

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Consideration, Care and Courtesy

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NEWSLETTER

Monday 8th October 2018

GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 28 TH SEPTEMBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Lucas, Zac	Anesha
Y4/5	Chloe I, Maisie, Chloe L	Dylan
Y3/4	Grace, Savannah, Lucy	Layan
Y2/1	Viktor, Khaidyn, Blake	Madison
EYFS	Lili, Njay, Mason	Ronin

FRIDAY 5 TH OCTOBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Anesha, Olivia S	Josie
Y4/5	Ellie, Leiam, Malik	Kenzie
Y3/4	Demi, Joshua, Lexi	William
Y2/1	Brian, Jamie, Jenna	Noah
EYFS	Isla, Alek, Maycie	Lexi

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 28 TH SEPTEMBER		
Y6	100%	1 Lates
Y4/5	98.6%	1 Lates
Y3/4	95.7%	2 Lates
Y2/1	95.0%	4 Lates
EYFS	96.6%	2 Lates

FRIDAY 5 TH OCTOBER		
Y6	95.6%	3 Lates
Y4/5	100%	4 Lates
Y3/4	98.7%	5 Lates
Y2/1	95.7%	9 Lates
EYFS	93.3%	2 Lates

Thank you for your continued support to get your children into school on time every day that they are well enough.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is traditionally celebrated as the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a special prayer that helps us to think about important events in the lives of Jesus and Mary.

During this month, Miss Vause will lead a decade of the Rosary each Thursday straight after school. If you wish to join us to pray a decade of the Rosary, please make your way round to Year 1/2 at 3.15pm on Thursday.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all our Parents, Grandparents and friends who brought cakes or came into school for our Macmillan Coffee Morning. Also a big thank you to all the staff who helped out and especially Mrs Stringman who organised it all.

Thanks to their effort and your generosity we raised over £400 to support the important work of the Macmillan Nurses.

PARENTS EVENING

On Wednesday 17th October we will hold our initial Parents Evening. You will get a chance to come into school to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss how your child has settled in and set some targets for the year.

You will have received a letter this week to indicate your preferred time. Please complete the slip and return as soon as possible so that we can arrange the appointments. It would be lovely to see you in school to share your child's progress.

APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL PLACES

If your child is due to start Reception or High School in September 2019 then you will have received a leaflet with the details of how to apply online.

Log on to the website at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

If anyone needs any help in applying for places you can ring 0300 123 6707 or just pop into the school and ask.

The closing date for admissions to High School is Wednesday 31st October 2018 and for Reception is Tuesday 15th January 2019.

NURSERY

Our Nursery class have settled really well into our Foundation Stage. Miss Hulse, Mrs Beeley and Mrs Burns are really pleased with how well they are all doing.

We welcome: Bobby, Jojo, Sofia, Skyler, Kyla, Kai, Anaya, Aiden, Mia, Caia, Kinga, Marty and Aida.

DINNER MONEY

There are still a few families who are sending in dinner money in 'dribs and drabs' through the week.

We ask that all dinner money is paid on the Friday of the week before.

That means that we are sure which children are having a school meal for the following week and Denise can make sure that we order enough food from the suppliers.

It also makes extra work for Mrs Wylie to have to send reminders to families that have not paid on a Friday.

If you think that your child is eligible for free school meals, even if they are in KS1, please telephone the **Area Education Office on 0300 123 6701** with details of your name, date of birth and National Insurance number and an immediate on-line decision can be given.

HOMEWORK

The Government require us to give appropriate homework to the children in our school. Because we also encourage the children to take part in out of school activities like dance clubs, football teams or gymnastic lessons, **all our Key Stage 2 classes give out homework on a Thursday and expect it to be completed and returned by the next Tuesday.** That should give the children plenty of opportunities to complete the homework around their clubs and teams and family time.

If completing the homework at home is stressful for you and your child, we run a 'Homework Club' every Monday after school. This gives the children a quiet place to do their homework with the support of the teachers and means that there is no chance of them forgetting to give it in.

Please look out for your child's homework on a Thursday and encourage them to complete it at home or come to the club on Monday.

We also reward our children who read aloud to an adult at home at least 4 times each week. Please make sure that you sign their reading record and put it back in their book bag each night. Children will be awarded bronze, silver and gold certificates in our celebration assembly on a Friday afternoon. I always tell the children to thank you for helping them with their reading at home – I wonder if any of them do say, 'thank you'?

DOGS IN SCHOOL

Please can I remind you all not to bring your dogs onto the school grounds when picking up or dropping off your children. We have some children in school who are frightened of dogs even if you think they are only being friendly.

Please show consideration for others and leave your dog at home if possible or at the very least keep it out of the school grounds and away from the gates.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We are still in the process of finalising some of the dates for this term but these are a few upcoming dates for you to 'pencil in':

Harvest Assembly (Y3/4) 2.30pm	Mon	15/10/18
Parent Consultation Evening	Wed	17/10/18
School Disco 5-7pm	Thurs	18/10/18
Finish for half term 3.15pm	Fri	19/10/18
Back to School 8.50am	Mon	29/10/18
Life Education Vehicle	Wed	31/10/18
Anti-Bullying Week 'Choose Respect'	wb	Mon 12/11/18
Y4/5 Remembrance Reflection 2.30pm	Mon	12/11/18
Children in Need non-uniform 'Do Your Thing'	Fri	16/11/18
Feast of St Edmund of Abingdon	Fri	16/11/18
Mass in School 9.30am	Tues	20/11/18
Autumn Bingo 6.30 – 9.30pm	Fri	23/11/18

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

08/10/18

