



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year One & Two

Year 1& 2 have had a great week! In English we have been writing character descriptions, using conjunctions in our sentences and have really enjoyed some drama to help us remember our story in preparation for writing our own innovated story versions. In maths, we have been adding and subtracting two-digit numbers together. This has been quite tricky but we have showed great determination and resilience and have not given up. As our geography topic is coming to an end, we had a great afternoon on Wednesday when we went out onto the school field drawing and creating our own directional maps. We even felt confident enough to create our own map keys. In RE, we have been learning about the Stations of the Cross and the events of Good Friday and Easter Sunday. We planted some seeds to help us remember that the resurrection of Jesus is an example of new life. PE has definitely been a highlight this week with the children enjoying batting and fielding on Wednesday in cricket. On Thursday, we had a wonderful time swinging and climbing on the school hall climbing apparatus. We did some brilliant monkey bar work and were able to demonstrate all of the amazing balancing, travelling and jumping skills we have learnt over the last few weeks. Well done on another great week Year 1&2!



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Classroom News!

EYFS

There has been a lot happening in EYFS this week. The most exciting thing has been the arrival of our duck eggs and then the hatching of the ducklings. The children have been learning about the duck life cycle, the different parts of a duckling and what other animals lay eggs. In Literacy we have continued to look at our non-fiction text about sunflowers and we have been speaking about the parts of the plant and what they are for. They all have a job, just like the different parts of our body. In Maths, in Reception, we have been looking at number bond to ten and trying to remember the different ways. Then we also looked at doubles to ten; knowing that a double is two of the same number added together. In Nursery we have been looking at capacity and using the words: full, nearly full, empty and nearly empty to describe different amounts in containers. We have also been using cups to fill the containers and guessing how many it would take. We have also been looking at floating and sinking. Experimenting with different classroom items to see which would float or sink. Then, we used the loose parts to see how many it would take to sink the boats.

Year Three & Four

In maths this week, Year 3 & 4 have taken the grid method a step further by multiplying a 3 digit number by a 1 digit number. The children have done extremely well following the steps to find the end product. In English, we collated facts about Roman gods and goddesses for our leaflet. The children have planned their leaflets so we are ready to complete them and get them up on display. In geography, the children investigated the litter situation around the school area, they categorised the litter and created a tally chart. They were quite shocked by the amount of sweet wrappers and cans they found. It was lovely celebrating the children's successes this week in parents evening, as there is plenty to celebrate.

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been very busy once again this week. The children have had their weekly swimming lesson, and they had a wonderful time. Next week's lesson requires the children to wear pyjamas or shorts and T-shirt for their lifesaving skills. I will put the information on SeeSaw.

In Geography, the children have been developing their knowledge and understanding of the transport system and how accessible this is in and around Skelmersdale. The children completed this work with a fieldwork visit to the Concourse Shopping Center, to ask the public's feeling on this matter also. The children were very well behaved and very polite when addressing the public. In English, the children have planned and developed their invention narrative, and they are well under way, using a word processor, to type it up.



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

Michael S

Emmanuel

Eva

Harlem

Growing Together in God's Family Award

Alex

Ronin

Coral

Max Mc

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Five and Six

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 86.7%

This week's overall attendance: 92.2%

60 children have got 100% attendance. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.
Year Five and Six have managed 96.9%, therefore they have won their final golden ticket and will be having hot chocolate and a movie next week.

	This week's attendance	Cups of Hot Chocolate so far
FSU	91.3%	3
Year One & Two	91%	4
Year Three & Four	93.3%	5
Year Five & Six	96.9%	5

Max L

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 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

We have created a new Facebook page which teachers will begin to inform you of things which have been going on in school. School is a very busy place and we are lucky to have lots of fantastic things happening. This week we have had our Pupil Parliament children visiting a historical centre in Preston, they found out lots of things about Skelmersdale. We have had Lancashire Adult Learning in school this week, parents were invited to join us in creating Easter crafts. The children and adults enjoyed it. Our KS2 children have also been completing their Geography field work, Year Three and Four collected rubbish in the local area to understand the importance of not dropping litter and Year Five and Six went to the Con-course to discuss the transport system with the public. The teachers have put pictures on Facebook so you can see what they have achieved.

<https://www.facebook.com/StEdmundsCatholicPrimarySchool/>

I would be grateful if you could share our posts so that more parents in the areas get to find out how fantastic St. Edmund's is which includes our beautiful children. We had some children return to our school this week and the children in this school certainly welcomed them back. All children older and younger looked after the children and made sure they knew what they needed to do which was lovely to see.

The dates of the Easter celebrations are on the final page. Please come and support us. We will be having a short collective worship each morning to remember the Stations of the Cross. The collective worship will last approx. 20 minutes per day. All parents are encouraged to stay.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Attendance Drive

This week children are encouraged to come into school every day on time. Those children who do will receive a special treat from the sweet box.

Let's see if every child can get a special treat.

50 children have gained a treat week—How many will it be next week?

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>



MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a Fundraiser Movie night for Families and friends of 42nd Ormskirk Skelmersdale St Paul's Scout with all proceeds going to Red Rose Canada 2026

Only £3 Per person !

Tickets available to buy from Lorraine / Lisa at Scouts

Where ?
St. Paul's Church

When ?
Fri 4th April, 6pm Start

Hot Dog Included in price

Tuck Shop, Popcorn and more available to purchase on the night !

Bring your own Blanket and Pillow !



Easter Celebrations

Easter Bonnet Competition for EYFS/KS1

The children in EYFS and KS1 will be encouraged to decorate an Easter Bonnet at home and bring it into school. The children will take part in an Easter Bonnet parade and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Egg Decorating Competition for KS2

The children in KS2 will be encouraged to decorate a hard boiled egg at home and bring it into school. The children will present their egg and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

Easter Raffle

Tickets will be available shortly for our Easter Raffle. Children will be able to buy a strip for £1 and if they win they will be able to select an Easter Egg. Proceeds will go towards our school fund.

CAFOD Fundraising

On Wednesday 2nd April, the children will be taking part in a Sponsored Skip or Dance. We will then have a preloved sale after school. Monies raised from this will be donated to CAFOD as part of our Lent almsgiving.

Date	Event	Who
31st March/1st/2nd/3rd/4th April Each morning at 9.00 am Monday—Mrs Nickson Tuesday— Mrs Rowlands Wednesday—Mrs Mitchell Thursday—Mrs Buckley Friday—Mrs Birmingham	Stations of the Cross School Hall	Whole School Community
Wednesday 2nd April 2025	Sponsored Skip and Dance	All children
Wednesday 2nd April 2025 2.30 pm	Preloved Sale	Whole School Community
Wednesday 2nd April 2025 Lunch Time	Easter Lunch	All children
Thursday 3rd April 2025 2.00 pm	The Easter Children by Year Three and Four	Parents of Year Three and Four
Thursday 3rd April 2025	Easter Bonnet Competition	EYFS/KS1
Thursday 3rd April 2025	Easter Egg Decorating Competition	KS2
Friday 4th April 2025 1.30 pm	Celebration Assembly— Attendance/ Raffle/House Points/Results of Easter Bonnet/Egg competition.	Whole School Community Those families who attend the Celebration will be able to take their children home afterwards.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Ria Zain Zak

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Kai Coral Penelope David F

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Michael A Alicja Kamsi Paddy Lexi-May David B

Matthew Emanuel Isaac S Max L Rueben C Hayley Daniel L

Ignacy Kate Sue Matthew Ben

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.

