

Newsletter 7: Friday 18th October 2019

Dear Parents,

Parent Consultations – the Classteachers are looking forward to meeting with you next week at our Parent Consultation evenings. We will do our best to stick to the timings and would much appreciate you being on time for your appointment as well. There will be a film showing in the staffroom where your child may be left for the duration of the appointment (only school-age children may use this facility). Please remember to take time to go with your child to look at their work in the classroom.



Harvest – thank you all very much for the wonderful donations for the harvest liturgy last week. In the event, it was split between the food bank and the Cellar Café in Godalming.

It is amazing to think that there is only one more week before we close for the half-term holiday. Time flies, especially when you're having fun! This week, the children of Year 5 enjoyed their trip to Chertsey Museum where they dressed up as and learned about the ancient Greeks. The children of Year 4 really enjoyed a visit to the Poppy Factory in Richmond where they learned how all those remembrance poppies are made, and even had a go at making one for themselves. Four of our children went on a trip to Christ's Hospital School (in Horsham) for a choral singing day. They worked hard in a number of singing workshops, learning to sing in harmony and parts, along with almost 200 children from other schools. The day culminated in a wonderful concert. Do take a moment to read the Headteacher's blog where there is a lot more information about what the children have been doing each week.



Year 6 applications for secondary school – please be reminded that the deadline for making your online application to Surrey County Council for a place at secondary school is fast approaching. Although the deadline is 31st October, SCC has recommended making the application by 25th October which is the Friday of next week.



Correct money and an envelope please – if you come to the office to pay for something, please ensure that you bring the correct cash, as change cannot be given. Please also ensure that you bring an envelope with you into which to put your money – the school cannot always provide one. Thank you for your attention to this.

Dinner money – dinner money for the second half of the term is £79.90 for children in Key Stage Two who receive a school dinner. Children from Reception to Year 2 receive free school dinners. Please ensure that you keep your account in credit as the term progresses. **Changing dinner arrangements?** – please ensure that, if you wish to change your child's dinner arrangements, you give the office a week's notice. Thank you.

Parents' Forum – this forum meets once each half term on a Wednesday afternoon, normally at 2.15pm. Ideally there should be two reps from each class. As you can see from the grid below, there are some gaps. Please be in touch with the office or Mrs Higgins if you would be interested in being a rep for Reception, Years 3, 4 or 5. The next meeting is **Wednesday 23rd October**.

| Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| | Ms Bryant Ms Flick | Mrs Elias Mrs Ayres | Mrs Turner | Mrs Groome | Mrs Panzini | Mrs Chare Mrs Rees |



Weekday Masses in the parish – Fr Jonathan would love to welcome you to the parish weekday Masses. Starting at 9.30am and lasting just 25 minutes, they are in Milford on Wednesdays and Fridays, and in Godalming on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please keep an eye on the parish newsletter as Masses are subject to change from time to time if Father Jonathan has commitments elsewhere.

The Pen Shop – Monday and Friday lunchtimes: ordinary pencils 10p; push pencils 30p (KS2 only); rubbers 5p; short rulers 10p; long rulers 15p; handwriting pens 25p; glue sticks 40p; sharpeners 25p; reading records 25p; homework diaries 30p and highlighters 50p. Please ensure that your child does not bring unduly large amounts of cash to school as nothing costs more than 40p.



Headteacher's Blog – every Friday Mrs Higgins writes about what has been happening in school during the week in her Headteacher's Blog in the website. Do remember to have a look every week to keep yourselves up to date by clicking on this link. <https://www.stedmundschool.co.uk/blog/?pid=14&nid=10>

Children's Liturgy – these take place during Mass every Sunday at St John's (Farncombe) 8.45am and St Joseph's (Milford) 10.15am. Please note that there will be no session for the School Mass during half-term, on 3/11 or 24/11.

