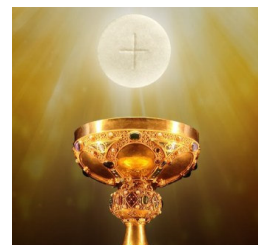


Newsletter 10: Friday 16th November 2019

Dear Parents,

St Edmund's Day Mass – we are much looking forward to our St Edmund's Day Mass which will be celebrated in the school hall by Fr David at 9.30am on Tuesday 20th November. All are welcome to join us.



Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Day – thank you to everyone who supported the cake sale yesterday in memory of Ollie and Tom's mum. They are delighted to announce that they raised **over £244**.

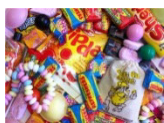
Car Park – we have noticed that cars continue to be parked on the double yellow lines outside the school at pick-up, and also that some parents and grandparents are parking in the school car park. Please could we appeal to you all, again, not to park in the front-of-school car park at either drop-off or pick-up.

Rainbow Picnic Tables! – we are delighted to have new picnic tables in the playground, thanks to the PSA. You may be interested to learn that each table is made using approximately 1,680 recycled plastic milk bottles!



Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) – to help parents of children understand what is being covered in RSE this term, Mrs Hua will be leading a session for all parents at 2.30pm next Wednesday, 21st November. She will be going through the material and vocabulary used.

Walk to Mass – on Thursday 22nd November all the children of Years 3-6 will be walking from school down to St Edmund's Church on Croft Road for the 9.30am Mass.



Mufti SWEETS – please don't forget that next Friday, 23rd November, is a Mufti Day. If your child would like to wear mufti that day, they will need to bring a packet of sweets to school in preparation for the PSA Christmas Market.

Anti-bullying Week – it was great to see all the children wearing odd socks to school on Monday. It served as a colourful and important reminder to us all that we are each of us unique. As part of Anti-Bullying Week, we enjoyed an excellent assembly on Monday led by the NSPCC. They returned to school on Thursday to run workshops for children in Years 5 and 6. Next week the children will all be taking part in the 'Big Workout' which is a sponsored event. Please help us to support the NSPCC and return your sponsor forms and money by 27th November.



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>

Coats – some children are still coming to school without coats. Please could all children now have a coat in school as we do try to go outside to play whenever possible.

Advent at Home; an inspirational talk – we are so fortunate to have Katherine Bergin (The Diocesan Specialist Advisor for Marriage and Family Life) offer to come back to us to give another of her inspirational talks. Everyone is invited to come at **2.45pm on Wednesday 28th November** when Mrs Bergin will be giving us really useful ideas for making the season of Advent truly special within our family life and home. Please do come if you can.

Thinking of Teaching? – Godalming Learning Partnership, in collaboration with Winchester University, is now recruiting teacher trainees through the School Direct programme to start in September 2019. If you have thought about getting into teaching, then visit our Get Teaching website (<http://www.getteaching.org/Our-Teacher-Training-Offer/Our-Programme/>) for information about how to train as a teacher whilst based in one of our Godalming schools. Applications for the Schools Direct Programme are now open.



St Edmund's Parish Barn Dance – if you enjoyed the PSA barn dance so much that you're keen to get to another one, then there's good news for you. The parish is hosting a Barn Dance on Saturday 1st December at Milford Village Hall, from 7.30pm to 11pm. Tickets cost £15, which includes a fish and chip supper. Music will be provided by a live band. Please bring your own drink. This will be a very lively event and all parishioners are warmly welcome. Tickets are available from Andrew Lodge 01252 717705 / 07768 830984 or email: alodge@andrewlodge.co.uk

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. Please keep an eye on the parish newsletter as Masses are subject to change from time to time if Father David has commitments elsewhere.



Dinner money – please ensure that you keep your account in credit as the term progresses. **Changing dinner arrangements?** If you wish to change your child's dinner arrangements you must give the office a week's written 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.



DATES FOR THIS TERM (items highlighted are new)	DATES FOR THIS TERM continued
Tue 20 Nov 9.30am St Edmund's Day Mass	Thu 13 Dec 9.30am Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols (at school)
Wed 21 Nov 2.30pm RSE talk to parents	6pm Y3+4 Service of Readings & Carols (St Edmund's Church)
Thu 22 Nov Y3-6 walk to 9.30am Mass at St Ed's	Fri 14 Dec Christmas Lunch
Fri 23 Nov PSA Sweetie Mufti	PSA Jingle Disco (all ages) 6-7.15pm
Tue 27 Nov 2.30pm Musical Concert	Mon 17 Dec 2pm Y5+6 Christmas performance
Wed 28 Nov 2.45pm 'Advent at Home' talk by Katherine Bergin – all welcome!	6pm Y5+6 Christmas performance
Fri 30 Nov PSA Bottle Mufti; 3.30pm YR Cake Sale	Tue 18 Dec 9.30am End-of-Term Mass; PM class parties
Sat 1 Dec 11am-1.30pm PSA Christmas Market	Wed 19 Dec 1pm carols in the hall; 2pm early close
Sun 2 Dec First Sunday of Advent	Thu 3 Jan Children return to school
Tue 4 Dec Fossil talk for Y3+6; 3pm Rock Steady concert	THIS YEAR'S DATES (2018-2019)
Wed 5 Dec Flu vaccinations for Years R-5	AUT: 4 Sep-19 Dec 2018 (half-term w/c 22 Oct)
Fri 7 Dec 3.30pm PSA Film Show	SPR: 3 Jan-5 Apr 2019 (half-term w/c 18 Feb)
Tue 11 Dec 2pm KS1 Christmas performance	SUM: 23 Apr-24 Jul 2019 (half-term w/c 27 May)
7pm choir to Holy Trinity Church, Guildford	REMAINING INSETS : 25th Feb and 14th June 2019
Wed 12 Dec 9.30am KS1 Christmas performance	
2.15pm Parents' Forum	

Ethos Statement 9: I can tell you how I look after myself.

We pray together: Father, you have given us a body so that we can do your work and a mind so that we can think about you. Help us to look after our body by eating well and to look after our inner lives by listening to you always. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.



The Pope Speaks: We don't seem to learn. As we pray for all the victims of that immense tragedy [the First World War], let us say forcefully: let us invest in peace, not in war!

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