



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th March 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3 and 4 has been another busy and productive one. In Maths, we have been comparing fractions and exploring equivalent fractions, and we will continue developing our understanding of fractions next week. All the children are continuing to build up their times table knowledge which was particularly evident with the Year 4s who performed brilliantly in a mock MTC test with Mrs Birmingham.

In English, we have been learning about 'determiners' in grammar, understanding that they come before a noun, and we have read and analysed a range of explanation texts about climate change before creating our own plans for writing next week.

Celebrating World Book Day on Tuesday brought lots of excitement, all the children looked amazing. We enjoyed a fun trip to our local library, and the Year 4 children had the wonderful opportunity to read their Wallace and Gromit stories to the Year 2 class. It was lovely to see their hard work pay off and the joy on the younger children's faces as they listened to the stories.

Swimming was another highlight this week. It was fantastic to be back in the pool and see all the children giving 100% effort. Confidence is growing, and it has been exciting to watch children progress from the smaller pool to the larger pool and move from lane one to lane two.

In Science, we investigated evaporation and set up an experiment to see how much water evaporates from wet tea towels at different temperatures. The children had to think carefully about how to set up the test and ensure it was a fair comparison.

Finally, our Easter play is really coming together. We have now walked through the parts, most lines have been learnt, and we are working hard on the lyrics for the songs. I am especially impressed with our brave soloists!

Have a great weekend everyone!



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Classroom News!

- EYFS** We have had a lovely week in EYFS. In literacy, we have been reading our new story, The Scarecrows' Wedding. In maths, we have been exploring height and comparing how tall different objects are. We also enjoyed celebrating World Book Day and had lots of fun dressing up as our favourite book characters.
- Year One & Two** We have had a lovely week in year 1 and 2 with lots of fun activities. We started the week with our class visit to Skelmersdale library. All the children enjoyed the visit and behaviour was beautiful. Tuesday, we celebrated world book day. The children looked wonderful in their outfits and it was great to see the effort everyone had put in. We had lots of fun activities throughout the day including, designing and creating our own monster, designing a new book cover for our class story The owl who was Afraid of the Dark and we enjoyed reading lots of books. Our class especially enjoyed the visit from Mrs Rowlands from year 3/4 who read Peter Rabbit. Wednesday, we had the best afternoon in our outdoor learning session. The children really loved being in the fresh air climbing and den making. Lots of the children made some fabulous mud pies in the mud kitchen. Apologies if anyone came home overly muddy, but it was such good fun!
- Year Five & Six** Year 5/6 have had another busy week this week. On Monday, we began our new writing unit based upon older literature: the children will be studying Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare this term. We continued the week with World Book Day on Tuesday - all of our class looked amazing (many of the photographs are on Facebook). On Wednesday we continue with our knowledge and understanding of decimals in mathematics. The children are becoming proficient with identifying the value of decimals and they have also begun to round decimals to the nearest whole number and decimals place.
- Our Science topic began by the children looking at the planets in our solar system. Each child had the opportunity to develop a fact file about the planets. On Wednesday afternoon, the children took a trip to the library, where they completed orienteering to look for a range of clues hidden around the library.



**This week's house point winners are:
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

Darcy

Blake

Rory

Igor

Growing Together in God's Family

David

Aaliyah

Tia-Leigh

Max L

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: FSU

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 85.8%

This week's overall attendance: 96%

65 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

	This week's attendance	Cinema tickets so far
FSU	100%	2
Year One & Two	94.7%	1
Year Three & Four	94.7%	1
Year Five & Six	96.7%	2

Well done

Archie

For winning our weekly attendance award. You have won a £5 voucher.

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 golden ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five pieces golden tickets they will receive a movie and hot chocolate experience for the class.

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for supporting our school on World Book Day. The children's costumes were amazing, all following the theme of the 'classics'. There were some amazing choices. Thank you to the teachers for organising the activities for the children all based around the theme of books. I also thank Mrs Buckley for organising the day, library visits and the lovely assembly. It was great day had by all.

We continue with our Lenten events next week. We are having a onesie and pyjama day on Tuesday. Children are encouraged to bring in a £1 which will be given to CAFOD to help others.

The children have been enjoying their handwriting sessions and there has already been an improvement across the school. Parents do not be afraid to correct your children when they are holding a pencil wrong. The hold is very important and will help them with their formation of letters.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

Don't Forget



**Next Week – Tuesday
Pyjama or Onesie Day**



Everyone is invited into school wearing Pyjamas or Onesies.

If you wear pyjamas or a onesie you will need to bring in £1. This money will be used to help others in other countries who are poorer than us. It will be given to:

CAFOD

This is part of our Lenten preparations.

Skelmersdale FUSS



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Free **U**niform**S** for **S**chool

Recycled high-quality primary school uniforms completely FREE for EVERYONE

Please donate your outgrown primary uniforms in our donation drums in school and we will give them away to local families

Request online under the 'What do you need?' heading on our website

Crow Orchard, Kingsbury, St Edmund's, St Richard's & Trinity

www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk

Our secondary school hub is at Trinity Methodist/URC Church, High Street, Skelmersdale WN8 8AT, Wednesdays 10-12pm



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We would like to thank the ladies from Skem FUSS who came in on Wednesday and helped support our school community with new and preloved uniform, it was a great success. If anyone missed the event and is in need of some uniform please go to the website www.skelmersdalefuss.co.uk and contact them directly with what you need.

St Edmunds are hoping to hold another event in the summer.
Please donate any old/unneeded uniform to the Skem FUSS 'bin' in the foyer near the office.



Our Reading Celebration Wall 2025/6

Gold Award (21/30 books)

Ria

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Grace David F Zak Igor Aron Harlem Kamsi
Zain Darcy Enzo Kai Marty Tianna Anaya
Kinga Aida

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

Lylah Skyler Sue Harper B Paddy Mc Caroline-Catherine
Matthew Penelope Ava-Jo Benjamin Elouise
Edward

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.

