

Newsletter 25: Friday 26th March 2021

Dear Parents,

**Please remember that we close for the Easter holidays
at the earlier time of 2pm next Thursday, 1st April**

Book Character Dressing-Up Day – it was great to see all the children come to school today dressed as their favourite book character. We enjoyed a whole-school parade around the Key Stage One playground to admire everyone's efforts to dress up.



Covid-19 testing for households and bubbles of school pupils – anyone who is in the same household, childcare bubble or support bubble as a school pupil or someone who works in a school, nursery or college, is eligible for twice-weekly symptom-free testing. The lateral flow tests are for symptom-free testing only and are not for use on primary age children. If a child shows COVID symptoms, they must still book a PCR test (for people showing symptoms <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>). Please read 'How to get a test in Surrey' and full details: [COVID-19 Testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and of staff](#).

Become a cycling instructor! – the Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council is recruiting for Bikeability Cycling Instructors. If you are interested in finding out more about this role, then click on this link: <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs/search/details?id=12911>



School Dinners – going out with this newsletter is the menu for Spring/Summer 2021. Please don't forget that the office needs a week's notice in writing for any change of dinner arrangement.

Clubs next term – we are really delighted that some clubs will be able to start again next term:

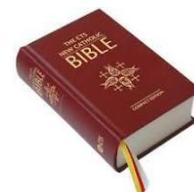
Monday	Sewing	Marta Doroszkiwicz	Y2	3.30-4.40pm
Wednesday	Gardening	Mrs Patrick & Mr Judge	Y1	Lunchtime
	Rounders	Mrs McCarthy	Y5 (to half-term)	3.30-4.45pm
			Y6 (after half-term)	3.30-4.45pm
Thursday	Football	Planet Education	Y3+4	3.30-4.30pm
	Basketball	Kidz B-Ballin'	Y4-6	7.45-8.45am
	Football	Planet Education	Y1+2	3.30-4.30pm
Friday	Hockey	Mrs McCarthy	Y4	3.30-4.30pm

We have put onto our website the booking forms and information for the externally-run clubs (Sewing, Planet Education and Basketball). Parentmail Forms will be sent out in due course for the school-run clubs.

Xplorers – also going out with this newsletter is a flier from Waverley Borough Council giving information about exciting events for children over the Easter holidays.

Parish items

- The **Parish Easter Egg Hunt** – for more information please contact Alan and Nicki Lion on 01483 420859 or alion@btinternet.com
- **Good Friday Pilgrim Trail and Quiz around the churches of Godalming** – organised by Churches Together in Godalming (CTiG), this is an original and creative alternative to the annual Walk of Witness. Maps and Quiz going out with this newsletter.
- **Stations of the Cross for families with primary age children.** This takes place at 10.00am on Good Friday at St Joseph's. Please book on Eventbrite if you would like to attend: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-edmunds-parish-30558842926>
- **The parish Livesimply group** is organising a collection of Catholic bibles at the request of the Catholic chaplain at HMP Downview, a prison for young offenders in Sutton. If you have a spare Catholic bible at home which you no longer use perhaps you could consider this might be a valuable gift to a prisoner, whose life may be transformed by it? Foreign language Catholic editions are also welcome. Please bring bibles to school and hand into the school office or at the back of the church by 29th March so the parish can deliver the good news in time for Easter. Please note: *we have been asked specifically for Catholic Bibles, as the prison receives bibles from the Gideon's and other organisations.*



- **Easter Services** – if you hope to attend any of the Easter services, you need to book in advance; you cannot just turn up. Here is the link to the booking form:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wtv1K-8X E6hyastxO3v0KuQN3AZ4ddNqUQ7 6JsxgRUOUU3NVBYMEFIRzZJNDhXREJJUzFTR1XQI4u>

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.stedmundsschool.co.uk/blog/?pid=14&nid=10>

Second hand uniform sale – the next sale will be held on **Friday 23rd April**.

IMPORTANT DATES	
<p><u>THIS TERM'S DATES</u> (new entries in yellow)</p> <p>Fri 26 Mar Book character dressing up day Wed 31 Mar 2pm Parents' Forum mtg Thu 1 Apr Maundy Thursday 2pm close for Easter Holiday Fri 2 Apr Good Friday Sat 3 Apr Holy Saturday Sun 4 Apr The Resurrection of Our Lord</p> <p><u>NEXT TERM</u></p> <p>Mon 19 Apr Children return to school Tue 20 Apr Y4 Bikeability (ends 22nd) Fri 23 Apr 3.30pm Second hand uniform sale Mon 3 May Bank Holiday – school closed</p>	<p><u>REMAINING DATES (2020-2021)</u></p> <p>SPR: 4 Jan-1 Apr 2021 (half-term w/c 15 Feb) SUM: 19 Apr-21 July 2021 (half-term w/c 31 May)</p> <p><u>NEXT YEAR'S DATES</u></p> <p>AUT: 6 Sep-17 Dec 2021 (half-term w/c 25 Oct) SPR: 4 Jan-1 Apr 2022 (half-term w/c 14 Feb) SUM: 19 Apr-22 Jul 2022 (half-term w/c 30 May)</p>

Ethos Statement 23: I try to keep going and not give up hope when things are difficult.

We pray together: Father, we know that life is not always easy and that there will be many obstacles. Help us, whenever we are challenged, to turn to you for wisdom, guidance and hope. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN



The Pope Speaks to us: Dear brothers and sisters, we now consider the place of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the life of prayer. All Christian prayer is modelled on Jesus' own prayer. Mary, as the mother of Jesus, has a special role in the life of all Christ's disciples. Mary is our mother, the Mother of the Church, entrusted to us by Christ from the cross. Just as she stood beneath the cross, united with Jesus in his abandonment and sorrow, so she is close with a mother's love to those who are lost or have no-one to pray for them. Surely, she has been present to so many who have died at this time of pandemic, far from the comforting presence of their loved ones. As we celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord (25th March), may we rejoice that Mary, who said 'yes' to the message of the angel, is ever ready to say 'yes' to us, interceding before her Son for our needs and for the salvation of the world.



Money Matters: first half of the Summer Term 2021	
Dinners (KS2 ONLY):	£69.60 (29 days 19 th Apr – 28 th May at £2.40 per day)
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.stedmundsschoolpsa.co.uk
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.stedmundsschool.co.uk/calendar/?calid=1,2,3&pid=14&viewid=1
Copies of the newsletters	http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/?title=Newsletters&pid=93
Clubs booking forms	http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs+and+Activities&pid=34

Attachments: Spring/Summer Menu, Xplorer flier, parish Good Friday Trail & Quiz information