

# ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016

### GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

THURSDAY 11 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Karol, Megija, Alfie	Zack
Y4/5	Erin, Samanta, Kaitlyn	Shelby
Y3	Tyler, Anesha, Lucas	Olivia
Y2	Thomas, Malik	Lilyrose
Y1	Keita, Ryan, Adam G	Adam R
EYFS	Tyler	Grace

FRIDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Karol, Grace, Megija	Kyle B
Y4/5	Cornelius, James H, Daisy, Ruby	James S
Y3	Josie, Sadie, Olivia S	Callum
Y2	Sanija, Maisie	Aimee
Y1	Lexi, Niall, Mason	Chloe L
EYFS	Emily	Savannah

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

THURSDAY 11 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		
Y6	99.3%	1 Late
Y4/5	87.5%	10 Lates
Y3	95.8%	3 Lates
Y2	94.6%	6 Lates
Y1	97.8%	2 Lates
EYFS	97.2%	3 Lates

FRIDAY 26 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY		
Y6	95.3%	3 Lates
Y4/5	93.0%	6 Lates
Y3	94.3%	3 Lates
Y2	93.0%	10 Lates
Y1	98.3%	2 Lates
EYFS	95.6%	9 Lates

### PUPIL PREMIUM AWARD

Hopefully you will have seen in the Skelmersdale Champion about the award that our school received from the Government. It is a testimony to the hard work of all the staff in our school and the support of the parents that the children progress so well before they leave St Edmund's.

Thank you for all the help that you give your children at home with reading, times tables, spellings and homework. When we all work together, your children can achieve great things!

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

Last week I had a meeting with our Catering Service to discuss our school lunches. I was raising concerns expressed by some of our parents about the portion sizes that the children were receiving. I asked that all children receive the full lunch on their plates including the vegetables! The meals now look far more appetising and contain all that growing children need. The children are encouraged to try everything on the plate but not made to finish everything if they don't want to. We have already had some successes including one Year 2 girl who had never tasted cauliflower but now thinks it's great!

### PHOTOGRAPHS

Our school photographer from Tempest will be in on **Monday 7<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.

### PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING

Thank you to our parents and carers who came to school last week to meet with the class teachers. It was fantastic to see such a good turn out with over 90% of our children represented. Hopefully you will have begun to understand the new assessment language and have seen the progress that your child has made since September.

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## HOLIDAY DATES 2016-17

Our Governors have met to agree the dates for next year and they are staying the same as those published previously. The dates for the holidays are the same as for Our Lady's and most of the schools in Skelmersdale. Some Authorities will have slightly different dates so if you have other children attending schools in a different Education Authority, check the dates very carefully.

We will update the page on the website to show that the dates have now been agreed by the Governors.

## INSET DAY IN JUNE

Because of the date for the European referendum, the Governors have allowed us to move the planned **INSET day to 23<sup>rd</sup> June**. This means that the children will not be in school when the Year 1 classroom is used for the polling station on that day. Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June will now be a very busy day as we will be taking part in Skelmersdale Pupil Parliament's project '*Clean for the Queen*' in the morning and have **Sports Day** in the afternoon.

Hopefully, because it is still nearly 4 months away, this change will not cause too much inconvenience to our families. If it does cause a difficulty, please pop into school and discuss it with us.

## LENT

Don't forget that during Lent this year, Miss Vause is inviting all our children and parents to stay for a short reflection each Thursday after school.

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.

## PRIZE BINGO

After the great success of last year's bingo, our next family social night will be a **Prize Bingo Night** in school on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March**.

The Library doors will open at 6.00pm with 'Eyes Down' at 6.30pm.

There is no charge for entry and tickets will be charged at 50p per book. Miss Vause has explained to me that 6 books ensure that you will have every number that is called on one of them!

We will have prizes for lines and full houses and there will also be two 'flyers' (which are extra games), a raffle and a tombola as well as tea and coffee.

Because of regulations, this event will be for **adults only** so feel free to bring your own 'refreshments' if you wish.

If any families have anything that you could donate as a prize, we would be very happy to receive it.

## HOLIDAY CLUB

Jack has asked me to let you know the details of the SHARES Easter Holiday Club.

It will run from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April and from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April. It will again be hosted by Brookfield Park School each day from 9am to 4.30pm.

If you are interested in your children attending the holiday club it will cost £9 per day or £40 for each full week.

You can sign up by telephoning **Jack on 07725 840766 or 01695 729897 or email him at [jack.england@shareslancashire.co.uk](mailto:jack.england@shareslancashire.co.uk)**.

Thank you for your support,  
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