



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

9th November 2018 (547)

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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

School Website: 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 know how to help others when they are in trouble.'



Welcome back after our half term break-we hope you enjoyed it and are feeling well rested! Our whole school attendance target was met again for the last week of half term. 4 classes smashed our target of 97% and were rewarded with an extra 5 minutes playtime this week.

Congratulations to the pupils in Nursery who managed an amazing 100%.

The children celebrated with a Non-Uniform Day on Thursday. Congratulations also to Reception who had the highest attendance for October with an amazing 99.4%. These pupils celebrated with an ice-cream party today! Many thanks to all of 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! Our Attendance prefects led a celebration assembly on Tuesday afternoon and presented hundreds of prizes to children who met and exceeded our school target last term. The prefects are doing a smashing job for us!

Nursery: 100%	Reception: 98.3%	Year 1: 98.0%	Year 2: 96.4%
Year 3: 98.9%	Year 4: 95.9%	Year 5: 94.2%	Year 6: 96.1%

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE: We will be holding our annual Remembrance service on Tuesday 13th November at 9:30 a.m. in the school hall. If you haven't done so already, please return the form with the name of a loved one to be remembered and a candle will be lit in their memory.

'DAY OF THE DEAD': Each class has worked extremely hard to learn about how Latin Americans celebrate this festival at the start of November in order to remember loved ones who have died. This morning, they showcased their work during a special assembly. Over the week, the children have asked some Big Questions around accepting death and whether or not we should be happy or sad when we remember loved ones. Please check out the work the children have done on our Facebook page.

OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR: It is that time of year again! Our Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday, 1st December at 12 noon. Thank you for all of your wonderful donations for the Gift Tombola this week- we've made a great start to our preparations for the fair this year! Our Charity reps are doing a superb job of reminding us all of what needs to be collected each week. #PUPILLEADERS



Date	What we are collecting
Friday, 16 th November	Red and Christmassy items
Friday, 23 rd November	Toys and Games
Friday, 30 th November	Bottles



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 12TH-16TH NOVEMBER:

For this year's Anti-Bullying Week, we are encouraging our children to think about how they can use their power to help stop bullying. We want everyone who is passionate about taking action against bullying to get involved and show others that we #ChooseRespect. The children will be taking part in activities throughout the week and as part of our Anti-Bullying Pledge, we would like to invite Parents/Guardians to attend an 'Anti-Bullying Showcase Assembly' on Thursday, 15th November at 2:15 p.m. in school.

ODDSOCKS: As part of the work we are doing for this year's anti-bullying, we are asking all of our **children, parents and staff to wear their oddest socks on Monday** - it's all part of us expressing our individuality whilst remembering that we are all equal.

ANTI-BULLYING PRODUCTION: Yesterday, the children enjoyed an entertaining yet educational play called 'Bully's Paradise' where real life actors performed a typical bullying scenario that may occur in a primary school.

#Anti-Bullying Week

PARLIAMENT WEEK 12th -16th NOVEMBER

UK Parliament Week is an annual festival that engages people of all ages across the UK with Parliament, explores what it means to them and empowers them to get involved. This year, we would like the children to look at democracy in the UK and understand that their voices matter. The children will be taking part in activities throughout the week that include holding class debates, learning about parliament and looking more closely at the suffragette movement for the #100YearsVotesForWomen. Keep a lookout for Parliament Week on our school Facebook page!

PUPIL VOICE: Last half term our JLT asked our pupils about where they think our Manchester Bee, 'Bee Greatful', should be permanently situated within the school grounds. The children have decided upon the Peace Garden and he will soon be buzzing off to his new home. #PupilVoice

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM: The JLT will be meeting Miss Withers on Monday to decide upon an area of school improvement that is important to them as representatives of their peers.

DINNER MONEY: Dinner money for the rest of this half term will be £67.50 (6 weeks). Don't forget to pay on Agora. Many thanks for your co-operation.

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL: Mrs Holt continues to be absent from her duties at the moment. In order to ensure the safety of all road users, parents are asked to be extra vigilant when using the zebra crossing both as drivers and as pedestrians.

QUIZ NIGHT: Father Jim's Quiz Night was a fantastic success on Wednesday evening. Our Gift team did really well too as they presented their very own 'Geography Round' to all of the participating teams. Father Jim announced that over £400 was raised for his chosen charity- The Good Life Orphanage. Thank you to those children and parents who came along to support.

MATHLETE OF THE WEEK: This week's winners are: Reception: Musie (3886 pts), Year 1 - Joshua (1570pts), Year 3 - John (3344pts), Year 4 - Basin (2976pts), Year 5 - Stephanie (6084pts) Year 6-Cleve (5070pts), and the whole school winner goes to..... Samuel (Year 2) with an impressive 11,176 points!!!! Well done Mathletes!!

HOUSE POINT HEADQUARTERS: Our house point captains have been busy collecting all points accumulated this week. The winners this week are St. Luke with (207points), 2nd- St. John (203 pts) 3rd -St. Mark (188pts) 4th - St Matthew (79pts).

FACEBOOK: If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so that 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!



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, 13 th November	Remembrance Service - 9:30 a.m. in the school hall - all welcome.
Wednesday, 14 th November	Year 2 Football at the Etihad Stadium.
Wednesday, 14 th November	Debate Mate Team meeting for selected Y5 and Y6 - 3:20 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
Thursday, 15 th November	Anti-Bullying showcase assembly-2:15 p.m. in the hall. Parents welcome.
Friday, 16 th November	Non-Uniform Day. Red and Christmassy donations for the Christmas Fair
Monday, 19 th November	4:00 p.m. -5:30 p.m. Year 5 Girl's Football @ MCA.
Friday, 30 th November	Stay and Play for Nursery and Reception parents 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Mrs Leydon, the Abiodun family, Mrs Lee, Angeline Holt, Selina Higson & family, Mrs Akujee & family. 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.