Christmas Market Saturday 7th December (11am to 2pm). Details will soon be given regarding what each class will be doing for the market. In the meantime, if you have ideas for raffle prizes, external stalls or anything else, please email the PSA on stedmundspsachair@gmail.com



A quick and easy way in which to raise funds for the PSA is to log on to or download the **Easyfundraising** app and enjoy some guilt-free online shopping with leading retailers. Here is the link: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

Be in it to win it! If you want the chance to win some cash, then buy a **St Edmund's Lottery** ticket this term, with 40p in every £1 going towards school funds. Here's the link to more information: www.yourschoolottery.co.uk

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Fri 18 Oct | 3.30pm Cake Sale (Y2) 3.30pm PSA Halloween Costume Sale 5.30pm KS1 Disco (ends 6.40pm) 6.50pm KS2 Disco (ends 8pm) | Fri 6 Dec | PSA Mufti Day (bottles) 3.30pm Film Show |
| Mon 21 Oct | Parent Consultations 3.40-6.30pm | Sat 7 Dec | 11am PSA Christmas Market (ends 2pm) |
| Wed 23 Oct | 2.15pm Parents' Forum Parent Consultations 3.40-6pm | Tue 10 Dec | 2pm Y5+6 Christmas Performance |
| Fri 25 Oct | 3.30pm close for half-term | Thu 12 Dec | 6pm Y5+6 Christmas Performance |
| Mon 4 Nov | INSET DAY – school closed | Fri 13 Dec | Christmas Lunch TBC 5.30pm KS1 Disco (ends 6.40pm) 6.50pm KS2 Disco (ends 8pm) |
| Tue 5 Nov | Children return to school | Tue 17 Dec | 9.30am End-of-Term Mass 3pm Rock Steady Concert 5pm Crib Building service at Ladywell |
| Wed 6 Nov | 9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents | Wed 18 Dec | Class parties PM |
| Sat 9 Nov | 10am Cross Country competition in Cranleigh | Thu 19 Dec | 9.30am Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols 6pm Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols |
| Wed 13 Nov | Y2 to Hampton Court Palace Y1 Seaside workshop (in school) 9.05am RSE talk (parents of all year groups) | Fri 20 Dec | 1pm Carols in the hall; 2pm early close |
| Fri 15 Nov | 9.05am Y3 Assembly | THIS YEAR'S DATES (2019-2020) | |
| Tue 19 Nov | 3.30pm talk to Y5 parents re Bude | AUT: 4 Sep-20 Dec 2019 (half-term w/c 28 Oct) | |
| Wed 20 Nov | 2pm St Edmund's Day Mass | SPR: 6 Jan-3 Apr 2020 (half-term w/c 17 Feb) | |
| Fri 22 Nov | Y4 to New Victoria Theatre, Woking | SUM: 20 Apr-22 Jul 2020 (half-term w/c 25 May) | |
| Fri 29 Nov | PSA Mufti Day (sweets) | INSET DAYS 2019-2020 | |
| Wed 4 Dec | 2pm KS1 Christmas Performance | Wed 4 Sept & Mon 4 Nov 2019 | |
| Thu 5 Dec | 9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance | Fri 14 Feb, Fri 12 June & Wed 22 July 2020 | |

Ethos Statement 6: I understand that rights match responsibility.

We pray together: Father, help us to understand that our right to live peacefully means that we have to create peace with those around us. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.



The Pope Speaks: There are two paths in today's Church: the Church of those who stick to their ideologies, and the Church that shows the Lord approaches all realities, that He feels no revulsion; our sins do not disgust Him, He approaches us as He approached the lepers and the sick.

Money Matters: second half of the Autumn Term 2019

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £79.90 (34 days at £2.35; Tues 5th Nov – Fri 20th Dec 2019)
Governors' Fund: £20 per family per term, cheques payable to "A&B Diocesan Trust St Edmund's"
Outings: Cheques payable to "St Edmund's School Fund" or pay online via PMX ParentMail
PSA Website: www.stedmundschoolpsa.co.uk

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| Confused by educational jargon? | Try our glossary or Frequently Asked Questions pages under "School Information" |
| Still confused? | Then info@stedmunds.surrey.sch.uk or 01483 414497 |
| Dates for the year ahead | http://www.stedmundschool.co.uk/calendar/?calid=1,2,3&pid=14&viewid=1 |
| Copies of the newsletters | http://www.stedmundschool.co.uk/page/?title=Newsletters&pid=93 |
| Clubs booking forms | http://www.stedmundschool.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs+and+Activities&pid=34 |

Attachments: Chertsey Museum flier