


Newsletter 7: Friday 19th October 2018

Dear Parents,

INSET reminder! – please ensure that you make a note that Monday 29th October (the first Monday after the half-term holiday), is an INSET day and the school will be closed. Children return on Tuesday 30th October. Also, after the half-term holiday all children should be wearing their winter uniform. If you are not sure what the winter uniform is, then please visit the uniform list on our website: <http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=21>

Year 6 applications for secondary school – please be reminded that the deadline for making your online application to Surrey County Council is fast approaching. Although the deadline is 31st October, SCC has recommended making the application today.



 **Mufti Day** – thank you to everyone who came to school today dressed in the colours of the Burkina Faso flag. Funds collected from today's Mufti Day will be given to St Michael's Catholic Primary School in Burkina Faso. Our support of the children of St Michael's over the last couple of years has made a huge difference to what the school is able to provide for the children. Thanks to our little reminder which went out earlier today, a terrific £317.63 has been collected. Thank you everyone!

Harvest Celebration – thank you for the wonderful goods which were brought to school for our Harvest liturgy on Wednesday which was led by Father David. A special thank-you to Mrs Castle for taking all the goods to the Godalming Food Bank on Franklyn Road (right). Karen, at the food bank, has asked us to thank you all very much for your generous donations. She said that she doesn't always get the chance to thank everyone individually, but she is hoping to put something on their website by way of a thank-you.



Photos – sent home on Monday of this week was your child's contact sheet showing the photos which were taken of your child in school recently. There was also information about how to order the photos online. Please note that the deadline for ordering the photos is **22nd October**.



Sporting success! – well done to our hockey players who took part in and won a tournament at Broadwater School this week. Our Year 6 team won (played four, won four); our Year 4 A-team won (played five, won five); our Year 4 B team came third. Also, for the Years 5 & 6 boys and girls football tournament, the boys' team came third and the girls' team got through to the semi-finals but then lost 3-0 in the final. Well done everyone!

Weekday Masses in the parish – Fr David would love to welcome you to the parish weekday Masses. Starting at 9.30am and lasting just 25 minutes, they are in Milford on Wednesdays and Fridays, and in Godalming on Tuesdays and Thursdays. However, please note that next week he will be away. Normal weekday masses will resume after half-term.



Year 6 Sponsored Silence – well done to our Year 6 children who undertook a sponsored silence on Wednesday. Thank you to those children who have remembered to bring their sponsor money in which, to date, comes to £297, with more to come. The money will be sent to a charity called Young Minds. For more information go to <https://youngminds.org.uk>

Correct money please – if you come to the office to pay for something, please ensure that you bring the correct cash, as change cannot be given. Thank you for your attention to this.

PSA Items – the PSA needs just seven more volunteers to have a Bourne Estate Agents board advertising the school’s Christmas Market (1st Dec). Please get in touch if you can help. On 9th November (6.30pm) there will be a **Barn Dance**; tickets are now on sale at a cost of £8 per person, or £20 for a family; see Classlist or Facebook for details. The PSA is looking for £50 fund-matching donors as well, so please do get in touch with the PSA if you can help.

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. Do remember to have a look every week to keep yourselves up to date by going here: <http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/default.asp?pid=124>

Dinner money – dinner money for the second half of the term is £85.10 for children in Key Stage Two who receive a school dinner. Children from Reception to Year 2 receive free school dinners. Please ensure that you keep your account in credit as the term progresses. **Changing dinner arrangements?** – please ensure that, if you wish to change your child’s dinner arrangements, you give the office a week’s notice. Thank you.

The Pen Shop (Mon + Fri) – ordinary pencils 10p; push pencils 30p (KS2 only); rubbers 5p; short rulers 10p; long rulers 15p; handwriting pens 25p; glue sticks 40p; sharpeners 25p; reading records 25p; homework diaries 30p and highlighters 50p. Please ensure that your child does not bring unduly large amounts of cash to school as nothing costs more than 40p.



DATES FOR THIS TERM (items highlighted are new)		DATES FOR THIS TERM continued	
Fri 19 Oct	3.30pm close for the half-term holiday	Wed 5 Dec	Flu vaccinations for Years R-5
Mon 22 Oct	DEADLINE for placing photo orders	Tue 11 Dec	2pm KS1 Christmas performance
Mon 29 Oct	INSET – school closed	Wed 12 Dec	9.30pm KS1 Christmas performance
Tue 30 Oct	Children return to school	Thu 13 Dec	9.30am Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols
Mon 5 Nov	3.30pm Y6 children talk to Y5 parents re Bude		6pm Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols (Ladywell TBC)
Tue 6 Nov	Y2 to Hampton Court	Fri 14 Dec	PSA Jingle Disco (all ages) 6-7.15pm
Wed 7 Nov	9.30am Open Morning for prospective parents	Mon 17 Dec	2pm Y5+6 Christmas performance
Fri 9 Nov	9.05am Y2 Assembly; 6.30pm PSA Barn Dance		6pm Y5+6 Christmas performance
Sat 10 Nov	Cross-Country competition in Cranleigh	Tue 18 Dec	9.30am End-of-Term Mass; pm class parties
Wed 14 Nov	Chertsey Museum in school for Y1	Wed 19 Dec	1pm carols in the hall; 2pm early close
Tue 20 Nov	9.30am St Edmund’s Day Mass	Thu 3 Jan	Children return to school
Wed 21 Nov	2.30pm RSE talk to parents		
Thu 22 Nov	Y3-6 walk to 9.30am Mass at St Ed’s		
Fri 23 Nov	PSA Sweetie Mufti		
Tue 27 Nov	2.30pm Musical Concert		
Fri 30 Nov	PSA Bottle Mufti		
Sat 1 Dec	11am-1.30pm PSA Christmas Market		
Tue 4 Dec	Fossil talk for Reception Class		
	Rock Steady concert		

THIS YEAR’S DATES (2018-2019)
 AUT: 4 Sep-19 Dec 2018 (half-term w/c 22 Oct)
 SPR: 3 Jan-5 Apr 2019 (half-term w/c 18 Feb)
 SUM: 23 Apr-24 Jul 2019 (half-term w/c 27 May)

INSETS : 29th Oct 2018, 25th Feb and 14th June 2019

Ethos Statement 6: I understand that rights match responsibility.

We pray together: Father, help us to understand that our right to live peacefully means that we have to create peace with those around us. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.

The Pope Speaks ...

Prayer is work, work that requires will, requires constancy, requires determination, but never shame. Why? Because we are knocking at a friend’s door; God is a friend.



Money Matters: second half of the Autumn Term 2018	
Dinners (KS2 ONLY):	£85.10 (37 days at £2.30 between Tue 30 th Oct to Wed 19 th Dec 2018)
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
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/page/?title=This+Year%27s+Dates&pid=91
Copies of the newsletters	http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=2
Clubs booking forms	St Edmunds Catholic Primary School - Clubs and Activities