

Newsletter 33: Friday 1st July 2022

Dear Parents,



What a wonderful day we have had today! We were very lucky to have such perfect weather. The children took part in the various events with enthusiasm and enjoyment. Thank you to all those who came to support, and who took care to follow the many guidelines which had been put in place. It was an especially good day for the children of St Matthew House: they were the winners in both Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. Well done! We were pleased to welcome parents to join us for a picnic lunch at school, and to have the opportunity to show you the children's work.



Moving Up Morning – we greatly enjoyed meeting all our new Reception Class children when they came for their induction morning on Tuesday. It also gave us the opportunity to meet many parents who will be new to the school come September.

Thank you! ...

- ... to Father Jonathan for coming to celebrate a lovely Saints Peter and Paul Mass on Wednesday. We were particularly delighted to welcome a number of parents and parishioners to the Mass.
- ... to everyone who supported yesterday's sweet mufti. These are small but very important ways of helping the PSA prepare for our annual Summer Fair next Saturday (9th July) and thereby raise funds for our school.

Rise Theatre (right) – the children were greatly entertained yesterday when Rise Theatre came to school. Rise Theatre is a Christian theatre group (<https://www.risetheatre.co.uk/>) who put on a show about what a wonderful world we have, and how important it is for us to look after God's planet.



Outings – the children of Reception had a lovely time at Tuesley Farm this week, bringing back with them a fantastic quantity of beautiful fresh strawberries, raspberries and blueberries. Thank you to everyone for making these trips possible.



A message from the Mayor of Godalming - On Friday 22 July there will be a production by the Badapple Theatre Company of its show 'Tales from the Great Wood' right here in Godalming at the Wilfrid Noyce Centre at 6.15pm. Please join me on an eco-adventure that celebrates diversity and ecology. Tickets are £10 per adult/£5 per child. I am raising funds for my Mayoral Charity 'What Next? Climate Emergency Centres for Waverley'. Its aim is to raise funds for more events and entertainment about the environment and what we need to do about it. Please get your tickets here: <https://whatnext.earth/special-events/>

World Meeting of Families 22-26 June - Pope Francis says that 'the family is the place where we learn to live with one another, to live with young people and with those who are older. And by being united in our differences - young people, the elderly, adults, children - we evangelize with our example of life'. As we draw closer to the celebrations at the 10th World Meeting of Families we are asked to pray for Christian families around the world, that they may embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives. The children have brought home a card with a prayer on it and a further card on which you are invited to write your own family prayer. **Please bring the prayer you have written to school and hand it in to the office.**

Emails for Clubhouse bookings – please could we ask you to email info@stedmunds.surrey.sch.uk as we have found that this is the email address more easily checked during the course of the school day.

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>



First Holy Communion 2023 There will be a meeting for parents wishing to prepare their children for First Holy Communion in summer 2023 at 7.30-8.30pm on Thursday 7th July at St Edmund's church. Please register for this via the website (See Calendar on home page or go to First Holy Communion page).

Children's Liturgy is at 8.45am Sunday Mass at St John's Farncombe, and **Bumps & Babes** is on Mondays at 10.30am at St John's, Farncombe.

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS TERM (new dates in yellow)

Thu 7 Jul Y6 Retreat at Wintershall
 Fri 8 Jul PSA Mufti (bottles)
 9.05am Y2 Assembly
 Sat 9 Jul 1-4pm PSA Summer Fest
 Tue 12 Jul 2.45pm Rocksteady Concert
 Y6 play (6pm)
 Wed 13 Jul 1-4pm District Sports at Charterhouse
 Thu 14 Jul Y5+6 walk to St Edmund's church
 for Mass
 Fri 15 Jul PSA KS1 disco 5.30-6.40pm
 PSA KS2 disco 6.50-8pm

THIS TERM cont...

Mon 18 Jul 2.30pm Musical Concert
 Tue 19 Jul 2.00pm Leavers' Liturgy in school
 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/c 29 May)

INSETS / CLOSURES 2022-2023

5+6 Sept, 7 Oct, 28 Nov 2022; 15 Mar 2023

Ethos Statement 34: I stand up for people who are being treated unfairly.



We pray together: Father, you care very particularly for the downtrodden and underprivileged. By your grace help us to see you in all who are treated unfairly, and do what we can to stand up for them and serve them. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.



The Pope Speaks: Let us not forget this word: everyone. Everyone! Go to the crossroads and bring everyone, the blind, deaf, lame, sick, righteous, sinners. Everyone ... everyone. This word of the Lord must resound, resound in the mind and heart. Everyone! In the Church there is a place for everyone.

Money Matters: second half of the Summer Term 2022

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £85.75 (35 days at £2.45; Mon 6 June - Fri 22 July 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 info@stedmunds.surrey.sch.uk

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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**.

