



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th June 2025

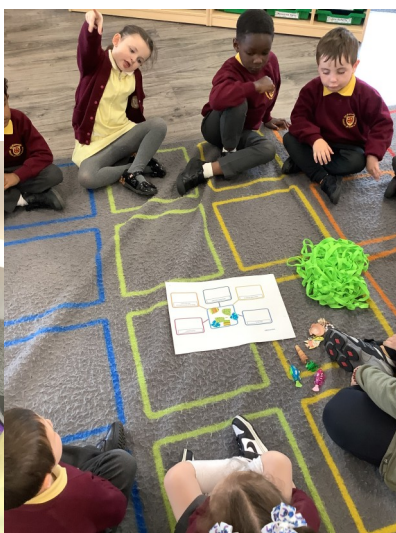
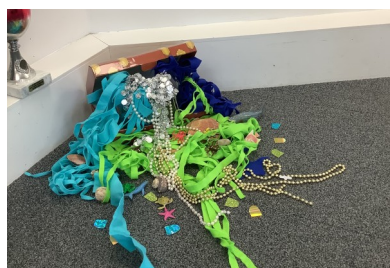
## This Weeks Spotlight!

### EYFS

What an exciting first week back we have had. On Monday a mysterious treasure chest appears in the classroom full of things from the ocean. We discussed who could have left it there and why. To help us with our vocabulary, we used a word map to help us describe what we had found in the treasure chest, where we might see and how it may be used. We also read the poem Commotion in the Ocean and created actions for the poem to help us remember it. For our writing, Reception children looked at an ocean scene and used their fantastic sounding out to write sentences describing the scene.

For Maths this week in Reception we have started working on number sentences and how they help us add numbers and take away numbers from each other. We used cubes and first, next and then boards to support us in using number sentences. In Nursey, the children have been recapping their knowledge of sequencing and positioning. The children used position cards to put the teddy in different places around the chair.

We have also started our new Art topic of primal painting. We looked at different samples of primal painting; using a hammer to press flowers and spices with water and the different effects they have. We also sang our colour mixing rhyme to help us remember what colours we mix to make new ones.



## Classroom News!

**Year One & Two** What a great first week back in Year 1&2! We have started our new art topic on 'Kente Cloth'. The children learnt about what it is and who might wear it. They enjoyed creating their own patterns and colouring them in using colours to represent different meanings. We also started our new design and technology topic on 'pop up books' we looked at some books made by our designer Robert Sabuda and we are very excited to learn how to make some pop ups of our own over the next few weeks. In English, we have been writing sentences and learning how to edit our work and in maths we have been learning about half and quarter fractions. In science, we enjoyed planting some seeds and in RE we discussed how to say sorry and ask for forgiveness like Levi did. Well done Year 1&2!

**Year Three & Four** In Maths, this week we have started to look at decimals, specifically tenths 0.1 and hundredths 0.01. The children have tackled this well and we continue with this maths topic into next week. The year 4 students have been working hard for their MTC next week. We have practiced the test plenty of times and the children are well prepared. In English, we have started one of my favourite books, 'The Spider & the fly'. We have made predictions about what will happen and deciphered the old language used. I look forward to the next few weeks as we delve deeper into this classic poem and work towards creating our own narrative based on it. Our new DT and Art projects are underway. In DT, we are looking at making healthy pizzas and in Art the children are studying a German artist famous for his sketching and sculptures.

**Year Five & Six** Year 5/6 have been completing their final writing assignment within our inventors and inventions unit. The children have developed their own invention and composed an explanation text describing the machine in detail. Also, within this piece of writing the children also included a complex sentence using a relative pronoun and using parenthesis to add detail. In mathematics, the children have been exploring measuring the area inside a range of shapes. They have been looking at using a formula and applying it to calculate the area.

In DT, the children have begun exploring an entomologist named Charles Rothschild. He is the inspiration behind the study of insects and developing suitable habitats for them. The children will be developing their own bug hotel. Finally, the children are very excited about our new end of year performance, 'The Pirates of the Curry Bean'. They have had the opportunity to read through scene one and develop their character a little.



**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**

Mmamma

Michael G

Kamsiyochi

Ria

#### **Growing Together in God's Family Award**

Caroline Catherine

Reuben

Harper

Michael S

#### **Attendance Award**

**This weeks winners are: Y3/4**

The winning class receives an extra playtime

Last week's overall attendance: 88.3%

This week's overall attendance: 93.3%

**62 children have got 100% attendance. Well done children you will be in the attendance draw.**

**FOMO winners: Year Five/Six**

	This week's attendance	Summer Picnic Ticket
<b>FSU</b>	94.3%	3
<b>Year One &amp; Two</b>	88%	2
<b>Year Three &amp; Four</b>	96.2%	3
<b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>	95%	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 92% each week, will gain a Summer Picnic ticket and if they are the first two classes to collect five tickets they will win a summer picnic and games on the field for their class.

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to school. I hope you have had a lovely half term break. Attendance this week has been excellent. We would like to continue this trend by encouraging our children through the 'FOMO' attendance drive. FOMO stands for 'Fear Of Missing Out'. Mrs Henderson is going to be giving out random attendance treats to children. If a class has a 100% that day, they may receive an award in the form of either an extra play on the adventure playground or a sweet treat. The children will not know what day it will be given, so they must make sure they are in school.

We hosted our first parent and toddler group on Tuesday. All parents with children who are 2 and under can attend. We have some lovely toys for the children to play with and we provide tea and coffee as well. Parents whose children do not attend the school are welcome to, so please tell your family and friends.

We have been awarded some funding through a number of charities for our KS1 playground. We will be having a snakes and ladders game painted on both of our playgrounds and a timber sports wall in the KS1 playground. When they have been completed I will make you aware of the charities who have donated.

I will be finalising dates for the end of term, next week, so I will be sending out the date sheet for your fridges. Please look out for it.

I hope this you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham

## **Reminder**

**Just a gentle reminder in relation to holidays:**

**If you want to take your child out of school for a holiday if their attendance is 96% or above, you will not be fined.**

**If the time the children are absent for is 4 and a half days within a 10 week period, you will not be fined.**

**If you take your child out of school and their attendance is below 96% or they are absent for more than 4 and a half days within a 10 week period, you will be fined. If you are away for 3 days and then 2 days at a separate occasion within a 10 week period you will be fined. Most schools will fine even if a child's attendance is over 96%. We at, St. Edmund's, have made the decision not to fine if a child's attendance is 96% or above because we want to work with parents.**

## **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>





# Flourish as a St. Edmund's Sunflower

**Come and grow with our Scandinavian approach toddler group.**

**All parents with children 0-2 years are welcome.**

**Tuesday 1.45 pm - 3.15 pm**



Toys



Friends



Snacks



Chat

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## **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2024/5**

### **Gold Award (21/30 books)**

**Ria Zain Zak**

### **Silver Award (14/20 books)**

**Kai Coral Penelope David F Emanuel Max L Kamsi**

**Hayley**

### **Bronze Award— (7/10 books)**

**Michael A Alicja Paddy Lexi-May David B**

**Matthew Isaac S Rueben C Daniel L**

**Ignacy Kate Sue Matthew Ben Hughie**

### **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.**

