

Newsletter 27: Friday 6th May 2022

Dear Parents,

First Holy Communion – we are very excited that many of our children will be making their First Holy Communion over the next two weekends. We share with them and their families their joy at this very special time in their lives. Please keep them in your prayers.



Electric Cars – there have lately been one or two near-misses with children not hearing electric cars, not helped by cars being parked illegally thereby making visibility difficult. **If you own an electric car, please be aware that pedestrians cannot hear you.**

Year 4 – well done to the children of Year 4 for this morning's assembly, which was all about the ancient Egyptians.

Jubilee! – going out with this newsletter is information from the PSA about a Great Royal Bake Off by way of celebrating the Queen's Platinum jubilee. There will be more information to follow about activities and learning that we are planning in school for our Jubilee Week which will be the week commencing 6th June.



Arundel Castle – the children of Reception Class had a brilliant time exploring the grounds and castle in Arundel. They got to climb all the way to the top of the battlements and even went into the dungeons! The highlight was when the children dressed up as knights, kings, queens and role-played life in a medieval castle.

Birdbox update – the chicks hatched last weekend! We have all enjoyed watching the parents feeding them this week. 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 don't forget to tell the office – If your child is not coming to school due to being unwell or due to an appointment of which we have not had prior notice, please call the office by 9am, which is when the registers are taken. Calling the office should have priority over messages left on SeeSaw as the office staff do not have access to SeeSaw. We do thank you for your attention to this.

Medication in school – just a little reminder that all medication must be handed in to the school office if your child is on or may need to take medication during the school day. It is most important to remove any possibility of children accessing medication without adult supervision.

The Godalming Run – this will be on Sunday 22nd May and is open to everyone for fun and fundraising. Please go to <https://www.godalmingrun.co.uk/> for more information or contact Michael O'Sullivan mosullivan03@gmail.com

Misbehaving dog? – going out last week was a flier giving details of a new prime time Channel 4 series, which is looking for misbehaving dogs and their owners.



The Pen Shop (Mon + Fri) – prices are: ordinary pencils 10p; push pencils 40p (KS2 only); rubbers 5p; short rulers 10p; long rulers 15p; handwriting pens 25p; glue sticks 30p; sharpeners 30p; reading records 30p; homework diaries 35p and highlighters 20p. AS nothing is very expensive, please ensure that children do not come with more cash than is necessary.



PSA EGM – this will be taking place virtually on Wednesday 18th May at 18:00. Please join the meeting from the comfort of your own home to find out about the projects we have delivered so far this year and, information of what is still to come. Feel free to observe the meeting or join in with questions and ideas. The more parents/carers we have involved the more joy we can bring to our children and school community. The zoom invite will be sent out nearer the date.



Road closure We have heard that the Portsmouth Road between Godalming and Milford will be closed for the morning of Sunday 15th May. If you are attending Mass at St Joseph's Milford – **or coming to the FHC Masses - please be aware**; and advise any FHC guests in case you/they need to allow extra time and make a detour.

Parish Forum This takes place on **Wednesday 18th May** at 8pm in the school hall, with refreshments served from 7.30pm, and all are warmly invited. It is an opportunity for an update on what's going on in the parish, future plans, finance and a chance to offer feedback.

Plant Sale at St Joseph's w/e 21st and 22nd May If there are any green-fingered families who would like to offer cuttings and seedlings of plants, fruit and veg for this sale please contact Jo Pomeroy: 07920 180495. The sale raises funds for our twin parish in Zambia, is outside the church through the weekend, and there's plenty of parking. Thank you for your support!

Cake Sale – a wonderful £600 was raised at last weekend's sale.

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS TERM (new dates in yellow)

Mon 9 May	KS2 SATs week
Tue 10 May	Y5+6 to Holloway Hill Rec PM
Wed 11 May	Y1 Multi-Skills at Broadwater PM
Mon 16 May	Whole school photo
Mon 23 May	Y5+6 First Aid training
Tue 24 May	Y1 to Rural Life Centre
Wed 25 May	Class photos
Thu 26 May	2pm Ascension Day Mass
Fri 27 May	9.05am Y5 Assembly
	PSA Jubilee Bake Off & MUFTI
Mon 6 Jun	Close (normal time) for half-term
	Children return to school
	Start of Jubilee Week
Thu 9 Jun	Y6 to Henley Fort
Mon 13 Jun	Y5 to Henley Fort
Wed 15 Jun	Y2 Toy Workshop (in school)
	Y4 to Broadwater for Multi Skills
Thu 16 Jun	9.05am Y3 Assembly

THIS TERM cont...

Mon 20 Jun	Y6 Bikeability (all week)
Tue 21 Jun	Y2 Fire Safety talk
Fri 24 Jun	9.05am Y1 Assembly
	Y4 to Life of Christ
Mon 27 Jun	YR to Tuesley Farm
Fri 1 Jul	Sports Morning
Thu 7 Jul	Y6 Retreat at Wintershall
Fri 8 Jul	9.05am Y2 Assembly
Mon 18 Jul	Musical Concert TBC
Fri 22 Jul	2pm close for summer holiday

NEXT YEAR'S DATES (2022-2023)

AUT: 5 Sep-21 Dec 2022 (half-term w/c 24 Oct)
 SPR: 9 Jan-31 Mar 2023 (half-term w/c 13 Feb)
 SUM: 17 Apr-21 Jul 2023 (half-term w/c29 May)

KNOWN INSETS / CLOSURES 2022-2023

5+6 Sept, 7 Oct, 28 Nov 2022

Ethos Statement 27: I know how to help others when they are in trouble.



We pray together: Father, you are always there to help us when we are in trouble. Help us to be your faithful representatives here on Earth by always being ready to help those around us who are in any sort of trouble. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN



The Pope Speaks: Speaking about the family, I would like to begin by addressing the young people first. When I think of a model with whom young people can identify, our mother, Mary, always comes to mind: her courage, the way she knew how to listen, and her dedication to service. She was courageous and determined to say 'yes' to the Lord. You, young people, who want to build something new, a better world, follow her example. Take risks!

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**.



Attachments: Board Game Poster; PSA Jubilee Cake flier;