

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

17th May 2024

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WEEKEND MASSES - Come to the table, everyone is welcome!

Saturday: Vigil Mass -6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

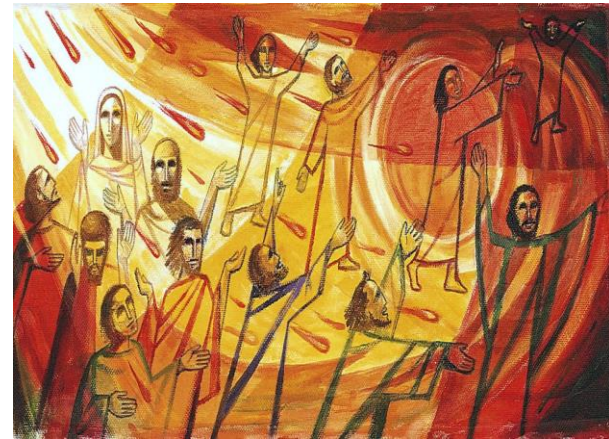
Sunday: 11:00 a.m. at St. Malachy's

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 Paul after one of the weekend Masses listed above. Alternatively, Father Paul can be contacted on 07764791889 or at paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

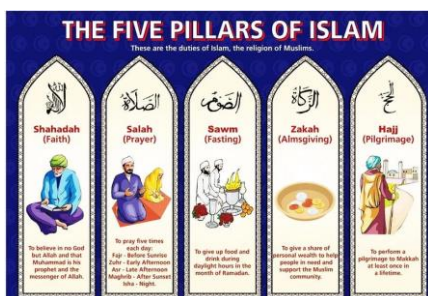
Next week, our statement to live is:

'I listen to what you say. I show that I am listening to you.'

PENTECOST: This coming Sunday, your parish church will be celebrating a great and joyful feast, Pentecost Sunday. It is the feast of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church, a gift which we now receive at Baptism, Confirmation, and at Mass. In this Sunday's Gospel, the risen Jesus offers his disciples the Holy Spirit and inner peace so that they would never be alone, to strengthen them, and to be their helper forever. Jesus never wants us to be fearful, lonely, or disturbed, and he also offers us the gift of the Holy Spirit. This true, lasting peace, offered by Jesus (the removal of all anxiety, worry, and envy), comes only from God. It is not dependent on peaceful conditions; we can experience it even in the midst of turmoil and uncertainty. Enjoy a very special time together this weekend, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this week's word, which is PENTECOST.



'The extraordinary outpouring of Pentecost is an event that continues. The Holy Spirit transforms us and wants us to transform the world.' (Pope Francis)



WORLD FAITH WEEK: Next week we will be learning about another of our world religions - the Islam faith. Children will learn about the similarities and differences compared to our own faith. They will have fun learning about the various traditions and what children of the same age learn and experience.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS: 5 out of our 8 classes were attendance heroes last week which is super impressive! Congratulations to the children and parents in Year 5 with a winning score of 99.6%. Congratulations children! We hope that now we have better weather, children can enjoy better health as they get their fill of vitamin D!



Nursery - 95.3%	Reception - 98.2%	Year 1 - 94.6%	Year 2 - 96.3%
Year 3 - 97.1%	Year 4 97.3%	Year 5 - 99.6%	Year 6 - 98.9%
Overall total 97.1%			

CURRICULUM NEWS: We've had yet another busy week! The mixed girls/boys football team showed great skills of teamwork, co-operation and perseverance at the St. Matthew's football tournament on Monday! They are very proud of their medals! Our lunchtime clubs were in full flow - we've had coding club, book club, rock band and choir this week. Our pupil leaders don't need any reminding and love this responsibility of nurturing our young talent. Year 3 are continuing to focus on their preparation for First Holy Communion as they learn about the choices we make and the subsequent consequences. Year 5 have been writing their letters of application to Mrs Clinton for their prefect roles. Will they be invited to interview?!



STAY & PLAY: It was wonderful to see so many parents/carers earlier in the week who were able to come to our stay and play session. The children absolutely love showing you how well they play. It was fantastic to see parents engaging in purposeful conversations with the children about each of the activities. We hope you enjoyed it as much as the children did! The next session is only next Thursday at the same time of 9.15 a.m. and the focus will be on language and literacy with lots of tips for parents to use at home. Please do come along!

YEAR 4 VISIT: Our Year 4 class will be visiting Manchester's Science and Industry Museum on 21st May 2024. Parents, please pay your £5 donation on School Gateway by Monday at the very latest.

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **Ask your child to make predictions about what they are about to read.** If it is a book, look at the front cover—or the last chapter—and talk about what might happen next. Look for clues in the book and be a reading detective! For example, 'can you see the bear on the front cover? Where do you think he will go?'



HOLIDAY MEAL VOUCHERS: Manchester City Council has again approved funding for supermarket vouchers for the May half term break to help with the financial pressures that many of our families will face. Families with children eligible for free school meals (FSM) will receive a £15.00 e-voucher from Wonde on Wednesday, 22nd May. This voucher can be redeemed at a supermarket of your choice.



