



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

20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Tel: 0161-205-1700

Weekend 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: <https://stpatricksliveseyst.yolasite.com/>

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

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

### Our Statement to live by next week is:

'I KNOW I BELONG IN A COMMUNITY THAT INCLUDES MY SCHOOL.'



**SERVING:** In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus once again reminds the disciples - and us too - that a life of service is the best life to live. Life can be so busy, full of the things we really like doing, that it's quite easy to forget about serving others. The Church teaches that we grow in the love of God through serving each other. One of the oldest titles for the Pope is 'The Servant of the servants of God'. This emphasises the importance which the Church places on service. Jesus lived a life of service. Family and school life become more joyful when we follow Jesus' example and live as God intends. So enjoy your weekend together - bring peace and joy into your home and community through serving each other.

*"Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others." (Pope Francis)*

### **ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTER:**

We have some very happy attendance ambassadors this week. We have a complete turn around in our results from last week. Everyone in school is trying their very best to be an attendance HERO! Congratulations to lots of children and families who were in school every day AND on time last week.

The results are in and we can't wait to find out which class will win the ice-cream party at the end of the month!



Nursery: 87.5%	Reception: 97.7%	Year 1: 97.4%	Year 2: 98.6%
Year 3: 99.3%	Year 4: 100%	Year 5: 99%	Year 6: 99%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 98.1%			

**PRAYER & WORSHIP:** Our Mass on Wednesday certainly fits in with our thoughts for this week - service and leadership. Father Moses was delighted to commission and bless our pupil leaders during Mass. We have brand new altar servers from Year 4, the Junior Leadership Team representing all classes, the Year 5 leadership teams - GIFT team, digital leaders, urban crew, ambassadors for change, house captains, nurture champions and of course our prefects for the year. The children are looking forward to fulfilling their leadership roles this year and helping to shape the future of our school.

#service#leadership#responsibility#proud



**ST. MATTHEW'S OPEN EVENING:** Calling all Year 5 & 6 pupils and parents. St. Matthew's invite you to an open evening on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October between 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. This event promise to be really informative and useful which will help you and your child as they either transition to high school or choose their high school. *The deadline for parents to choose their child's Y7 place at high school is 5.00 p.m., Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October. Don't leave it until the last minute!!*

**PUPIL UPDATE FORMS:** FINAL REMINDER: Each year, we have to update our school IT system so it is imperative that we have the correct contact details, medical information, emergency contacts for each and every child in the school. Please click on the link below to update for each of your children.

<https://forms.gle/acFDn43QnG3AByb8A>

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME:** Year 3 parents - it is your first meeting on Monday to sign up, enroll for the programme and prepare for the first celebration - the Rite of Presentation. Please dig out your child's baptismal candle (you were asked to keep it safe when your child was baptised) and bring it to the meeting. Father Moses will be joining us on Monday and is looking forward to meeting with you and the children. Please come to the Year 6 classroom at either 3.30 p.m. or 5.00 p.m.



**READING TOP TIP:** Our top tip this week is: **Enjoy bedtime stories.** Read with your child at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them. Sharing a book at bedtime helps develop your child's vocabulary, gets them used to the idea of regular reading, and gives you both a great opportunity to bond.

**OFSTED INSPECTION:** Parents may recall that the school underwent an Ofsted inspection in the final week of term. A number of parents spoke to the inspectors to give your views about the school - thank you for your contribution. The report is attached to this correspondence for your information. It is also available on the Ofsted website as well as the school website.

**PHOTOGRAPHS:** Your child should have brought home the 'proof' of their annual school photograph. Parents need to make payment on line with John Hunt photography. These photographs do make fantastic Christmas presents for loved ones and provide wonderful memories of your child - we all know, they grow up so fast!

**COLLECTION POINTS AT HOME TIME:** Home time is a busy time and our staff have a big responsibility to ensure that your child is handed over to the parent/guardian who is coming to collect. We have put a one way system in place to help keep everyone in the community safe. Yes, this means, parents/guardians have further to walk because you have to walk the perimeter of the school. We have 250 children that need to be dismissed so let's all work together so this is done in an orderly and safe fashion. Nursery, Reception, Year 1 - parents to collect from the classroom door. From Monday, Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 - parents to collect from the main playground. Thank you for your co-operation.

**SCHOOL GATEWAY:** As you are aware, we have moved to a new online payment system called School Gateway. Thank you to all the parents who have registered so far. If you are struggling to register or download the app please come and speak to the office staff who can help. This new app is a way for parents to keep up to date with what is happening in school and to pay for any dinner money, breakfast club or trips.

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.schoolcomms.sga>

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/school-gateway/id596039615?ign-mpt=uo%3D4>

**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: Moira Murray (RIP) and family, Leanne Clegg (RIP) and family, the Ganley family, Jo Phillips and family, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, CAFOD, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul, Father Moses, the Presentation Sisters, the Missionary Brothers of Charity, our children and staff and all those called to be involved in Education, and all other private intentions at this time.



**BEDTIME PRAYER:** Dear Lord Jesus, you served others. Please help me to follow your example so that my home, my school and my community may be filled with your love. Amen

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Sacramental Programme - first meetings @ 3.30 & 5.00 p.m.
Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Y5&6 girls' football festival at MCA after school with Miss Bevan Parents to collect from MCA
Tuesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Year 5 GIFT team visit Christ the King school with other cluster primary schools
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Stay and play for Nursery and Reception parents in the hall - 9.15 a.m.
Friday, 4 <sup>th</sup> October	CAFOD Harvest Fast Day - brighten up for CAFOD (50p donation) WEAR YOUR BRIGHTEST CLOTHES
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	St. Matthew's open evening 4.30 - 6.30 p.m. for Y5 & 6 families
Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Rite of Presentation celebration Mass for Y3 families, 9.15 a.m.
Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Mass for Years 1, 2 & 3 (led by Y3)
Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest festival assembly - collection of dried/tinned foods NON-UNIFORM DAY
Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> October	World Faith Week - learning more about Sikhism
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Non-Uniform Day in aid of school fund School closes at the usual time for 2 weeks

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