

# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

## **This Weeks Spotlight!**

#### **EYFS**

We have had an exciting two weeks in FSU. It all started with the arrival of our eggs last week. We have spoken about the different stages of the life cycle and different vocabulary around hatching. We have also been discussing what chicks need to grow and what us humans need to grow. We have watched our six chicks grow and they are now very big. Each day we have recorded this in our chick diaries. We are sad to see them leave but we have had lots of fun!

































# More pictures for our chicks!







#### Classroom News!

Year One & Two

This week we have been writing the ending to our Traction Man stories. I have really enjoyed reading them and seeing the characters, problems and resolutions that the children have created. We have also started to learn about instruction writing and even wrote our own dance moves. In Maths, we have been creating equal groups and dividing by 2. On Monday we enjoyed a taste test for our healthy eating brief in Design and Technology and on Wednesday we started to design our own salads. During RE, we have been learning about Holy days, what they are and when we celebrate them. Well done Year 1&2 for another fantastic week!

Year Three & Four This week in Year 3/4, we have been exploring the Pentecost. The children have been using extracts from the bible to help them to develop a deeper understanding of what the Pentecost means to the Christian community. In Science, we have been learning about the different bones in our bodies and some of the particular functions of them. While in Maths, we have been tackling lots of different fraction problems. On Thursday, we were very lucky to be able to pop down to FSU to see their chicks. We had lots of fun playing and holding them, while Mrs Mitchell shared lots of interesting facts with us. Well done on another brilliant week, team! Enjoy the long weekend!

Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have been ultra creative this week... We have developed actions and tone of voice for our English unit based upon Macbeth and act them out and they have read three versions of the text, including the original. In our sessions, they have been adding their own ideas to the dialogue and researching modern versions of the language used in a 400 year old play-script (the children's ideas were hilarious). We also had a visit from Commando Craig this week. The children had to navigate around the hall full of obstacles blindfolded and follow instructions from their partner, to help build up trust, work as a team and communicate - fun was had by all!

In Design Technology, the children have been taste tasting protein bars to find the best taste, healthiest ingredients and the most appealing in packaging. Also, the children have decided on their own personal sports personality, who they will make the protein bar for. They completed research of current products on the market and sketched them.

In Mathematics, we have been going decimal crazy! The children have been multiply and dividing decimals by 10, 100, 1000, as well as finding fraction and percentage equivalents for a fraction.



This week's house point winner is: **Anderson** 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

#### Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Caia Miller-Keegan Ava-Grace Wilde

Iga Nolbert Skyler Davies

Josie Pike Khaidyn Miller Keegan

Aron Sorel Grace Galligan

#### Attendance Award

#### This weeks winners are: Year One & Two

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 89.1% This week's overall attendance: 87.2%

This week 58 have had 100% attendance. Their names will be in the draw at the end of the term. Well done children.

Our attendance could be a little bit better, please encourage the children to come to school unless they are really poorly.

FSU	90.7%
Year One & Two	92.8%
Year Three & Four	80.5%
Year Five & Six	89.7%

## 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**

'Commando Joe (Craig)' came in to school and worked with all year groups. The children were involved in activities which involved problem solving and using skills such as resilience and critical thinking. The worker who came into school was very complimentary about our children, how they had listened well to his instructions and had approached the activities positively.

At the bottom of the page and I have added a table which explains what is happening each day next week and which children are expected in school. I know this is a difficult time in terms of strike days and inset days, I can only apologise for the disruption.

A letter has been sent out today about our plans for the Coronation. We will begin the day with a cake competition, 'The Great Family Bake Off'. Each family is encouraged to bake a cake for the competition. The cakes will be judged on what they look like and their taste. The family which wins the competition will received a £10 voucher for Asda, second place will win a £5 voucher. The cakes will be brought home at the end of the day.

In the morning, the children will learn about King Charles and the Coronation. The children will complete Coronation themed activities in the classroom.

During lunch time, the children will be able to eat their lunch on the field, weather permitting.

In the afternoon, we will be having a 'Coronation Party', we have hired an entertainer for the afternoon who will provide a disco, games and magic.

We would ask parents to provide a £1 donation which will be used to pay for the entertainer. I am hoping it will be a lovely day.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Birmingham

Date	Event	Attendance at school
Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday	No children attending school
Tuesday 2nd May	NEU Strike	In school: EYFS—Year Three/Four Not in school: Year One/Two—Year
Wednesday 3rd May		All children in school
Thursday 4th May	INSET DAY	No children attending school
Friday 5th May	Coronation Celebration	All children in school



# **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2022/23**

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Anaya Kai

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Ria Zak Michael Zain Katerina

**Bronze Award— (7/10 books)** 

David B Henry David F Matthew

Ksenia Penelope Zain Aron Maycie

Ava-Grace

#### 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.

