



# St. Edmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

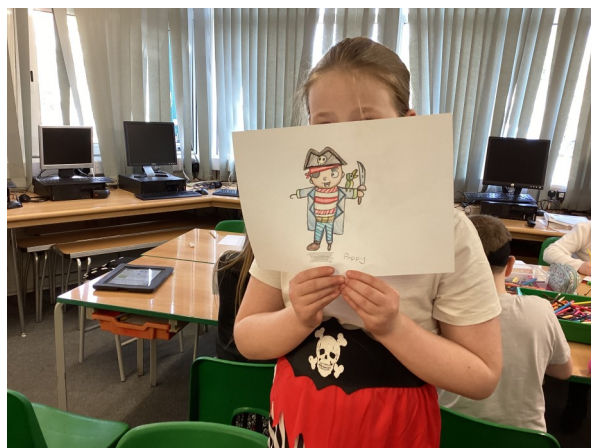
Friday 8th March 2024

## This Weeks Spotlight!

### Year Five & Six

Year 5/6 have had a fabulous week this week. We began the week with research on lots of scientists who gave us theories and the planets and space in the 1700s. Tuesday, we celebrated World Book Day - we have the most wonderful pirates and the most beautiful princesses. The children enjoyed a range of activities on the day; we completed some world book day coordinates and cracking the code. All of which the children had to use their mathematics skills to solve the problems. We also had an art lesson, drawing pirates and pirate ship from the book, *The Pirates Underpants*. Well done everyone!

Year 5/6 have also developed their geographical skills this week, as the children have identified the climate in the Everglades and described how this helps the people who live there and the wildlife. Finally, in RE the children have discussed the Eucharistic prayer and prayers for unity and peace. The children have completed their own unity prayers.



### Classroom News!

#### EYFS

This week in EYFS we have been Pirates. Using our new book Billy and the Pirates we talked about what makes a good pirate and created our own wanted posters. Reception even described their pirate on the wanted poster, using and to link sentences. In Maths the children have looked at height and length. We have been using comparative language; taller, shorter and longer. The children have also planted their potatoes, hopefully they will start to grow soon. On Friday we have been learning all about chicks to prepare us for our special delivery on Monday!

#### Year One & Two

What a great week! We enjoyed World Book Day on Tuesday; it was a fun filled day with lots of pirate and princess themed activities. In geography, this week we have been choosing our favourite part of the Australian town of Port Douglas. We wrote about the things we would like to see if we visited and the reasons why. In maths, we started our new topic on 'measurement' we will be learning more about how to measure height and width over the next couple of weeks. In English, we have been writing about thoughts and feelings in role as the Highway Rat and his horse. In science, we have been learning about eating a healthy, balanced diet which includes all of the food groups. Well done Year 1&2!

#### Year Three & Four

This week in Year 3/4, we've been learning about the Water Cycle. The children have been looking at how evaporation, condensation and precipitation allows the continuation of this cycle - we even learnt how we could be drinking dinosaur pee! On Tuesday, we all took part in World Book Day. We took part in lots of different activities based around our focus text Pirate Blunderbeard - the children all looked amazing in their costumes. While on Wednesday, we continued to learn some new chords on the ukulele. In PE, we practiced our chest push and javelin throw. While during our swimming, some of us began learning the breaststroke while others practiced swimming without our floats! Well done team on another brilliant week.



**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

Emmanuel

David B

David F

Dimitrinka

### Care, Consideration and Courtesy Award

Isabelle

Eva

Isak

Zain

### Attendance Award

**This weeks winners are: Year 5/6**

The winning class receives an extra playtime.

Last week's overall attendance: 89.7%

This week's overall attendance: 90.5%

**Well done, we are back to 90%**

**57 children have achieved 100% attendance this week.**

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>FSU</b>                   | 88.9%      |
| <b>Year One &amp; Two</b>    | 86.5%      |
| <b>Year Three &amp; Four</b> | 91.9%      |
| <b>Year Five &amp; Six</b>   | <b>94%</b> |

### 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

What a great week!! Thank you to Mrs Buckley for organising our World Book Day and thank you to the parents for dressing the children up as pirates and princesses. Please take a look at the photographs in this newsletter.

Our pupil parliament members went to the council building in Ormskirk, met the Mayor and saw where the council meetings take place. They really enjoyed it.

