



St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th February 2026

This Weeks Spotlight!

EYFS

This week Reception have been learning about number and they have looked at the composition of the numbers 6,7 and 8. Using loose parts the children explored different ways to make the numbers 6,7 and 8. The children have also practised finding one more and one less and they sang the nursery rhyme 'One Man went to Mow' and used unifix cubes to build towers to show one more. Nursery this week, have continued to look at shapes and they have described everyday objects using the vocabulary pointy, flat and curved. They have also compared shapes and found two shapes that were both curved or flat.

In literacy the Reception and Nursery children have continued to look at the story the Queen's Hat and we have been creating our own sentences for the story using local landmarks. The children had lots of fun using actions to practise saying their sentences before drawing pictures to help them remember each of the words in their sentences.

This week Pre-school have enjoyed looking at the story 'Oh Dear' by Rod Campbell and they had lots of fun using paint and sponge stamps to create prints of the farm animals in the story. They also enjoyed listening to and singing the songs 'Old MacDonald Had A Farm' and 'Five Little Ducks Went Swimming One Day'.

The children also had fun during their second session at Forest School with Mrs Fletcher and they enjoyed digging in the mud and learning about all the plants and vegetables growing in our Forest School classroom.

Keep up the good work FSU!



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Year Five and Six Spotlight!

Year 5/6 had another very busy week. The children have been exploring the setting of a scene within a multitude of classic fiction texts; this week we have look at The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. The children had to build a bank of words to describe the scene where Edward comes out of the wardrobe into the snowy scenes of Narnia. Each child wrote a descriptive setting, using metaphorical language, adjectives and noun phrases to build atmosphere in the scene. In mathematics, the children have returned to their favourite aspects of the maths curriculum - fractions! They are all very confident in adding and subtracting fractions, we are now moving on to multiplying fraction and whole numbers together.

Our Geography topic has been exploring weather zones this week. The children have discovered that the world has different temperature zones and these are affected by the position of the earth and the equator, as well as the tropics. The Everglades is within a sub-tropical climate zone, due to the heat and the humidity of the region.

The excitement has reached fever pitch this week in our class, as we have had children represent the school for the swimming gala, not forgetting our Year 4 child also. The children beat all the other schools to secure first place - what a fantastic achievement. Not only that, the children have also visited the CO-OP Live arena on Thursday to participate in the Young Voices 2026.



Classroom News!

Year One & Two We have had a great week in year 1 / 2 this week. In our English we have started reading our new story, The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark. The children have been thinking about what dark means to them and how it makes them feel. In Maths we have moved on to adding and subtracting within 100 and have been using our base 10s to help us. Science is still all about animals and this week we have been thinking about the human body and the 5 senses. It's been a busy but fun week.

Year Three & Four Year 3/4 have had a fantastic time recently – working hard, making great progress and, most importantly, having lots of fun along the way. We are especially proud of the super effort the children are putting into their times tables and Reading Plus, showing real determination to improve. The Young Voices concert was truly the icing on the cake – an unforgettable experience that the children thoroughly enjoyed and represented the school brilliantly.



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

Growing Together in God's Family

Reuben

Harper

Matthew

Max

Kamsi

Victoria

Paisley-Mae

Tia'leigh

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year Five/Six

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 85.5%

This week's overall attendance: 90.5%

59 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.

This week's attendance

Cinema tickets so far

FSU	95.75	3
Year One & Two	79.5%	0
Year Three & Four	89.5%	0
Year Five & Six	97.8%	5

Well done

Clayton

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

What a week! Thank you to all our staff who have made 'magical things' happen this week.

We participated in the SHARES Swimming Gala on Tuesday evening. We had ten excellent swimmers who performed to the best of their ability and certainly achieved. The school won first place and received a fantastic trophy. I have never seen children swim so fast. We were very proud of them. Well done children.



On Thursday night, our KS2 children took part in the Young Voices Concert in Manchester. The children had an excellent time singing with all the other children around the country. Mrs Rowlands tells me all of the children behaved well and made her very proud. Well done children.

Please look at Facebook for videos of the children taking part.



Thank you to Mrs Henderson, Mrs Rowlands, Mrs Wild for organising the events and to Mrs Buckley, Mrs Beeley, Mrs Fletcher and Miss Holmes for attending the events. We appreciate it.

Skelmersdale FUSS



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Free UniformS for School

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

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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)

Grace David F Ria Zak Igor Aron Harlem Kamsi

Silver Award (14/20 books)

Anaya Darcy Lylah Kai Skyler Marty Zain Enzo Sue
Harper B Paddy Mc
Caroline-Catherine

Bronze Award— (7/10 books)

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.

