

Newsletter 23: Friday 26th April 2024

Dear Parents,

Sayers Croft – what a wonderful time the children of Year 4 have had at Sayers Croft, their first school residential trip. Going away on residential trips is an important aspect of children's education in terms of learning independence, team building and generally just coping with being in a different environment, without their parents. Well done to Year 4 children for doing so well.



Summer uniform – girls in Years R to 4 may now wear the summer school uniform which is the **Navy Blue gingham dress**, *not the light blue*. The M&S reference number for the correct dress is T766481. We have noticed quite a variety of summer dresses being worn, some being of the wrong blue and some of the wrong style. Please could you make every effort to ensure that the correct dress (left) is worn.

Mrs Nicholls – is retiring on Friday 10th May after an amazing twenty-seven years in the school office at St Edmund's. She is part of our school and will be greatly missed by everyone. If you would like to make a contribution to her retiring collection, please drop this into the office marked 'Mrs Nicholls'.

Autism – below is a link giving information about the launch of 'Autism Friendly Guildford and Waverley'. It will be taking place at G Live in Guildford, on Monday 13th May from 2-6pm. [Autism Friendly Guildford and Waverley Launch Event \(experienceguildford.com\)](http://experienceguildford.com)

PSA Dates and information – going out with this newsletter is a PSA newsletter giving dates about the various things they are organising for this term and other important information. Do take a moment to read it and consider getting more involved with the work of the PSA.



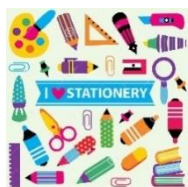
1 st May	PSA AGM 2.30pm at school	21 st June	Sweetie Mufti
7 th May	Baking Competition	28 th June	Bottle Mufti
17 th May	Mufti Day and Film Show	29 th June	SUMMER FETE
24 th May	Year 2 Cake Sale	5 th July	Year R Cake Sale
14 th June	Year 1 Cake Sale	12 th July	Leavers' Disco

Phyllis Tuckwell – Mrs Clifford would be very happy to receive any used postage stamps in order to raise funds for the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. Also, plastic milk bottle tops would be super as well.



Headteacher's Blog – every Friday Mrs Higgins writes about what has been happening in school during the week in her Headteacher's Blog in the website. Have a look every week to keep yourselves up to date by clicking on [this link](#).

Phyllis
Tuckwell
Hospice



Pen Shop – the children of Year 6 run our weekly Pen Shop on Fridays at lunchtime. For your information, here are the prices: ordinary pencil 20p, automatic pencil 45p, eraser 15p, short ruler 15p, long ruler 20p, Berol handwriting pen 30p, glue stick 40p, sharpener 30p, Reading Record book 30p, Homework diary 40p, highlighter pen 20p, pink and green biro 10p, small notebook 20p. As you can see, these prices are such that no child should need to bring to school as much as a £5/£10 note.

PARISH NEWS

Week of Guided Prayer - 16-21 June The parish is hosting this 'retreat in daily life'; it's an opportunity to take time to step away from the noise and haste of everyday life and into the quiet beauty of the Franciscan Centre at Ladywell Convent. You can arrange daily 30-minute one-to-one sessions with a Spiritual Director at a time to suit you. To find out more and to register: <https://stedsgod.churchsuite.com/events/wwcf6kzd>

Grandparents' Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis, West Grinstead, 26 June, 10.30am-3pm. A day of sharing and prayer with other grandparents, led by Bishop Richard, with Mass, rosary, tours of the secret chapel. Book asap as places go quickly: <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/h4bozjok>



Bank Holiday 25/26 May Family Event This year's **Big Church Festival** is at Wiston Park. Join with over 30,000 people to worship together in the surroundings of the Wiston Estate, in the company of some of the best Christian artists in the world. Lots of family activities, and overnight camping available.

<https://www.bigchurchfestival.com/>

Job Opportunity at Ladywell Convent The role is Support Assistant to the Pastoral Care and Community Events Team. Apply by 29 April. For more info: Recruitment@ladywell.org.uk

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS TERM (new items in yellow)	THIS TERM cont
Thu 2 May Y1 to Rural Life Museum Y3 Japanese Children's Day	Tue 9 Jul 6pm Y6 production Fri 12 Jul 2.30pm Parents' Forum
Fri 3 May 8am meeting of the LGC	Mon 15 Jul Y6 leavers' workshop at Ladywell
Mon 6 May Bank Holiday - school closed	Tue 15 Jul 2.45pm Rocksteady Concert
Wed 8 May Y4 to Cranleigh (pm)	Wed 17 Jul 9.30am Leavers' Liturgy at Ladywell
Thu 9 May 10am Ascension Day Mass	Fri 19 Jul 2pm close for summer holiday
Mon 13 May Start of KS2 SATs week	
Fri 17 May Mufti Day 2.30pm Parents' Forum 3.30pm PSA film show	TERM DATES 2023-2024 Sum: 15 Apr-19 Jul 2024 (half-term w/c 27 May)
Tue 21 May Y2 Florence Nightingale workshop	REMAINING INSETS, CLOSURES & BANK HOLIDAYS 6 May (bank holiday); INSET 3 June
Wed 22 May May Procession to Ladywell	
Fri 24 May Class photos 3.20pm close for half-term holiday	TERM DATES NEXT YEAR 2024-2025 Aut: 2 Sept-20 Dec 2024 (half-term w/c 28 Oct) Spr: 6 Jan-4 Apr 2025 (half-term w/c 17 Feb) Sum: 22 Apr-18 Jul 2025 (half-term w/c 26 May)
Mon 3 Jun INSET DAY - school closed	INSETS, CLOSURES & BANK HOLIDAYS 2 + 3 Sept, 4 Oct, 2 Dec 2024, 14 Mar 2025 Bank holidays: 5 May 2025
Tue 4 Jun Children return to school 2pm Mass	
Fri 7 Jun 9.05am Y4/FHC assembly	
Mon 10 Jun Y5+6 first aid training	
Mon 17 Jun Y6 Bikeability (all week)	
Fri 21 Jun Y4 to Life of Christ at Wintershall	
Mon 24 Jun YR to Tuesley Farm	
Tue 2 Jul Y6 Transition Day at St Peter's Moving Up Day (all year groups) New YR Induction Morning	



Ethos Statement 25: I know when to ask for help and from whom to ask for help.

We pray together: Father, you have given us the gift of family and friends. You have also given us the gift of yourself. Help us to recognise those moments when we need help and the grace to turn to you first. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN



Thought for the Week: What we need most in order to make progress is to be silent before this great God with our appetite and with our tongue, for the language he best hears is silent love. *St John of the Cross*

Money Matters: first half of the Summer Term 2024	
Dinners (KS2 ONLY):	£78.30 (29 days at £2.70; Mon 15 Apr to Fri 24 May 2024)
Governors' Fund:	£20 per family per term, cheques payable to "St Edmund's School Governors Godalming" If setting up a Direct Debit online: 40-05-20; 21127306; account name as above
Clubhouse:	£6.75 am session; £14.50 pm session
PSA Website:	www.stedmundsschoolpsa.co.uk
Confused by 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, Mrs Patrick or Mrs Millis.**