Please note the messages about the bake sale and Easter activities.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Birmingham



## **Attendance Drive**

**We have a challenge for the children. We really need to encourage all children to be in school every day and on time for the last three weeks of the term –this is a total of 14 days.**

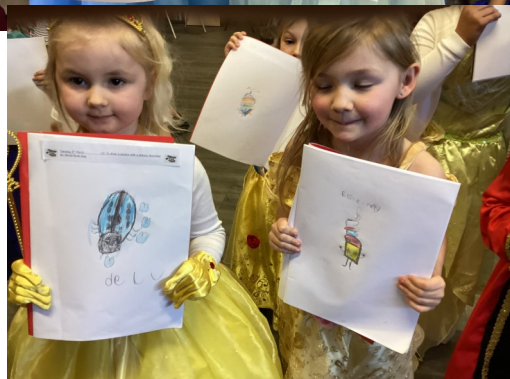
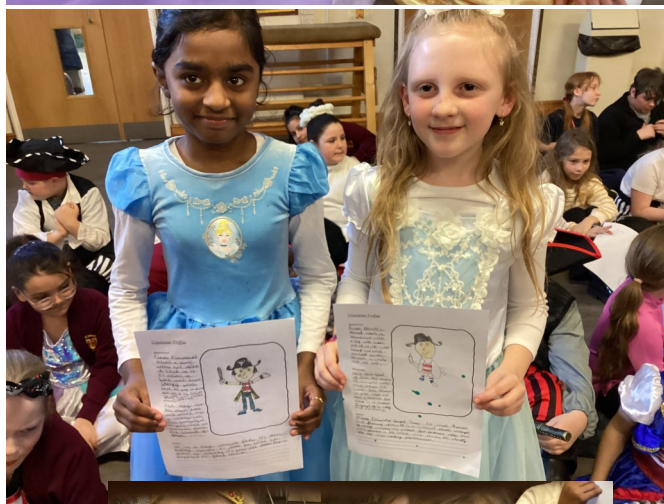
**All those children who manage to do this will receive an Easter egg to bring home on the last day.**

**Attending school is very important , if children are in school they will learn and be the very best they can be. Mrs Hall has sent out emails informing you of your child's attendance. Full attendance reports will be sent out after Easter. If your child's attendance is low there is still time to improve it.**



# World Book Day

What a great day! Learning about the importance of reading and sharing great stories.





# Easter Celebrations



| Date                                 | Event   | Who                    |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Thursday 21st March am               | Stations of the Cross<br>St.Paul's Church                         | All children           |
| Wednesday 27th March 2023<br>9.15 am | Easter Collective Worship led<br>by Year Three and Four           | Parents                |
| Thursday 28th March 2024             | Easter Bonnet Competition   | EYFS/KS1               |
| Thursday 28th March 2024             | Easter Egg Decorating Competition                                 | KS2                    |
| Thursday 28th March 2024<br>9.15 am  | Celebration Assembly—<br>Attendance/ Raffle<br>Draw//House Points | Whole School Community |

## Easter Bonnet Competition for EYFS/KS1

The children in EYFS and KS1 will be encouraged to decorate an Easter Bonnet at home and bring it into school. The children will take part in an Easter Bonnet parade and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

## Easter Egg Decorating Competition for KS2

The children in KS2 will be encouraged to decorate a hard boiled egg at home and bring it into school. The children will present their egg and a winner from each year group will be chosen. The winners will receive an Easter Egg.

## Easter Raffle

Tickets will be available shortly for our Easter Raffle. Children will be able to buy a strip for £1 and if they win they will be able to select an Easter Egg. Proceeds will go towards our trip fund.

## Bake Sale

The children will take part in a weekly bake sale. One class will bring in some

# Lenten Bake Sale

The Student Council would like to raise money for the following charities during this time of Lent.

CAFOD

And

The Children of Gaza and the Holy Land

The children have asked that rather than having a weekly cake sale were a year group each week brings in cakes, can they have a weekly 'Bake sale' because not everyone likes cakes.

The children are suggesting that families can donate any of the below items:

**Cakes**

**Doughnuts**

**Biscuits**

**Croissants**

**Or any other sweet baked item.**

The children will then be able to buy the items at breaktime. The baked items will be 50p each.

Please see the timetable below for the Bake sale.

| <b>Class to bring in<br/>'baked' items</b> | <b>Date</b>             |
|--|-------------------------|
| Year One/Two                               | Wednesday 13th<br>March |
| Year Three/Four                            | Wednesday 20th<br>March |
| Year Five/Six                              | Wednesday 27th<br>March |



## **Our Reading Celebration Wall 2023/24**

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

**Adin Zain**

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

**Isak Madison Poppy Daniel Danny Michael Roza Lili  
Charley—Lea Benjamin Tia'Leigh Kai Ria**

### **Bronze Award— (7/10 books)**

**Madison-Evie Zak Aida**

**Lexi May Grace Aron David Max Hayley Emmanuel Katerina  
Ksenia Lilliana Michael Kaine Maycie Lexi  
Dimitrinka Peneolpe Coral Lylah Ava-Jo**

### **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.**

