

# ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Consideration, Care and Courtesy*

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## NEWSLETTER

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017

### GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 3 <sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	James, Faye	Kaitlyn
Y4/5	Tyler, Megan, Alex	James
Y3	Sanija, Eliza, Leah	Kayleigh
Y2	Frankie, Kenzie, Ellie	Chloe L
Y1	Emily, Abiah	Tyler
EYFS	Freya, Viktor	Khaidyn

THURSDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	James, Kaitlyn, Laura	Shelby
Y4/5	Lucas, Daniel, Olivia S	Olivia D
Y3	Hanna, Aimee, Nathan	Malik
Y2	Shayla-Mae, Leiam, Adam R	Lexi
Y1	Tyler, Savannah	Kayden
EYFS	Blake, Brian	Maya

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 3 <sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY		
Y6	92.7%	1 Late
Y4/5	92.0%	9 Lates
Y3	<b>90.0%</b>	2 Lates
Y2	95.0%	4 Lates
Y1	87.3%	8 Lates
EYFS	94.3%	6 Lates

THURSDAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		
Y6	95.5%	2 Lates
Y4/5	98.1%	7 Lates
Y3	<b>95.0%</b>	5 Lates
Y2	97.9%	9 Lates
Y1	98.9%	7 Lates
EYFS	85.7%	6 Lates

### PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING

Our mid-year parents evening will be held this week on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**.

If you returned the letter for your preferred time, your child should have brought home the slip with your appointment.

The teachers will all be available in the school hall where they will discuss your child's mid-term report and progress towards the targets that were set in October.

**If you have lost the letter or forgotten to return it, please contact Mrs Wylie in the office to see which 'slots' are left.**

Mrs Duffy, our new Chair of Governors, will be in the hall during the evening so please feel free to introduce yourself to her.

### PARKING

About 90% of our children walk to school or come on their bike or scooter.

However, before half term there was an incident when a car parked on the pavement started to reverse while children were walking behind it. Luckily, the children were with their mum and were pulled away but I worry about what might have happened.

**If you come to school in a car, please be careful when driving near to the school and please be considerate about where you park.**

### DINNER MONEY

Please can I remind all our families once again to send in dinner money **on a Friday morning for the following week**. Karen in the kitchen needs to know how much food to order and dinner money coming in late is really causing difficulties with our food orders.

### PHOTOGRAPHS

Our school photographer from Tempest will be in on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March** next week, for our class and team photos.

The children will bring home the proofs soon so that you are able to order any prints that you require.

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## NSPCC

As part of our support for the NSPCC's **Speak out. Stay safe.** Programme, our school council decided to hold a sponsored 'Keep Fit' on Friday 3rd February.

The children came into school in their own clothes and each class spent some time dancing and skipping in the hall.

Just before we finished for half term, Eric came back to collect all the sponsor forms. **He was absolutely amazed at the amount of sponsor money that the children had collected.**

Eric is coming back on Friday this week to personally thank the children and to announce the grand total.

If you forgot to send your sponsor money in before half term, you have one more chance to get it in **before Friday** and we can add it to the **amazing total** that you all donated!

## SPORTS COUNCIL

As part of our commitment to School Sport and Competition, two of our year 6 children sit on the West Lancashire School Sport Council.

We are represented this year by Kaitlyn and James and they have already been instrumental in improving our provision of competitive games recognised by our **Silver School Games Mark.**

As part of their duties, Kaitlyn and James gave a speech about school sport to the whole council and spoke brilliantly about why school sport is so important.

We are so proud of our councillors and I know that the leaders of the sport council were incredibly impressed as well.

You can read the speech that they gave on our school website.

<http://www.stedmundswestlancs.co.uk/files/SportsCouncilSpeech.pdf>

## WORLD BOOK DAY

On Friday next week we will be celebrating World Book Day.

**The children can all come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book.**

During the day the children will be taking part in various book related activities and will get the opportunity to go into the other classrooms for a different story from each teacher.

The children will receive a Book Day Voucher that entitles them to a free book at selected book Shops or £1 off other titles.

**There is no charge for dressing up – it's just for fun!**

## LENT

Next week sees the start of Lent. On Tuesday we celebrate Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Day when traditionally people used up all the rich food before Lent starts on Ash Wednesday.

During Lent this year, Miss Vause is inviting our children and parents to stay for a short reflection each Thursday after school at 3.15pm.

Just make your way to the Foundation Stage classroom to spend a few minutes at prayer together.

Miss Vause has also offered to lead our staff in a Lenten reflection every Wednesday before school and I would like to offer her my thanks and appreciation for offering to lead these reflections.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here are a few dates for important events coming up. We will add more as they are finalised and confirmed.

Back to School	Mon 20/02/17
Parent Consultation Evening	Wed 22/02/17
Ash Wednesday	Wed 01/03/17
World Book Day	Fri 03/03/17
Easter Break begins 1.30pm	Fri 31/03/17
Back to school 8.50am	Tue 18/04/17
Bank Holiday	Mon 01/05/17
KS2 SATs week	wb Mon 08/05/17

Thank you for your support,  
Dermot Hennigan  
Headteacher

20/02/17

