



## St. Edmund's R.C. Primary School - Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> October 2018 (544)

Tel: 0161-205-1700

Sunday Masses: Vigil Mass - Saturday, 6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's  
9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

Parish Website: [stpatricksliveseyst.com](http://stpatricksliveseyst.com)

School Website: [www.stedmundsrcprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.stedmundsrcprimaryschool.co.uk)

School Twitter account: [@stedmundsrcps](https://twitter.com/stedmundsrcps)

Facebook page: [St. Edmund's Roman Catholic Primary School](https://www.facebook.com/St.EdmundsRomanCatholicPrimarySchool)



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If there is any parent who wishes their child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Priest of the parish in which you live. If you live within the boundaries of this parish, please see Father Jim after one of the Sunday Masses listed above.

Our next statement to live by is: 'I can tell you how I look after myself.'

### ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

Amazing news! Our whole school attendance last week was 98.8%. This again, is the highest attendance for the whole school since the start of term! All 8 classes smashed our whole school target of 97% and were rewarded with an extra playtime this week. Congratulations to the pupils in Reception who managed an amazing 100%. WOW!! The children celebrated with a non-uniform day today. Year 6 and Reception also enjoyed an ice-cream party today as a reward for having the highest attendance for the month of September. Many thanks to all those parents who continue to follow our school policy and procedures when your child is going to be absent from school. It really helps to know that your child is safe. WELL DONE everyone!



Nursery: 99%	Reception: 100%	Year 1: 98.7%	Year 2: 99.6%
Year 3: 99.6%	Year 4: 98.4%	Year 5: 97.1%	Year 6: 98.5%

PRAYER AND WORSHIP: Father Jim celebrated Mass for us on Tuesday. After listening to the story of St. Martin and his missionary work, our newly appointed Chaplains were commissioned for the year ahead. #ChaplainLeaders

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: There are two very important dates coming up for our Year 3 parents and pupils. We look forward to welcoming you to the first meeting on **Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October**. Parents can choose from either the 3:30 p.m or 5:30 p.m. meeting. A crèche will be available for younger children in the school Nursery. The Rite of Presentation Mass will then be on **Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> October at 9:30 a.m.** at St. Patrick's Church. If there are any baptised pupils in Year 4, 5 and 6 who have not yet undertaken the Sacramental Programme and would like to do so, please contact Mr. Usher for more details.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM: Miss Withers met with the JLT for the first time on Monday. Their first task is to consult with all pupils about where in the school grounds they would like our bee sculpture to go. #PupilVoice

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY: The Charity Reps are delighted to announce that the 'Brighten up for CAFOD Harvest Day' last Friday, raised £120!! Thank you to all who supported and contributed to support CAFOD and the wonderful work that they do to eradicate poverty in the world. #childrenhelpingchildren #pupilleaders #Caritasinaction #proud #rightsrespectingschool

PARENTS' FORUM: Mrs Clinton is keen to start up a parents' forum so that we can meet regularly to discuss ways to improve our school. We will be sending out invites to our first parents' forum very soon and the first meeting will be held on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2.00 p.m.

DINNER MONEY: Dinner money up until half term will be £22.50 (2 weeks). Don't forget to pay on Agora. Many thanks for your co-operation.

APPLICATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL PLACES: The deadline for high school applications is fast approaching. Please ensure that you apply no later than **Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**. Once you have done so, please inform Mrs Fox, the Year 6 teacher so that we can tick your child off our list! You can do this online at [www.manchester.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.manchester.gov.uk/admissions). If you would like any help in making your application, please contact our school office and a member of the team will be pleased to help you.



**ST. MATTHEW'S:** As most parents are aware, we are a feeder school to St. Matthew's R.C. High School and this is the school we continue to recommend for our pupils so that they can continue their Catholic education. We are proud that we have extremely strong links with St. Matthew's and have a comprehensive transition package to offer our pupils. Head Teacher, Mrs Murden and school leaders are very keen to talk to our parents about the improvements they are implementing so if you'd like more information, please get in touch with the school.

**EDUCATIONAL VISIT:** The Year 5 pupils thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Central Library this afternoon. They participated in a fascinating workshop aimed at celebrating 100 years since the Women's Suffragette Movement.

**MATHLETE OF THE WEEK:** This week's winners are: Reception: Elyon (9171 pts) Year 1 - Sarah (5012pts), Year 3 - John (4,910pts), Year 4 - Claudia (11,867 pts), Year 5 - Stephanie (5,130 pts), Year 6 - Samuel (11,066pts) and the whole school winner goes to.... Samuel (Year 2) with an amazing 12,270 points!!!! (This has to be a world record!) Well done Mathletes!! Every child from Reception-Year 6 has a login to use Mathletics. School have paid £4 per pupil for the year so please encourage your child to complete their activities set by their teacher or practice their fluency skills by going 'live'.

**KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE/WORKING TOGETHER:** As you know, we all have a duty of care to keep all children safe and we constantly remind children who they can talk to in school. However, do our children know who to talk to or contact when they aren't in school? And do they know how to do it? We've asked ourselves these questions. In response, we will be providing our children with important contact numbers for them to use if they ever feel the need. This will be going in your child's reading record book so they always have it. Once we send this home, we ask that you speak to your child about what to do in certain scenarios. We know that you will be great at this as you know your children so well.

**FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES:** Next week, we will be collecting tins and dried groceries for our local food bank at the Lalley Centre. This is a most worthwhile cause because you never know when you might need a helping hand. You have all heard the saying, 'Charity begins at home' so let's all help by bringing in a tin or a packet of food. All children who make a donation can have a non-uniform day next Friday.

**HOUSE POINT HEADQUARTERS:** Our house point captains have been busy collecting all points accumulated this week. The winners this week are St. John with (180 points), 2<sup>nd</sup>- St Luke (162pts) 3<sup>rd</sup> -St Mark (153pts) 4<sup>th</sup> - St Matthew (112 pts).

**FACEBOOK:** If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so you can keep up to date with all of the latest news! Teachers will be posting about what the class are up to and they'll post photos also! Search us as **St. Edmund's** and we should pop up!

**GOOD NEWS - SUPERSTAR PUPILS:** The following pupils have either impressed their teachers or lunchtime staff this week and were rewarded in our weekly Celebration Assembly:



Jolade and Libby in Year 6	Andre, Michelle and Hayley in Year 5
Haben, Kayden B and Joshua in Year 4	Lyndon, Emmie and Harry in Year 3
Mason and Konde in Year 2	Daniel and Iyla in Year 1
Tommy and Christabel in Reception	Michael and Elohor in Nursery

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:** We will try our very best to make sure that you have important dates for your diary for each term so that you can make arrangements.

Date	Event
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Sacramental Programme Meeting for parents in Year 6 & children in Year 3 at 3.30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Crèche available in EYFS for siblings.
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Art Day. Please wear clothes that you don't mind getting messy!
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Non-uniform day if pupils make donations to the Lalley Welcome Centre Year 5 and 6 trip to 2018 National Taekwondo Grand Prix
Sunday, 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Rite of Presentation Mass for children on the Sacramental Programme - 9:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Church
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Whole School Harvest Mass at 9.15 a.m. - donations of tins and dried food needed for the Lalley Welcome Centre
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Non-uniform day to raise money for school fund, 50p a child or £1.00 a family. <b>School closes for half term at 3:15 p.m. (one week)</b>
Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Year 6 parents - deadline for application for high schools

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Mrs Leydon, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Lee, Sister Regina and Favour Abiodun. Please let us know by informing the office if you would like us to include a member of your family in our prayers.



*Stay with us, Lord, on our journey.*