

Newsletter 24: Friday 1st April 2022

Dear Parents,

After a busy term, it is time to close for the Easter holiday. **Please be reminded that we finish this afternoon at the earlier time of 2pm.**

We want to take this opportunity to wish you all a very holy Holy Week and Easter. Entering into the events of Holy Week as fully as we can will ensure that we experience the joy of Easter. There are key three liturgies which form the **Easter Triduum** (the most important liturgies of the whole year): the Mass of the Lord's Supper (Maundy Thursday), the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (Good Friday) and then the Solemn Vigil of Easter (Saturday evening before Easter Sunday). Dates and times for these important liturgies are listed overleaf.



Children return to school on Tuesday 19th April (Monday 18th April is a Bank Holiday). We wish you all a wonderful Holy Week and Easter. If you are visiting family over the Easter holiday, we wish you all safe travels.

From the PSA – thank you all, very much, for the tremendous efforts which you all made with this week's Easter Baking and Decorating Competition and Cake Sale. We are delighted to announce the winners: **Aurora (R), Evie (1), Max (2), Alex (3), Felix (4), Jess (5), Harriet (6) and overall winner Catherine (5).**



Uniform – children may return to school next term wearing the summer uniform. We do appeal to you to ensure that you purchase the **correct summer dress**. That is to say, the **NAVY BLUE** version of reference code T766481 from Marks & Spencer. We are sending out the uniform list with this newsletter. Here is the [link](#).

Clubs for next term – there are now a number of booking forms on the website for those clubs which are run by external providers, i.e. tennis, sewing, judo and Kickstart. Parentmail Forms will be sent out in due course for the netball and rounders clubs. Below is an overview of the list which can also be found on the website:

DAY	WHAT	LEAD BY	FOR WHOM	TIME	FROM DATE	END DATE
Mon	Football	Kickstart	Y1+2	3.25-4.25pm	25/04	11/07
Wed	Judo	Witley Schools Judo Ltd	Y2-6	8-8.45am	27/04	13/07
	Gardening	CPa and NJ	Y1+2	Lunchtimes	TBC	TBC
	Tennis	Tennis England	All	3.25-4.25pm	27/04	22/06
	Rounders	Mrs McCarthy	5+6	3.30-4.30pm	04/05	06/07
	Football	Kickstart	Y3+4	3.25-4.20pm	27/04	13/07
Thu	Basketball	Kidz B-Ballin'	Y3-6	7.45-8.45am	28/04	07/07
	Netball	Mrs McCarthy	5+6	3.25-4.45pm	05/05	TBC
Fri	Sewing	Marta Doroszkiewicz	KS2	3.25-4.40pm	22/04	15/07



Earth Day – we are all looking forward to the assembly and activities being planned for this year's Earth Day, which will be on the Friday 22nd April. Thank you to the parents / PSA who will be leading this exciting day.

Latest school dinner menu – this has been put onto the website (school information/school dinners). We are very grateful that hot dinners are, once again, being made available at school. We think you will agree that the menu looks really appetising and healthy.

School Parish Mass – it was wonderful to see so many of our families at last Sunday's School/Parish Mass. Well done to the children who read so excellently for us. We received a number of very positive comments from parishioners about the standard of the readers. We are already looking forward to next term's School/Parish Mass.

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>



Summer Alpha We are delighted to announce our summer Alpha programme. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Each session includes supper, a short film and discussion. The course will run on Sunday evenings from Sunday 1st May, 7-9pm. Full details and registration form can be found on the parish website www.stedsgod.com (scroll down the home page). This course is for everyone, and is the ideal tonic to renew and to inspire you, especially if you feel your faith has waned as a result of recent world events. The greatest gift we can give a fellow human is faith, as unlike

every other gift, faith can last for an eternity; so, if you know of anyone who might like to come to this course, please invite them or offer to come along with them. For more information: Nicki and Alan 01483 420859 or alion@btinternet.com

Holy Week and Easter liturgy timings:

Maundy Thursday 14th April: Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Joseph's, 8pm

Good Friday 15th April: Family Stations of the Cross at St Edmund's, 10.30am;

Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday at St Joseph's, 3pm

Holy Saturday 16th April: Easter Vigil at St Joseph's, 8.30pm

Easter Sunday 17th April: Mass at St John's, 8.45am; Mass at St Joseph's, 10.30am



IMPORTANT DATES

NEXT TERM (new dates in yellow)

Mon 18 Apr **Bank Holiday – school closed**
 Tue 19 Apr Children return to school
 Y6 children to Devon
 Wed 20 Apr Police visit to YR
 Y3 swimming lessons start
 Fri 22 Apr Earth Day
 Y6 return to school
 Tue 26 Apr Author visit
 Wed 27 Apr Y4 to Sayers Croft (Ewhurst)
 Fri 29 Apr Y4 return
 3pm Y6 ice-cream/lolly sale

NEXT TERM cont...

Mon 2 May **Bank Holiday – school closed**
 Tue 3 May YR to Arundel Castle
 Mon 9 May KS2 SATs week
 Mon 16 May Whole school photo

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 24: I know that there is power in humility.

We pray together: Father, you invite us to love mercy and to walk humbly with you. Show us that mercy and humility are more powerful than anything and will lead us to you. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN



The Pope Speaks: More than a month has passed since the beginning of the invasion of Ukraine. One in two children has been displaced from the country. This means destroying the future, causing dramatic trauma in the smallest and most innocent of us. War cannot be something inevitable; we must not get used to war! Instead, we must convert today's outrage into tomorrow's commitment. Let humanity understand that the time has come to abolish war.

Money Matters: first half of the Summer Term 2022

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £68.60 (28 days at £2.45; Tue 19 Apr-Fri 27 March 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**.



Attachment: Uniform List, Parish Easter Egg Hunt Poster; Kids in the Wild poster; Rubba Duckies