

St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 7th January 2022

This Weeks Spotlight!

Year Five & Six

Welcome back to school, Year Five and Six. We have had a busy week, the children have started to explore the short film, Piano. They will be thinking about flashbacks and how in the film the creator uses lighting, gestures and other techniques to encourage the audience to watch. We have started to investigate fractions and find out what we know ready to complete our unit on fractions. We have started swimming again and this terms PE subject is Athletics.





Classroom News!

FSU	The children have had a fantastic week back at school. They were very excited to tell us about their Christmas. We had a special present left by Father Christ- mas in our classroom. We had to use clues to discover what was inside the pre- sent. We did very good guessing and found a fluffy penguin and a story called 'Penguin', that we have enjoyed listening to this week.	
Year One & Two	It has been lovely having the children back in school following the Christmas break. We have enjoyed writing recounts about our Christmas day in English and we have shared some of the lovely gifts we received in our 'show and tell' time. In Maths, we have been learning about sharing and grouping and in RE we have been learning about The Bible and why it is so important to Christians.	
Year Three & Four	This week in Year 3/4 we have begun our new unit "Vive le France". We've started off our unit by exploring French artist Monet. On Tuesday, we attempted our own Monet inspired paintings of a scenery. While on Friday, we spent our afternoon sketching and rendering with pastels. In Maths, we have been mastering formal multiplication. While in English, we have started our new text, "Madame Pamplemousse and her Incredible Edibles". It's been a very busy four day working week for Year 3/4 but we are all excited to see what next week brings!	
This weeks winning house team 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

Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Ava-Jo Davies	Aron Sorel
Tyler James	Kai Gudimani
Paddy McGrady	Ronin Mercer
Iga Nolbert	Gracie Berry

Attendance Award

This weeks winners are: Year 3 & 4

The winning class receives an extra playtime. This week's overall attendance: 96.15%

Reminder: Over 95% this week, well done everyone!

FSU	96.4%
Year One & Two	95.2%
Year Three & Four	98.5%
Year Five & Six	94.5%

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**

It certainly has been an interesting week with our flood and COVID. The flood issue has now been resolved and the school is beginning to smell a lot better. Thank goodness. Thank you for being so understanding of our school closure but it was unsafe to have children in school with grey water in parts of the school which stopped access to various areas. I would like to thank Mrs Wild and Mrs Worrall for their work in ensuring the issue was dealt with in an efficient way.

We have begun assessing the children in relation to their social and emotional being using the 'Thrive Approach', staff have been using staff meeting time to assess and will create an action plan next week, which will be implemented into their daily teaching. The approach is excellent and I am sure it will support our young people in their recovery from lockdown and COVID.

As part of our new behaviour policy, we have introduce social time and if a child has not adhered to the rules of the school 'Ready, Respect and Safe', they will miss 2 minutes of their social time at the end of the day. We have introduced a recording system for this which teachers will hand to me at the end of each week. If there are children in the class who are consistently missing their social time, I will be having a discussion about their behaviour with their parents. It is really important that all children follow the rules and understand there is a consequence to their actions. I would be very grateful for your support in this matter because I want the school to be a safe and happy place where children are able to learn. We all want the best for all our children and this means working together as a team.

Please ensure that you have read the documentation about school closure in relation to snow and COVID, they have been sent out during the week.

We will be starting our building work soon, there will be disruption to school life but this is for a better outcome. I am really excited about the building work. I will be send out information at the beginning of next week about how we will organise access to the school and where classes will be moved to. Please be patient with us at this time, something I know you will be.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and please keep safe.

Mrs Birmingham

Class Photographs

Class photographs will be taking place on Tuesday. Each child will have photograph taken with their class and teacher.