



St. Edmund's R.C. Primary, a Voluntary Academy

Newsletter

16th May 2025

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Weekend Masses: Vigil Mass – Saturday, 6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's
9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

Parish Website: <https://stpatricksliveseyst.yolasite.com/>

School Website: www.stedmundsrcprimaryschool.co.uk

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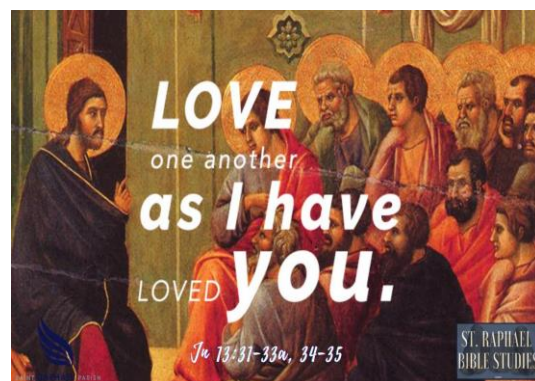


WEEKEND MASSES – Come to the table, everyone is welcome!

If there is any parent who wishes their child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Priest of the parish in which you live. If you live within the boundaries of this parish, please see Father Paul after one of the weekend Masses listed above. Alternatively, Father Paul can be contacted on 07764791889 or at paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Our 'Statement to Live by' next week is: 'At Easter, we love one another as I love you.'

LOVE: Love is life's greatest blessing. St. Teresa of Calcutta once said, "Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do that matters ... but how much love we put into it." In Sunday's Gospel, we listen to the words of Jesus at the Last Supper. Jesus gives his friends, the disciples, a new commandment – they must love one another as Jesus loves them, with whole-hearted and unlimited generosity. The new commandment which Jesus gave to his friends is for us too – today! Everyone likes to be loved and family and school life become more joyful when we follow Jesus' command to love one another. Enjoy your special family time this weekend and listen to your children's thoughts on this week's word, 'LOVE.'



Coming to church helps us to be more loving as we grow closer to God. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel by joining us at St. Patrick's or St. Malachy's at the above Masses. Alternatively there are other local churches with other Masses available: all are very warmly invited.

*"It is not enough to say, 'I Love...' We must put that love into a loving action."
(St. Teresa of Calcutta)*



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS: Plenty of classes were celebrating for last week! Our winning class was....our Year 5 class with a fantastic score of 99.6% - so close to perfection. What a fantastic achievement! They've been rewarded with extra leisure time this week. Other classes to meet our target last week were Y2, Y3 and Y6. They were rewarded with an extra 5 minutes play with their friends earlier today. Remember, we have set all children a target to do their very best to improve their attendance and punctuality this term if it needs to. Results for all classes are below.

Nursery: 96.2%	Reception: 90.8%	Year 1: 95.8%	Year 2: 99.1%
Year 3: 98.3%	Year 4: 96.7%	Year 5: 99.6%	Year 6: 98.3%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 97%			

A REMINDER TO PARENTS: Parents have a legal responsibility to ensure their children attend school regularly and receive a suitable full-time education. This means making sure your child is in school every day, except when there's a valid reason for absence, such as illness or a school-approved leave of absence. Parents can face legal consequences, including fines or even prosecution, if your child does not attend school regularly.



JUBILEE YEAR - PILGRIMS OF HOPE: The diocesan anchor travels from Christ the King School to St. Edmund's on Monday and we look forward to welcoming their GIFT team. We will be holding a special liturgy on Monday about the significance of this special, jubilee year. Our GIFT team will then start planning some other activities and fundraising we'll be doing next term so that we continue to be Ambassadors 4 Change in our community. On Tuesday, our GIFT team will continue the pilgrimage by taking the anchor to our friends at St. Malachy's.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME MEETING: Unfortunately, some parents didn't make the meeting on Monday. Mrs Clinton will now put on an additional evening to ensure that all parents are prepared to support their child to make their First Holy Communion. Meetings will be either 3.30 or 5.00 p.m. next Tuesday, 20th May. Please confirm with either Miss Campbell or the office team which meeting you will be attending.