WHIT HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES: Whit half term football and tennis camps. Tuesday, 28th - Friday, 31st May 2024 9.30 a.m. -3.30 p.m. Ages 5-12 beginners very welcome, all equipment provided. Please book online through the Better UK app or website - <https://betterflow.courseprogress.co.uk/onlinejoining/home>



Year 6 SATs

PROUD: We were extremely proud of our Year 6 children this week as it was their time to shine and show off all that they've learnt whilst being in KS2. They've worked really hard towards these exams and now they can get back to their usual learning as well as preparing to transition to high school. Well done children and thank you to our Year 6 team of staff who have helped prepare the children so well.

SPORTS DAY: Weather permitting, this year's sports day will be on Wednesday, 22nd May - yes, earlier than usual! Please put the date and times in your diaries:

9:30 a.m. - Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2

12:30 p.m. - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

Children will need to come to school in their P.E. kit of white t-shirts with blue or black shorts.



ONLINE SAFETY: Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you. But it's easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks. If this is something you'd like some support with, please have a word with your child's teacher.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: This is a reminder to all parents/carers whose children attend after school club. Our club finishes at 4:15 p.m. and we do not have staffing capacity after this time. This means we expect parents to be here, ready to collect at 4:15 p.m. Any parents who are late collecting on two occasions, their child will lose their place. Thank you for your co-operation.

END OF YEAR TRIPS: These trips aren't far off now and we really need to get donations in from parents if they are to go ahead. Staff are very busy planning them but we won't be able to afford to go if we don't get payments in. Please get your £15 paid on School Gateway by next Friday, 24th May. Many thanks for your co-operation.



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 during the week and they'll post photos also! Search us as St. Edmund's Manchester and we should pop up!

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Jacob Obiadazie (RIP) and family, Margaret Williams, Angeline Holt, Alice Ritchie, Leanne Clegg, Jo Phillips, our Y3 children, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul & Father Moses, the Presentation Sisters, our children and staff, all those working with environment agencies, the homeless & rough sleepers, CAFOD, Caritas, the Lalley Centre and all other private intentions at this time.



2024 THE YEAR OF PRAYER: Pope Francis has declared 2024 as a special Year of Prayer. Here is a bedtime prayer for you to say with your children this week: **Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to gain strength and courage from the Holy Spirit. We pray for our Year 3 children as they prepare for their Holy Communion. Amen.**

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

DIARY DATES:

DATE	YEAR GROUP/S	ACTIVITY
Monday, 20 th May	Year 5	Prefect interviews with Mrs Clinton Marvellous Monday - outstanding behaviour reward for the winning house
Tuesday, 21 st May	Year 4	Trip to MOSI (£5 donation)
Wednesday, 22 nd May	All classes	SPORTS DAY 9.30 a.m. Nursery & Reception, Y1 & Y2 12.30 p.m. Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Thursday, 23 rd May	Nursery & Reception	Literacy workshop for parents 9:15 a.m.
Summer 2 term		
Tuesday, 4 th June	Nursery & Reception	Trip to Smithills Farm - £15 (non-uniform)
Wednesday, 5 th June	Years 4, 5 & 6	Mass in the hall, led by Y6
Friday, 7 th June	Year 6	'It's not cricket'
10 th - 14 th June	Years 1 -6	Assessment week
Thursday, 13 th June	Years 5 & 6	Workshop for parents & children on the dangers of knife crime - 11:00 a.m.
Monday, 17 th June	Year 3	Sacramental Programme meetings for parents 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 18 th June	Nursery & Reception	Stay & Play with parents 9:15 a.m.
Friday, 21 st June	Year 3	Rehearsal in church for Holy Communion
Sunday, 23 rd June	Year 3	Holy Communion Mass for families - 9:15 a.m.
Tuesday, 25 th June	Year 3	'Portals in the Past' History workshop
Wednesday, 26 th June	Years 1-6	Holy Communion Mass celebration, official photographer and party day for Year 3 - 9:15 a.m.
Thursday, 27 th June	Year 1	Trip to Gulliver's World - £15
Friday, 28 th June	Year 6	8 children to compete 'in court!'
2 nd - 5 th June	Year 6	Residential to Aberdaron - £100
Monday, 1 st July	Year 3	Trip to Venture Out - £15
Wednesday, 3 rd July	Year 2	Trip to Bewilderwood - £15
Friday, 5 th July	Nursery & Reception	Stay & Play with parents
Sunday, 7 th July	Parish event	Madonna Del Rosario Procession 1:15 pm from St. Michael's Church, Ancoats
Tuesday, 9 th July	Year 4	Trip to Graystones - £15
Wednesday, 10 th July	Nursery & Reception	Mass led by Reception - 9:15 a.m.
Wednesday, 10 th July	Year 5	Trip to Venture Out - £15
Monday, 15 th July	All classes	'Moving on up' - transition day
Tuesday, 16 th July	Years 1 - 6	Final Mass for Y6 leavers - 9:15 a.m.
Tuesday, 16 th July	All classes	'Edmundsbury' music festival - 1:30 p.m. Dress ready to 'fest'
Friday, 19 th July	Final assembly - 9:15 a.m. School closes for the summer break - 1:00 p.m.	