

Newsletter 21: Friday 11th March 2022

Dear Parents,

Helping Ukrainian Refugees – we have all been very concerned and upset with the news which has been coming out of Ukraine since the Russian invasion. Everyone is keen to help in some way. Thank you for all the useful items which have been brought to school and which will now be taken to St John's in Merrow, and then on to those in real need at this very difficult time for many.



If you would prefer to send a financial donation, then you could do so via the British Red Cross. Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/2p9eb9mr>

CAFOD – thank you to everyone who contributed to today's CAFOD Lenten Fast Day. A particular well-done to all those children who have given up their snack today in order to better understand the suffering of those who go without food in many countries around the world. If you forgot to bring your donation to school today, please do so on Monday.



The ZONES of Regulation



Zones of Regulation – thank you to those parents who were able to come and listen to Mrs Higgins and Mrs Patrick when they gave this important talk yesterday. **You can find more information on our [website](#).**

British Science Week - there is a workshop at Godalming Library at 4.30pm on Tuesday 15th March. Design an alien hand. Please follow the link to book a place. <https://sciencelive.net/event/1406/>

Surrey Arts Easter Holiday activities – here is a link to details of fun activities being run by Surrey Arts, including dance, art and music workshops. <https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/arts/music/easter-holiday-activities>



Drop-off and pick-up – some children are continuing to be dropped off too early or collected too late. Please be reminded that.

- Children should **not arrive before 8.40am** unless they are attending a club
- All children should be **in school by 8.55am**.
- Children should be collected **at 3.20pm (3.15am for Year R)**

Also, please be sure to collect your child promptly from any after-school clubs which they may attend.



The Wintershall Passion of Jesus – supported by the Mayor of London, one hundred Wintershall players bring their electric and moving portrayal of the final days of Jesus to Trafalgar Square. The 90-minute production is completely free of charge - a gift to Londoners and visitors; no tickets are required. There are performances at 12 noon and 3:15 pm. The production is open-air, with visibility maximised using large screens. There is a realistic interpretation of the crucifixion so parental guidance is advised.

School Parish Mass – we are delighted to let you know that, after an absence of two years, there will be a special School Parish Mass at 8.45am (St John's, Farncombe) on Sunday 27th March. All children and their families are invited to attend, with the children taking responsibility for the readings.

Headteacher's Blog – every week 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>

Please name all uniform items – in the light of so much unnamed lost property, please may we appeal to you all, once again, to ensure that all items of uniform are clearly named. Thank you for your attention to this.

PARISH ITEMS



Ukraine Crisis: CAFOD has launched an emergency appeal. Donations will fund the work of their partner agency Caritas Ukraine, and Caritas agencies in neighbouring countries, who are on the ground supporting families in urgent need of help. It helps CAFOD if you donate directly online: <https://cafod.org.uk/> but you can also donate through the parish using the contactless device at Mass.

Lent Early Morning Mass: During Lent there will be a 7.30am Mass, mostly at St Edmund's Church. You can find the times of all parish Masses on the calendar on the parish website: www.stedsgod.com Children's Liturgy is available at 8.45am Mass at St John's Farncombe on Sundays.

Parish Get-Together on Friday 18th March: The parish invites all school families to the Shared Supper & 'open mic' night at Milford Village Hall at 7.45pm, to mark the Solemnities of St Joseph & Dedication of St Joseph's Church. All are welcome and there's no charge. The sign up is via the calendar on the parish website. To help coordinate food and entertainment, please contact Andrew alodge@andrewlodge.co.uk or post your offers to the Padlet <https://tinyurl.com/2j28kx4p>

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS TERM (new dates in yellow)

Tue 15 Mar Y2 to Brooklands Museum
 Wed 16 Mar **INSET DAY – school closed**
 Thu 17 Mar Y6 Lenten workshop at Wintershall
 Tue 22 Mar Y4 to Rugged Earth
 Fri 25 Mar **3pm Mothers Day Celebration YR**
 Y4 parents talk re Sayers Croft
 Sun 27 Mar 8.45am School Mass at St John's in Farncombe
 Tue 29 Mar 2.45pm Rock Steady concert
 Wed 30 Mar Y6 Passion Play (for parents)
 2.30pm Parents' Forum

THIS TERM cont ...

Thu 31 Mar KS2 School Council to Westminster
 Fri 1 Apr **2pm** close for Easter holiday

THIS YEAR'S DATES (2021-2022)

SPR: 4 Jan-1 Apr 2022 (half-term w/c 14 Feb)
 SUM: 19 Apr-22 July 2022 (half-term w/c 30 May)

KNOWN INSET DAYS & CLOSURES

Aut: 6th Sept, 8th & 22nd Oct, 1st Nov, 29th Nov 2021
 Spr: 21st Feb, 16th March 2022



Ethos Statement 21: I know that it is OK for me to make mistakes



We pray together: Father, remembering that you forgive us when we make mistakes, help us to forgive and be patient with those around us who make mistakes. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN

The Pope Speaks: I express my heartfelt plea to secure humanitarian corridors and to guarantee and facilitate the access of aid to people under siege, to offer basic help to our brothers and sisters oppressed by bombs and fear. I thank all those who are welcoming refugees.



Money Matters: second half of the Spring Term 2022

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £68.60 (28 days at £2.45; Tue 22 Feb to Fri 1 April 2022)
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
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Clubs booking forms	http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/?title=Clubs+and+Activities&pid=34

Safeguarding at St Edmund's

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) who is **Mrs Higgins**, or the two Deputy DSLs, **Mrs Patrick** and **Mrs Shorten**.



Attachment: Shooting Star flier