

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Consideration, Care and Courtesy

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NEWSLETTER

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GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 20 TH JANUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Kaitlyn, Erin	Olivia
Y4/5	Zac, Alicia, Olivia S	Cornelius
Y3	Eliza, Nathan, Lucy	Noah
Y2	Adam R, Ashleen, Kyle	Kenzie
Y1	Lee, Finley	Lucy
EYFS	Evelyn, Viktor	Evie

FRIDAY 27 TH JANUARY		WRITER OF THE WEEK
Y6	Imogen, Olivia	Emily
Y4/5	Harrison, Jamie, Callum	Ruby
Y3	Hanna, Maisie, Lilyrose	Lucas
Y2	Niall, Leiam, Chloe L	Shayla-Mae
Y1	Lucy, Joshua	Finley
EYFS	Miks, Molly	Dayle

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 20 TH JANUARY		
Y6	98.2%	1 Late
Y4/5	100%	12 Lates
Y3	100%	4 Lates
Y2	88.3%	4 Lates
Y1	94.5%	10 Lates
EYFS	95.7%	9 Lates

FRIDAY 27 TH JANUARY		
Y6	94.5%	3 Lates
Y4/5	97.8%	5 Lates
Y3	98.6%	6 Lates
Y2	95.7%	9 Lates
Y1	90.9%	7 Lates
EYFS	90.2%	5 Lates

SCHOOL GOVERNORS

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that Mrs Fran Hopkins has stepped down as the Chairperson of our Governing body. Mrs Hopkins has served on our Governors for many years and has been Chairperson for quite a while.

I would like to thank Mrs Hopkins for generously giving her time to our school and our families and for her friendship and guidance for me personally.

Happily, Mrs Hopkins will continue to guide the school as one of our Foundation Governors and will support our new Chairperson, Mrs Patricia Duffy.

MRS DUFFY

As the new Chair of Governors, I would like to introduce myself to all the school family.

I trained as a nurse in 1985 and have worked for the NHS for the last 35 years in a variety of roles, firstly in hospital and then for many years in the community. Therefore, the health and welfare of our children is a priority for me.

My husband Kevin is the Deacon at Corpus Christi in Rainford and I am a catechist there helping in the "With You Always" programme with the young families in preparation for their children's Baptism or First Eucharist.

I have two grown up daughters, who currently live in London and Birmingham. I will be retiring in March so I will be able to be in school weekly from then on. I will be attending the next parents evening and so I am looking forward to meeting many of you then.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Fran Hopkins for her many years in this role. As you will all agree she is such a wonderful person and a very hard act to follow. However, luckily she has agreed to continue as a governor for the school. Unlike Fran, I am quite new to the school, but I am delighted to be part of such a wonderful, caring community. The children are an absolute credit to you and the school.

God Bless,
Pat Duffy

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NSPCC

The NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. programme visited our school last week to make sure our pupils have the knowledge and understanding they need to stay safe.

As part of our support for the NSPCC, our school council has decided that we will hold a sponsored 'Keep Fit' on Friday 3rd February.

The children have brought home a booklet about the work of the NSPCC which includes a sponsor form. If every family could raise £2 or £3, it would mean that we can give a generous donation to this important charity.

The children have been told that they can ask mums, dads, nans, grandads etc. but not to ask strangers for sponsorship.

On Friday 3rd February, the children can come into school in their own clothes ready for some skipping, dancing and exercise in the hall.

When they have collected the money, the children should place it into the sponsor form envelope and put it into the 'Buddy box' in their classroom.

Eric and Joy will be back in school before we finish for half term to collect the money. They will give badges and prizes to the children who have returned their forms with the most sponsors.

BAD WEATHER

The weather forecasters are once again predicting a really cold snap. If there is so much snow and ice that the roads and paths become dangerous and we need to close the school, we will put a notice on our website and 'tweet' the information. We will also send a text through our CallParents service. Please make sure that Mrs Wylie has the correct mobile number for you to be contacted.

If you have had a new phone for Christmas please let us have your new number so that we can update the system.

DINNER MONEY

Please can I remind all our families once again to send in dinner money **on a Friday morning for the following week.** Karen in the kitchen needs to know how much food to order and dinner money coming in late is really causing difficulties with our food orders.

HOLIDAY DATES 2017-18

Our Governors are currently trying to finalise the term and holiday dates for next school year. We always try to keep similar holidays to Our Lady Queen of Peace because many of our families have children at both schools.

The proposed dates are on our website but please be aware that some of the dates may alter slightly as we try to keep similar dates to Our Lady's and the other primary schools in our town.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here are a few dates for important events coming up. We will add more as they are finalised and confirmed.

Non-uniform day and Sponsored Keep-Fit for NSPCC	Fri 03/02/17
Parents, Governors and Staff Bingo. Doors open at 6 pm	Fri 03/02/17
SHARES Dance festival	Tues 07/02/17
Children finish for Half Term	Thurs 09/02/17
Staff INSET day	Fri 10/02/17
Back to School	Mon 20/02/17
Parent Consultation Evening	Wed 22/02/17
Ash Wednesday	Wed 01/03/17
Easter Break begins 1.30pm	Fri 31/03/17
Back to school 8.50am	Tue 18/04/17
Bank Holiday	Mon 01/05/17
KS2 SATs week	wb Mon 08/05/17

Thank you for your support,
Dermot Hennigan
Headteacher

30/01/17

