

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 10th November 2014

GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 17 TH OCTOBER	
Y6	Lewis, Cameron, April
Y5	Charlotte, Aaron, Zack
Y3/4	Emily, Tyler, Jamie
Y1/2	Keisha, Lucy, Thomas
EYFS	Lexi, Adam R, Lily

FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER	
Y6	Abi, Bradley, Reece S
Y5	Kyle C, Megija, Karol
Y3/4	Samanta, Erin, Harrison
Y1/2	Callum, Nathan, Leah
EYFS	Kyle, Adam G, Niall

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 17 TH OCTOBER		
Y6	98.8%	5 Lates
Y5	100%	7 Lates
Y3/4	96.4%	18 Lates
Y1/2	96.6%	6 Lates
EYFS	98.2%	3 Lates

FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER		
Y6	96.5%	8 Lates
Y5	98.8%	1 Late
Y3/4	97.3%	13 Lates
Y1/2	97.2%	9 Lates
EYFS	99.5%	5 Lates

The number of children coming late is starting to creep up in some classes particularly in Year 3 and 4. Please continue to do everything that you possibly can to make sure that your child arrives to school on time.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The First World War officially ended on the eleventh hour on the eleventh day on the eleventh month, 1918 - Armistice Day. The act of a Two Minute Silence began on the anniversary of Armistice Day in 1919 by those who did not want to forget the millions killed, injured and affected.

Now generally called **Remembrance Day**, millions of people stop what they are doing and observe a Two Minute Silence at 11am on 11 November each year in the memory of those who have been affected in all conflicts. We will stop our lessons tomorrow and our whole school will sit silently for two minutes as part of this national reflection.

You are invited to come into school at 2.30pm on Tuesday 11th November and our Year 6 class will lead us in a Remembrance Day reflection in the hall.

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left
grow old:*

*Age shall not weary them, nor the years
condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the
morning*

We will remember them.

FAMILY FILM NIGHT

Raffle tickets have gone on sale today for our Family Film Night. The cost will be £1.50 per person. We will be showing a DVD in school on Friday this week at 6.30pm. You can come in through the library door from 6.00pm and we will be selling chocolates, sweets, drinks and hot dogs before the film starts. This film night is one of our events for the whole family so feel free to bring older brothers and sisters or younger siblings as well. Our Year 6 will be going round all the classes this week to sell tickets so please send the money into school in an envelope or pop in to school to buy tickets from the office.



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APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL PLACES

As you know, we have a very full Reception class this year. We are full to capacity and indeed still have families on our waiting list.

St Edmund's is a Catholic school and, as such, our admission criteria state that we give preference to baptised Catholic children. **However, please be aware that we do welcome applications from children of other faiths and we allocate places by following our published admission procedures.**

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2015 or you are aware of other families with children due to start school then please note that the closing date for application is Thursday 15th January 2015.

POLLING STATION

We were informed at the end of last week that our school was going to be used as a polling station for the Borough Council Elections on Thursday 11th December. Our school Governors have considered our options and we believe that the voting can be contained in the Year 1 classroom (the red room) and the rest of the school need not be affected. We have learned a few lessons from the last time and we will provide more signs to direct voters to the correct place to save them coming into the main entrance of the school. This means that for that day, I would ask that all Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are dropped off and collected at the main entrance to the school.

RAG BAG COLLECTION

We have arranged for another Rag Bag collection from our school for Wednesday 12th November.

Please have a sort out at home and put any old clothes, shoes, bedding etc. in plastic bags and bring into school on Wednesday morning. The bags can be left in the morning under the cover by the library and they should be collected later in the day. Our school receives payment for

the weight of bags collected so the more old clothes that you can get rid of the better.

ABSENCE

For the last couple of years we have worked really hard to improve the rates of attendance at St Edmund's. Mrs Stringman goes through the registers each morning and contacts the families of children that are absent that day. If your child is unwell and can't attend school, please can you ring the office before 8.50am so we can mark it in the register. Some families ask older (or even younger!) siblings to tell their teacher. Unfortunately these messages don't always get delivered and it is much simpler to talk to Mrs Wylie or leave a message on the machine.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Our school Governors meet later this month to finalize dates for this year and our term dates for next year as well. Just so you are prepared, here are a few upcoming dates for you to note:

Y6 Remembrance reflection

– Tue 11th Nov 2.30pm

Family Film Night

– Fri 14th Nov - 6.00pm

Non Uniform Day (Bring a Bottle)

– Fri 21st Nov

Anti Bullying 'Play in a Day'

– Fri 21st Nov 2.45pm

Non Uniform Day (Bring a Packet)

– Fri 28th Nov

Christmas Fayre

– Fri 5th Dec 5.00pm

KS1 Nativity

– Tues 9th Dec 6.30pm

FSU Nativity

– Weds 10th Dec 10.30am

Finish for Christmas – Fri 19th Dec – 1.30pm

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

10/11/14

