

Newsletter 22: Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Parents,



Everyone is looking very colourful today, in their yellow and blue to support the people of the Ukraine. Thank you for sending in your donations which will go to the British Red Cross.



From the PSA- We just wanted to thank the children who took part in the book sale and raised £130 for their class funds, as well as the parents who supported the quiz night last week, raising a further £200 for the school.

Please support the Easter Baking and Decorating Competition and Cake Sale on Wednesday 30th March

Save the date: **St Ed's Summer Fest Saturday 9th July 2022**

CAFOD Collection – thank you for your donations to CAFOD last Friday. We collected over £130.

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.

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.

Birdbox- It must be spring! We have spotted a pair of bluetits flying in and out of the birdbox. You can follow their progress here: <http://www.seenature.org.uk/schools/st-edmunds-cep-school/>



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 22 Mar	Y4 to Rugged Earth Y5 Learning Dome
Wed 23 Mar	Y1 walking to Holloway Hill Rec
Thu 24 Mar	Y3 'Sheep Pig' Day
Fri 25 Mar	3pm Mother's 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	9.05am Y6 Passion Play (for parents) 2.30pm Parents' Forum 3.20pm PSA Easter cake sale
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 22: I can learn from my mistakes and failures.



We pray together: Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

The Pope Speaks: He said Mariupol - the southern Ukrainian city which bears the name of the Virgin Mary - had become a city martyred by the heart-breaking war. He prayed for an end of the bombings and other attacks and for ensuring that humanitarian corridors are safe and secure.



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
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

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**.

