

# ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014

### GOOD WORK AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

FRIDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	
Y6	Sophie, Ben, Bradley
Y5	Aaron, Zack, Maddison
Y3/4	Olivia, James, Amylee
Y1/2	Anesha, Olivia D, Olivia C
EYFS	Adam R, Shay, Leiam

FRIDAY 12 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER	
Y6	Kacper, April, Jen
Y5	Aaron, Charlotte, Maddison
Y3/4	Emily, Alex, Imogen
Y1/2	Callum, Olivia D, Thomas
EYFS	Lexi, Niall, Frankie

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

FRIDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER		
Y6	94.1%	5 Lates
Y5	100%	3 Lates
Y3/4	95.0%	14 Lates
Y1/2	95.7%	10 Lates
EYFS	93.8%	2 Lates

FRIDAY 12 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER		
Y6	90.0%	5 Lates
Y5	90.6%	6 Late
Y3/4	94.5%	10 Lates
Y1/2	93.9%	8 Lates
EYFS	94.3%	2 Lates

I know that there are still a few 'bugs' going round school at the moment and a few of our children have been off lately. Our attendance last week dipped below the targets we have set. Hopefully as children recover, we will see those percentages climb again.

### CHRISTMAS TIME

Last week we shared the Nativity celebrations with our Foundation Stage and our Key Stage 1 children. It is always a special time in our school and it is lovely to see the children tell us the Christmas story and to celebrate the birth of Jesus with them.

Thank you to all our parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, brothers and sisters who came to help our celebrations at this magical time.



### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make our Christmas Fayre such a success last week. We had plenty of donations for the stalls and the tombolas and some families were very busy making things for us to sell or for raffle prizes. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help run the stalls, it was lovely to see so many of our staff there along with parents, friends and even some past pupils. Through your time and generosity we were able to raise nearly £1000 that we will be able to spend on extra treats for the children especially transport for the class trips this year.

### TALENT SHOW

Auditions are going well for our Christmas talent Show and the children are busy rehearsing their dances, songs, skipping and jokes. The show will start at 9.30 on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December and usually lasts about an hour or an hour and a half. **The children can come to school on Thursday in their own clothes,**

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ready for the talent show and the class parties in the afternoon. You are very welcome to come to school at 9.30 on Thursday if you wish to see the future stars of Britain's Got Talent!

## 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 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

## NEW WEBSITE

Mr Brammer is busy at the moment helping to design a new look to the school website. We hope the redesign will freshen up the appearance of the site and also make it more accessible to view on tablets and mobile phones. There will also be an 'App' available which can notify you of anything new posted on the site. Mr Brammer is trying to drag me into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with a school 'Twitter' account and class Blogs.

We'll keep you posted of the progress of the new site and the exciting features that come with it.

**Don't forget that we finish for Christmas on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec at 1.30pm.**

**We will see you all in the New Year on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 8.50am.**

## HAPPY CHRISTMAS

On behalf of all the staff at our school, may I thank you for everything that you have done throughout the year to support the children and our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful, peaceful Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Thank you for your support,

Dermot Hennigan  
Headteacher



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