

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Consideration, Care and Courtesy

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 29th September 2014

GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 19 TH SEPTEMBER	
Y6	April, Lewis, Kacper
Y5	Emily, Megija, Aimee-Rose
Y3/4	Faye, Alfie, Alex
Y1/2	Nieve, Martin, Lilyrose
EYFS	Chloe I, Leiam, Shayla-Mae

FRIDAY 26 TH SEPTEMBER	
Y6	Jen, Ethan, Abi
Y5	Luke, Aaron, Grace
Y3/4	Shannon, Imogen, James
Y1/2	Molly, Olivia D, Grace
EYFS	Alan, Natalie, Olivia L

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 19 TH SEPTEMBER		
Y6	98.2%	3 Lates
Y5	100%	2 Lates
Y3/4	99.1%	8 Lates
Y1/2	96.2%	5 Lates
EYFS	100%	4 Lates

FRIDAY 26 TH SEPTEMBER		
Y6	100%	4 Lates
Y5	98.8%	0 Lates
Y3/4	99.1%	6 Lates
Y1/2	97.2%	1 Late
EYFS	98.1%	4 Lates

As you can see, every one of our classes is managing to keep their 'Lates' down to single figures. Thank you for your effort to get your children to school on time. Please keep it up!

PRAYER FOR AUTUMN

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we embrace these autumn months,

May the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest.

May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life.

May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever. Amen.

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. Lancashire County Council now want all applications for school places to be made online. If your child is due to start Reception or High School in September 2015 then you will receive a leaflet with the details. We will arrange a session when you can use the school computers before Christmas but if anyone wants any help in applying for places just pop into the school and ask.

LIFE EDUCATION CARAVAN

The Life Education Caravan is due to pay a visit to our school on the 8th and 9th October. Nichole, our educator, was really pleased with the attitude and behaviour of the children in our school last year and is really looking forward to meeting the classes again.

Procter and Gamble have again agreed to cover the costs for the Life Education Caravan to work at our school and I would like to thank P&G for their support for our school and the families of Skelmersdale.

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We are now well into the new term and all our after school clubs are up and running. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff who very kindly give up their own time (without pay!) to help make sure we give our children as many experiences as possible. We very rarely make any charge for our extra-curricular activities and this is another example of St Edmund's going that extra mile for our pupils.

- Monday – Craft Club for KS2
Homework Club for KS2
- Tuesday – Football Club for KS2
Multi Sports Club for KS1
Cookery Club for Y3 and Y4
- Wednesday - No clubs because of Staff Meeting
- Thursday - Rugby Club for KS2
Netball Club for KS2
Boxercise Club for KS2
Activity Club for KS1
- Friday - Chess Club for KS2
Choir for KS2

As all our clubs are run voluntarily by the staff and we do not make any charge for them, we constantly make clear to the children that we can only invite sensible, well behaved children and that some of the clubs have limited numbers.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

Last Monday the school photographer was in to take individual and family photographs. You will have received the proofs last week and have the opportunity to order the sets that you want. Please make sure that any orders are in sent into school before 13th October so that Mrs Wylie can send them all off together.

SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD

Our school council and the Governors have agreed that it would be a good idea to install a fence around our school playing field as it would help to reduce the rubbish and dog mess left on our school field and would mean the children are able to use it more often. The council have granted planning permission and the Governors are now working with the Archdiocese of Liverpool to send the contract out to tender. Once the quotations are in and the Governors have decided whether to go ahead I will keep you all informed of the progress.

PARENTS EVENING

Before half term you will get a chance to come into school to meet with your child's class teacher. You will get a letter closer to the time but this half term it will be on Wednesday 22nd October. Please try and keep this evening free as it would be lovely to see you in school to share your child's progress.

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We are still in the process of finalising some of the dates for this term and I will include a more comprehensive list in the next newsletter, but these are a few upcoming dates for you to *'pencil in'*:

- Y5 Harvest Assembly – Mon 20th Oct - 2.30pm
Parents Evening – Wed 22nd Oct 3.30 – 6.30pm
Pupil Disco – Thurs 23rd Oct – 5pm
Non-uniform Day – Fri 24th Oct – 'Many Colours'
Finish for Half Term – Fri 24th Oct – 3.15pm

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

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