SPORTS DAY: One of the highlights of the year is nearly upon us and for once... we THINK we can confidently say that we'll be getting a fine, sunny day for our sports day this year. The children should be coming home with their P.E. kits today. On Wednesday, children are to come to school in their kit (blue/black shorts with a plain white t-shirt. (NO FOOTBALL KITS PLEASE!) A reminder of the times and where parents are to meet:

9.30 - 11.30 a.m. - Nursery children in the Nursery outdoor area.

9.30 - 11.30 a.m.- Reception, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 in the main playground.

12.30 - 2.30 p.m. - Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 in the main playground.

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: *CHANGE YOUR VOICE FOR EACH CHARACTER*. If reading a book aloud with your child, try becoming some or all of the characters in the story! Change your voice for the characters. You can speak in a whisper for a shy mouse. You can speak angrily. You can speak in a loud silly voice. You can speak in a quiet voice. Even when you have only one character, have fun changing your voice. This will make the story more entertaining and help your child understand which characters are talking. As a bonus, you will be helping your child learn new words, such as shyly, angrily, happily, and sadly, because children will match your tone of voice to the words in the book and to the pictures on the pages.



SATS EXAMS: Congratulations to our Year 6 class who completed their SATs examinations this week. All the hard work has paid off and they can now enjoy a little break before Mrs Fox starts to get them ready to transition to high school. Exciting times ahead for our oldest children.

GOVERNANCE UPDATE: All parents should have received a letter from Mrs Clinton about the need to vote in the parent elections. Please read the letter carefully and cast your vote by next Thursday, 22nd May at 12.00 p.m. Many thanks to our two parents who have put themselves forward for this voluntary role.



DIARY DATES: We have lots going on in school which is fantastic for the children so please ensure that you are keeping abreast of all the relevant dates for your children. Please keep a copy of the dates handy so you can refer to them each week. You will find the dates at the end of this newsletter.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL: This is a reminder to Y6 parents that the Y6 residential is costing £300. We urge you to start making payments, no matter how small so that you aren't left to make a large payment in June. The deadline for paying the balance isn't far away now - Monday, 2nd June.

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NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE: Are you looking for a nursery place or know someone who is? Is their date of birth on or before 31.08.2022? If so, we have places within our nursery available for your child to start after Summer! For more information about the admissions process please call in at the school office.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS FOR HALF TERM: A message for parents/carers whose children are eligible for free school meals. Manchester City Council has again approved funding for supermarket vouchers for the Half Term break to help with the financial pressures that many of our families will face. Families with children eligible for free school meals (FSM) will receive a £15.00 e-voucher from Wonde on Wednesday, 21st May. This voucher can be redeemed at a supermarket of your choice



NON UNIFORM DAY: Next Friday will be a non-uniform day for children if they bring a donation of either 50p per child or £1 per family. We really appreciate your donations each half term as it helps to keep the costs down for our school trips each year. Please remember to bring your money for school funds and thank you in advance.



FACEBOOK: If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so you can keep up to date with all of the latest news! Teachers will be posting about what the class are up to during the week and they'll post photos also! Search for us as **St. Edmund's Manchester** and we should pop up.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Pope Leo XIV, Jo Phillips and family, Miss Rehan & family, Mr Eaglestone & family, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, Caritas, our families on the Sacramental Programme, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul, Father Anthony, the Presentation Sisters, the Missionary Brothers of Charity, our children and staff and all other private intentions at this time.



