

Newsletter 6: Thursday 15th October 2021

Dear Parents,

Parent Consultation bookings – we do hope that you have found it easy to book a consultation with your child's Classteacher. Click on this link if you have not yet booked your appointment <https://stedmundsprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/> If you are experiencing difficulties in accessing School Cloud, please call the office and we'll be able to book your appointment for you.



Harvest Celebration – our Harvest Liturgy is at 9.15am on Thursday next week. We will be collecting food donations for the St Mark's Community Food Bank on Franklyn Road in Godalming. They have asked for the following items: cooking oil, UHT milk, Pot Noodles (not curry), honey, chocolate spread, squash/juices and fresh vegetables. Items should be brought to school on either the Wednesday or Thursday morning.

Photographs! – the contact proof sheets of the recently taken individual and sibling photographs were sent home with the children yesterday. If you place your order by 25th October, your photos will be delivered to school free of charge. However, late orders placed after this date will incur a postage charge.

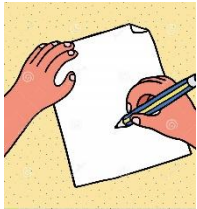


IMPORTANT REMINDER for parents of children in the KS2 choir

Today was the day by which to place your order for T-shirts and tickets. There remain a number of parents who have yet to place their order. We have therefore extended the deadline to Wednesday of next week. Thank you for your attention to this.



YOUNG VOICES



Notes please – the office is receiving an increasing number of requests to tell their child and their child's classteacher about collection arrangements. Please could we ask you to ensure that your child knows, before you leave them at school in the morning, who will be collecting them if it is not going to be yourself. Also, if your KS1 child is to be collected by someone other than yourself, please pop a note into your child's bag, marked for the attention of the Classteacher. Of course, the office is happy to pass on messages in the case of an emergency. We thank you for your attention to this.

Half-term netball – going out with this newsletter is information about a netball camp for the forthcoming half-term holiday.



Unnamed uniform! – an increasing numbers of uniform items are getting lost in school, many of the items found have no names. Please make sure that all items of uniform are named. We do thank you for your attention to this.

ADMISSIONS

Secondary school places – parents of Year 6 children must apply online for a secondary school place by 31st October.

Reception 2022 – if your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 you will need to apply for a school place between 1st November 2021 and 15th January 2022. You must do two things before 15th January 2022:

- complete and return (to the school office) the **school SIF** (application form) which can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website (School Information/Admissions then scroll down to the PDF called 'St Edmund's Godalming SIF 2022-2023').
- complete the **Surrey County Council online** application



You can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions

Want to change dinner arrangements? – please ensure that, if you wish to change your child's dinner arrangements, you give the office a week's notice in writing. Thank you.

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>



PARISH ITEMS

Baby Loss Awareness For the month of October there is a **Baby Loss Memorial** in the Lady Chapel at St Edmund's Church for anyone looking for support following the loss of a baby, for example through miscarriage, still birth, abortion or other circumstances. This is a quiet space to pray and write a message or prayer request in the memorial book. Everyone is welcome to drop in. Baby Loss Matters provides counselling support; contact by phone: 0808 802 5433 or email: help@pregnancymatters.org.uk Alternatively, for an informal chat over a cuppa, please

feel free to contact Julie Finn on 07943 675379. There will be a short service to pray for all these little ones and those who love them on 24th October at 4pm at St Edmund's church.

The annual parish Quiz Night in aid of CAFOD takes place on Friday 12th November at 7pm at St John's, Farncombe. You can either set up your own team of eight or join a team on the night. Tickets are £10 each which includes a vegetarian or vegan ploughman's supper and tickets can be booked on the parish Eventbrite, with payment via <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stedsivesimply> using your name as a payment reference. Tickets are limited so book early to avoid disappointment. For more information please contact Jo Lewry: jolewry@aol.com

Bumps and Babes This group meets on Monday mornings at 10.30am, at St John's Centre, Farncombe. All young families are welcome. More information from Eileen: eileen.hudson@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS TERM (new items in yellow)		THIS TERM continued	
Fri 15 Oct	2.30pm PSA AGM 3pm second hand uniform sale	Fri 19 Nov	9.15am St Edmund's Day Mass
Mon 18 Oct	Rabbi visit Y3-6 3.30pm Parent Consultations	Tue 23 Nov	Stargazing Evening
Tue 19 Oct	Y1 Seaside workshop	Mon 29 Nov	School closed
Wed 20 Oct	9.05am Parents' Forum 3.30pm Parent Consultations	Thu 2 Dec	Y6 to Guildford Spike
Thu 21 Oct	9.15am Harvest Liturgy	Mon 6 Dec	Y5 to Chertsey Museum 1.30pm Reindeer Run
Fri 22 Oct	National holiday - school closed Half term 25-29 Oct	Wed 8 Dec	Wintershall workshop YR+1 7pm choir to Holy Trinity, Guildford
Mon 1 Nov	INSET day - school closed	Fri 17 Dec	2pm early close for Christmas holiday
Tue 2 Nov	Children return to school	THIS YEAR'S DATES (2020-2021)	
Tue 9 Nov	Y5 Fire & Safety talk in school	AUT: 6 Sept-18 Dec 2021 (half-term w/c 25 Oct)	
Wed 10 Nov	9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents	SPR: 4 Jan-1 Apr 2022 (half-term w/c 14 Feb)	
Fri 12 Nov	Flu vaccinations YR-6	SUM: 19 Apr-22 July 2022 (half-term w/c 30 May)	
Mon 15 Nov	Start of Anti-Bullying Week	KNOWN INSET DAYS & CLOSURES	
Wed 17 Nov	Y2 to Hampton Court Palace	Aut: 6 th Sept, 8 th & 22 nd Oct, 1 st Nov, 29 th Nov 2021	
		Spr: 21 st Feb, 16 th March 2022	

Ethos Statement 5: I know what to do if I see someone being hurt.



We pray together: Father, help us to remember that you command us to take especial care of the weak, the vulnerable and anybody who is suffering. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.

The Pope Speaks: Pope Francis has just officially launched the Vatican's two-year synod process; he urged the global Catholic Church to master the "art of encounter."

Everything changes once we are capable of genuine encounters with [Jesus] and with one another, without formalism or presence, but simply as we are. This is a time to look others in the eye and listen to what they have to say, to build rapport, to be sensitive to the questions of our sisters and brothers. Every encounter, as we know, calls for openness, courage and a willingness to let ourselves be challenged by the presence and the stories of others. *Keep us from becoming a 'museum church,' beautiful but mute, with much past and little future.*



Money Matters: second half of the Autumn Term 2021

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £80.85 (33 days at £2.45; Tue 2 Nov to Fri 17 Dec, except Mon 29 Nov)
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
Clubhouse clubhouse@stedmunds.surrey.sch.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: netball flier, netball sign-up form; Rubba Duckie Swimming School flier