



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

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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

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

Our Statement to live by next week is:

'I KNOW WHAT HUMAN DIGNITY MEANS AND I SHOW THAT I RESPECT OTHERS.'



KEEP CALM: The more we get to know God, the more at peace and calmer we become. In this Sunday's Gospel, when the storm starts tossing the boat around, the disciples still don't seem to recognise that Jesus is in control. But, with just a few words, he shows his divine power by calming the wind and the sea. Jesus reassures us that putting our trust in him stops us from worrying about so many unnecessary things.

Storms, stress and upsets can sometimes be part of our lives. Yet, when they pass and we look carefully, we can often learn something about the world, about ourselves, and about how Jesus is always there to bring peace and calm.

"One of the greatest gifts the Holy Spirit can bestow on us is to give us calm in the midst of trouble." (St Claude de la Colombiere)

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS: The attendance figures for each class for last week can be found in the table below. Congratulations to the Reception class who managed to surpass the whole school attendance target of 97%. Miss Cox rewarded the children with an additional break time this week. Please help us to do our job by keeping us informed if your child is going to be absent from school and continue to encourage your child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time). Thank you parents/carers for your continued support and cooperation.



Nursery: 94.5%	Reception: 97.5%	Year 1: 88.9%	Year 2: 93.7%
Year 3: 95.7%	Year 4: 96.1%	Year 5: 95.2%	Year 6: 96.1%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 94.8%			

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **TALK ABOUT THE JOY OF READING WHENEVER YOU CAN.** Your child is on an amazing journey to becoming a reader. Why not put them in the driving seat and have fun on the way! For example, 'Why don't you choose your favourite story for bedtime tonight?' 'Let's download an audio book and listen to that in the car!'



MANCHESTER'S BABY WEEK 8 - 13 July 2024: This six-day programme is filled with FREE, fun activities and events that are designed to support your child's development from conception to 2 years old. There's something for everyone, like workshops, play sessions, free swimming, and much more. The events are carefully designed to help your child learn, all whilst having a blast! Baby Week is city-wide, with events taking place in Manchester's cultural venues, leisure centres, your local Sure Start Children's Centres and Family Hubs, finishing with Family Fun Days in parks on Saturday. See what's on near you and get involved:

www.manchester.gov.uk/Baby-Week

SAFETY IN THE SUNSHINE: The weather forecast next week is for warmer temperatures and sunshine (at last!). To ensure that we can all enjoy the sunshine as well as staying safe. Let's work together:

What can parents do? Please keep the footwear safe - NO flip flops, sliders, open toe shoes - these are not suitable for school. Children also need to wear socks to protect their feet. Please apply suncream to any exposed skin before coming to school. Provide sun hats/caps, sunglasses. Please send in a bottle of water so this can be refilled throughout the day.

What will staff in school do? We will ensure your child is hydrated with plenty of water. Help children to spend time in shaded areas outside and classrooms will be well ventilated. Additional breaks from school work for rest times. Calming activities inside following time outside.



KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOP: It was with deep regret that we needed to postpone the knife crime workshop for our Year 5 and 6 pupils and their parents/carers last week. The good news is that the lady delivering the workshop has managed to fit us in with an alternative date before we break up for the summer holidays. We are delighted about this as our staff feel that the workshop will be of great benefit to our Year 5 but especially our Year 6 pupils as they transition to their respective high schools. The amended date is **Monday, 15th July at 11:00 a.m.** We look forward to seeing as many parents and carers there as possible.



HERE TO HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING: Are you claiming all of the benefits that you're entitled to? Use one of these benefits calculators to determine whether there are any benefits that you could be claiming: Click on [Turn2us](#) or [Policy in Practice](#)

Click on [Support for migrant families](#) and use this calculator if you are a migrant family, or if you have no recourse to public funds (meaning you're not entitled to the majority of welfare benefits)

You may be able to get benefits paid early if you need cash urgently - this is known as 'a short-term benefit advance'. You will need to contact the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) office that is handling your claim.

E-SAFETY TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **REMEMBER, YOU'RE IN CHARGE!**

No matter what, remember you're the parent/carer. Set boundaries and consider using filtering software and parent controls on devices (but be aware that this is only part of the solution). There are a lot of options for parental controls on the market. This guide from Common Sense Media is a useful starting point to figure out what might work for your family. <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>





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: Anthony Donovan (RIP), Margaret Banks, 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. Why not say this prayer at bedtime with your child this week: **Dear Lord Jesus, please help me to stay calm when life is stormy and show me how I can help others to stay calm too. Amen.**

DIARY DATES:

DATE	YEAR GROUP/S	ACTIVITY
Sunday, 23 rd June	Year 3	Holy Communion Mass for families - 9.15 a.m.
Monday, 24 th June	Year 6	Camping meeting for parents 3.30 p.m. & 5.00 p.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 & party day for Y3 - 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'!
Monday, 1 st July	Year 3	Trip to Venture Out - £15
2 nd - 5 th July	Year 6	Residential to Aberdaron - £100
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
Monday 15 th July (rearranged date)	Years 5 & 6	Workshop for parents & children on the dangers of knife crime - 11:00 a.m.
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. Children to wear full school uniform School closes for the summer break - 1.00 p.m.	

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