BEDTIME PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for being our loving friend. Please help us to always love you and to keep growing in love for one another. Amen

*Stay with us, Lord...on our journey.
Guide us on our journey
as pilgrims of hope.*



Humility

Faithfulness

Service



IMPORTANT DIARY DATES (subject to change and updates)

DATE	ACTIVITY	To note
19/05/25 (Mon)	We receive the diocesan anchor for the Jubilee Year of Hope from Christ the King School. School liturgy	
19/05/25 (Mon)	Interviews for Y5 pupils for future prefects	
20/05/25 (Tue)	GIFT team & some prefects take the diocesan anchor to St. Malachy's	
21/05/25 (Wed)	SPORTS DAY!!!! Morning (9.30 - 11.30) - Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3 Afternoon (12.30 - 2.30) - Years 4, 5 & 6	Wear P.E. kit to school (no football kits)
23/05/25 (Fri)	FANTASTIC FRIDAY for the winning house	
23/05/25 (Fri)	Non-uniform day for school fund School closes at the usual time of 3.15 p.m.	50p a child £1 a family
	SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR ONE WEEK ONLY	

2nd half of the Summer term

02/06/25 (Mon)	School opens at the usual time Deadline for Y6 parents to pay for Robinwood Residential Year 4 children have their assessment of timestables	£300
04/06/25 (Wed)	Mass in the school hall for Y5 & Y6 (led by Y6) - all welcome	
06/06/25 (Fri)	Non-uniform day to raise funds for CARITAS & Jubilee Year of Hope	50p a child £1 a family
06/06/25 (Fri)	Ice-cream treat for May winners for attendance	
09/06/25 (Mon)	Phonics screening check for Y1 children	
13/06/25 (Fri)	Y3 children making their First Holy Communion go to St. Patrick's Church for a rehearsal	
15/06/25 (Sun)	9.15 a.m. First Holy Communion Mass & celebration at St. Patrick's Church - all welcome	
18/06/25 (Wed)	9.15 a.m. First Holy Communion Mass & celebration in school - all welcome. Official photographs and party day for the children	Bring party clothes
19/06/25 (Thur)	Vision and hearing checks for children in Reception	
20/06/25 (Fri)	PROVISIONAL - NURSERY & RECEPTION TO SMITHILL'S FARM	
23/06/25 (Mon)	Meetings for Y6 parents for Robinwood residential - 3.30 & 5.00 p.m.	
24/06/25 (Tue)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 3 TRIP TO CLICK & CLIMB	
25/06/25 (Wed)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 5 TRIP TO BROCKHOLES, CUMBRIA	
26/06/25 (Thur)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 1 TRIP TO GULLIVERS' WORLD	
27/06/25 (Fri)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 2 TRIP TO BEWILDERWOOD	
01/07/25 (Tue)	Art Exhibition in the school hall. Children display their art work - all welcome	
02/07/25 (Wed) & 03/07/25 (Thu)	Y6 transition days for children going to MCA	
04/07/25 (Fri)	Ice-cream treat for June winners for attendance	
07/07/25 (Mon)	Year 6 children go to Robinwood until Wednesday	
07/07/25 (Mon)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 4 TRIP TO VENTURE OUT	
09/07/25 (Wed)	Mass in the school hall for Nursery & Reception (led by Nursery) - all welcome	
10/07/25 (Thur)	Stay & Play for Nursery & Reception parents, 9.15 a.m.	
11/07/25 (Fri)	FANTASTIC FRIDAY for the winning house	
16/07/25 (Wed)	1.30 p.m. 'EDMUNDSBURY' - all children to perform	Wear festival clothes

18/07/25 (Fri)	Annual reports go out to parents (parents can make appointments with teachers to discuss reports next week) P.E. kits go home, staff collect in reading books, childrens' work can be sent home	Plastic bag
21/07/25 (Mon)	Transition day	
22/07/25 (Tue)	Whole school Mass & Y6 leavers' celebration party day	Bring party clothes
25/07/25 (Fri)	9.15 a.m. Final assembly - all welcome 1.00 p.m. SCHOOL CLOSES	Wear school uniform