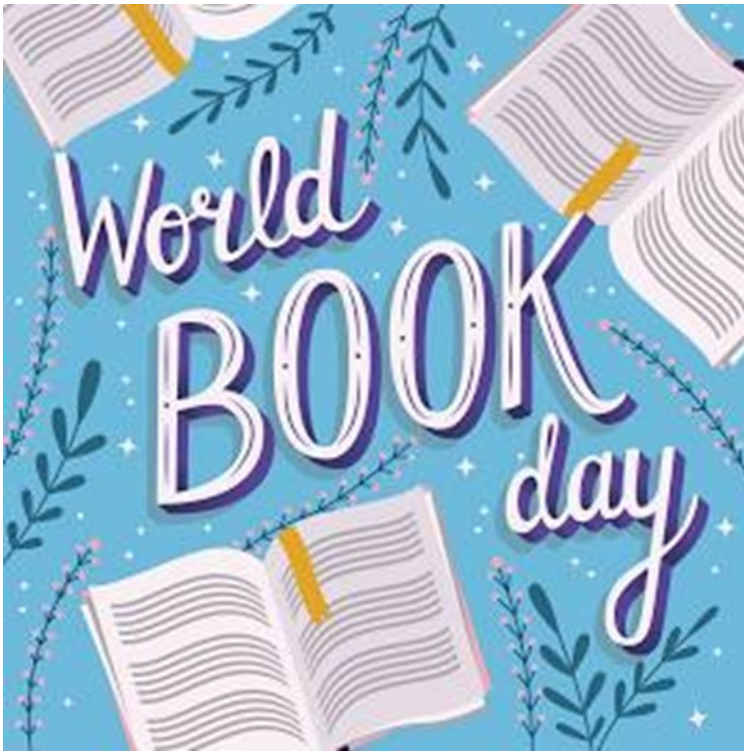
Many of the children have also received weekly certificates from Reading Plus. The children who are reading at home, as well as school, are receiving certificates to celebrate when the children have moved to a new level and if the children have improved their reading fluency (speed).



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



Events Next Week!



World Book Day

Monday 3rd March 2025

Heroes and Villians

Children are encouraged to dress up as a hero or a villain from their favourite book.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday

Shrove Tuesday

Pancake Day



Ash Wednesday

The beginning of Lent.

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

Grace

Kyla

Rory

Enzo

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Tia'Leigh

Simie

Elsie-May

Daniel

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Three and Four

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 73.8%

This week's overall attendance: 87.8%

55 children have been in school every day and on time. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU	86.3%	2
Year One & Two	85.8%	3
Year Three & Four	91.4%	5
Year Five & Six	90.43%	2

Isaac S

have 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 hot chocolate ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five tickets they will win hot chocolate and a movie for the class.

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely welcoming the children back to school this week. I hope you all had a lovely break.

Just to remind you it is World Book Day on Monday. The children are encouraged to come to school as a Hero or as a Villain from their favourite book. We look forward to seeing the children in their outfits on Monday.

I just wanted to remind you that it is now government policy that if a child is taken out of school for 5 days—10 sessions or more for a family holiday, then it is the law that school will need to fine the parents. We do have it written into our policy that if children are taken out of school but have an attendance of 96% and above, school will take the decision not to fine. For those parents who take them out of school for 5 days and their attendance is below 96% they will be fined and the fine is £160 per child per parent. This means that parents could be facing a collective fine of £360 per child. Mrs Henderson sends regular emails to all parents informing them of their child's attendance so that all parents know their child's attendance. Just to remind you school is closed from 1st May to the 5th May to support families in taking their children on holiday.

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>

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



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Kai Ria Zain Zak Coral

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Michael A Alicja Kamsi Paddy Lexi-May David B Penelope

Matthew Emanuel Isaac S Max L Rueben C Hayley Daniel L

Ignacy David F Kate Sue Matthew Ben Penelope

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.

