

# ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017

### GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 10 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Alicia, Jamie	Daniel
Y4/5	Grace, Kayleigh, Martin	Olivia D
Y3	Niall, Lexi, Lily	Shayla-Mae
Y2/1	Evie, Savannah, Finley	Abiah
EYFS	Madison, Noah	Isak

FRIDAY 17 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Amylee, Daisy	Cornelius
Y4/5	Leah, Aimee, Malik	Louis
Y3	Edetha, Frankie, Leiam	Dylan
Y2/1	Gracie, Lucy, Brian	Tyler
EYFS	Kai, Adin	Ava

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 10 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER		
Y6	100%	4 Lates
Y4/5	90.4%	5 Lates
Y3	92.3%	1 Late
Y2/1	91.9%	13 Lates
EYFS	96.0%	0 Lates

FRIDAY 17 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER		
Y6	97.5%	3 Lates
Y4/5	82.0%	4 Lates
Y3	98.0%	1 Lates
Y2/1	90.4%	4 Lates
EYFS	78.0%	3 Lates

The number of children arriving late was much better last week. Please continue to bring your children on time every day.

### APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL PLACES

Lancashire County Council now requires all applications for school places to be made online. If your child is due to start Reception in September 2018, **even if your child is already in our Nursery class**, you will still need to complete the application online.

Log on to the website at:

[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://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 Reception is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

### ACTIVE SCHOOLS: SKELMERSDALE

Our Year 5 class have been taking part in a project to look at the ways in which we can increase our activity in school and at home.

When it is cold and dark outside during the winter months it might be difficult to be active with the indoors being both warmer and safer. However, when we are inside it is important that children and adults do not spend prolonged or extended periods of time sitting still as this can be bad for your health.

Some easy ways to get children moving and breaking up sitting time can include, making the advert breaks on TV active by moving about or doing quick chores whenever they come on, or having a home rule that whenever anyone sits for an hour they then have to move around the house for at least 10 minutes.

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

We have now gone right through one cycle of our School Lunch menu. The new menu is specially designed for the colder winter months and has lots of the children's favourite meals on each week. Have a look through the menu that we sent home and help your child to pick out the meals that they will like. You can also check the menus on-line; there is a link from our school website.

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## UNIFORM

The way the children always look so smart in their school uniform is a great credit to our families.

It is a pity though that there are a few children at the moment who are wearing trainers instead of their black school shoes. Please remember that black school shoes are an important part of our school uniform.

I know that some parents were waiting to buy new school ties. Mrs Wylie now has some in stock – both normal and those with elastic. **Unfortunately the supplier has put up their prices to £4.50** so we must do the same.

## CHRISTMAS FAIR

This year our Christmas Fair is on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00pm.**

We will have our usual grocery tombola and bottle tombola, along with the football game and chocolate game. We will have plenty of other stalls including the Procter and Gamble straw game and the raffle.

The raffle tickets are selling well and we have our usual competition to see who can sell the most books of tickets.

We would ask for donations of any top quality raffle prizes and items to sell on the bric-a-brac stall.

If any parents are willing to help at the Christmas Fair please pop into the office and speak to Mrs Wylie. All support will be gratefully received.

## COLLECTION FROM SCHOOL

The Governors have asked if I could remind you all to let us know if someone different is coming to collect your child. **Please could you just ring Mrs Wylie in the office and let her know if it will be someone that doesn't normally pick them up.**

Also, please make sure that we have up-to-date contact numbers so we are able to contact you if necessary. Don't forget to let us know if you or someone else on the contact list change your mobile number particularly over Christmas.

## WOW WALK TO SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Yesterday Simon Harrison from 'Living Streets' came into school to introduce a new challenge to the children. **Every child that walks, cycles or scooters to school at least once a week will be able to win reward badges each month.**

If your child usually comes in a car we are asking if, at least once a week, you could park a little way down the road and walk the rest of the way.

There will be an App that you can download that includes more information, games and a way of bringing the monthly badges to life!

I will give more information as the challenge progresses.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please be aware that we may need to alter some of these dates but that we will try to give you as much notice as possible.

Non-uniform day (bottles for Christmas Fair)	Fri	01/12/17
First Sunday in Advent	Sun	03/12/17
Christmas Jumper day Christmas Fair 5pm	Fri	08/12/17
Carols with Trinity	Mon	11/12/17
Infant Nativity dress rehearsal 2.00pm	Mon	11/12/17
Infant Nativity 6.30pm	Tues	12/12/17
Christmas dinner day	Wed	13/12/17
EYFS Nativity 10.00am	Thurs	14/12/17
EYFS Breakfast with Santa	Fri	15/12/17
Nursery Children Finish for Christmas	Fri	15/12/17
EYFS Santa's Workshop	Mon	18/12/17
Non-uniform day Talent Show 9.30am Class Christmas parties	Wed	20/12/17
Gold Card Club	Thur	21/12/17
Finish for Christmas 1.30pm	Fri	22/12/17
Back to School (No INSET Day)	Mon	08/01/18

Thank you for your support,  
Dermot Hennigan  
Headteacher

27/11/17

