

St. Edward's NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers and the St Edward's family,

I am writing to say a big thank you for your wonderful support during these unprecedented times. As you are aware, we needed to introduce a whole series of rules and measures in order to keep everyone safe, so thank you for helping us with these new procedures.

We have now completed 2 full weeks at school and we are delighted to inform you that the children have been fantastic in the way they have embraced the new procedures, whilst still enjoying the experience of learning and being back in their own classrooms.

We launched the first of our parental zoom meetings this week and feel they have been a great success so far. Indeed, we were able to use the marvels of technology to host a Y6 parents' meeting with the Headteacher of St Bonaventure's in attendance online.

Our Governors have sanctioned a big investment in online learning and we are preparing for a world of parallel learning, whereby the children can access the curriculum in school and at home. In the short term we will be posting homework online, but ultimately we need to be ready to offer a full learning experience at home, in the event of possible year group lockdowns. To assist us, please ensure that your child starts to access the online homework and other resources, such as 'Bug Club'.

On a personal note, I wanted to say thank you for the wonderful welcome I have received so far from the whole St Edward's community. I certainly feel at home already.

Warmest regards,

Paul Underwood
Headteacher (LLE, NPQH, BSc)

ZOOM Virtual Parent Meetings

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| YEAR 3 | Wednesday September 23, 2020 04:00 PM https://zoom.us/j/97630584848?pwd=NDFaOGJBTngvdTVvaXFRc21EOVNIUT09 |
| YEAR 2 | Thursday September 24, 2020 04:00 PM https://zoom.us/j/97088941063?pwd=ZVJYcWo1NFBMcDVnN0s4dE5WR3ZrUT09 |
| YEAR 1 | Friday September 25, 2020 04:00 PM https://zoom.us/j/95315835463?pwd=aHB1ZFNFZ0pvTHNPcDlVc2NyQThHUT09 |

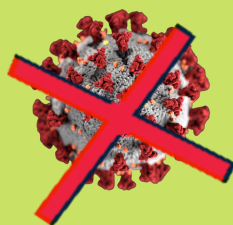
School start and end times:

NURSERY

Seed 8.45am – 11.45am Seep 12.10pm – 3.10pm

| Year Group | Start time | End Time | Location |
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| • Nursery | (refer above for times) | | NURSERY GATE |
| • Reception | 9.00 am | 3.00 pm | NURSERY GATE |
| • Year 1 | 9.10 am | 3.10 pm | PLAYGROUND |
| • Year 2 | 9.20 am | 3.20 pm | PLAYGROUND |
| • Year 3 | 9.10 am | 3.20 pm | MAIN CAR GATE |
| • Year 4 | 9.05 am | 3.20 pm | MAIN CAR GATE |
| • Year 5 | 8.55 am | 3.10 pm | MAIN CAR GATE |
| • YEAR 6 | 8.45 am | 3.00 pm | MAIN CAR GATE |

Thank you so much to all our parents and children for following our safety rules during drop off and pick up times. Can we please ensure that these measures are followed at all times. There has been an improvement since the start of school, however there are still a small group of parents/clusters outside. Please be reminded that it is illegal now for people to stop and mingle with other households/group of over 6 people and there is a chance that you may be stopped and fined. The penalty is £100 and you can be fined again upto £3200. Please help the school and let us work together to protect our children and families.



COVID19
STOP THE SPREAD

PE Schedule

CLASS

Year 3 – Ivy and Fern
Year 4 – Heather and Thistle
Year 1 – Poppy and Iris
Year 6 – Elm, Oak and Willow
Year 5 – Ash and Beech
Reception – Acorn and Chestnut
Year 2 – Lily and Rose

DAY

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Thursday
Friday



Please make sure children come into school wearing their winter PE kits which is our blue St Edward's tracksuits (T-shirt and white shorts for warmer days) and trainers on the day of their PE lesson with a bottle of water.

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IMPORTANT!! NOTICE TO PARENTS



SchoolPing

We are looking into introducing a school communication app which you can download via your smartphone. This app will be our main communication tool moving forward. Can we please request all parents to provide their main email address/es to the office so that we can add you to the system and give you all the registration code once we go live. This will be the only tool we are going to use once activated. All letters to parents, Newsletters and appointments will be done via the app. More details will follow so please look out for the announcement.

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Governor's Fund

Our Governor Fund contribution is £45 per family and can be paid in installements of £15 per term. Please pay via ParentPay, this should appear in your account as Governor Fund 2020-2021. If you wish to pay using alternative method, please contact the school and speak to Mrs Facto.

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We are hosting a virtual coffee meeting for the MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT!

We will be sending you the invite with all the details of the meeting via email. Due to the limit of the number of participants in ZOOM, we are going to hold 2 meetings on the day.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT.

DATE: 25th September 2020

EYFS AND KS1 - Time: 10 am to 10:30

KS 2 - TIME: 10.30AM -11.00AM

We welcome your donations via ParentPay under

McMillan Cancer Support Donation 2020 - General

McMillan Cancer Support Donation 2020 - Class

Thank you for your continued support

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Shaping Peace Together. Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire. May we use this time to reflect on our actions and be always thoughtful and kind.



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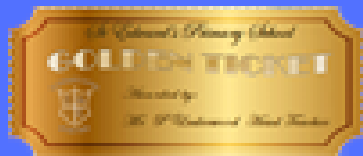
We understand that we are all under immense pressure at the moment, but please try to remain courteous at all times when speaking to any member of the staff as we are all here to help and keep the school running smoothly at these unprecedented times. The safety and well-being of our school community is of upmost importance. Thank you

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Children's work on display!



Expectations of Behaviour



Golden ticket

A Golden ticket is awarded, once 15 Golden letters have been achieved within the class.

This entitles the class to golden time.



Gold star

Exceptional behaviour

Children on gold star at end of day receive a golden letter



Silver star

Continued good behaviour throughout the day.

Children on silver star at the end of the day receive a post card.



Bronze star

Good behaviour seen through the day

Children on bronze star receive 5 house points.



Green Light Traffic

All children start on the green traffic light every morning.



Amber traffic light - despite receiving a number of reminders about positive ways of behaving, there has not been an improvement in child's attitude to learning, the child is moved to amber.

While on amber, teachers focus on catching the child being good so to move back to green.



Red traffic light - if there has been no improvement in the attitude to learning, while the child has been on amber and a number of reminders about positive ways of behaving has been given, the child is moved to red.

While on red, teachers continue to focus on catching the child being good so to move back to green. Further reminders are given but if there is still no improvement, at this point the child is subject to a red letter.

We hope this positive reward system will encourage our pupils to maintain and improve the exceptional behaviour we already see in the school. In addition, it is hoped that it will also develop the culture of collaboration as a class, in that the quicker the children attain 15 Golden Letters, the quicker the class will enjoy Golden time together. Thereby creating a culture of work hard but also play hard together.

It is expected that every pupil will achieve a golden letter and post card at least once.

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GOSPEL - MATTHEW 20:1-16



1 'Now the kingdom of Heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard.
2 He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day and sent them to his vineyard.
3 Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place
4 and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage."
5 So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same.
6 Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing around, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?"
7 "Because no one has hired us," they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too."
8 In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first."

9 So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each.

10 When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each.

11 They took it, but grumbled at the landowner saying,

12 "The men who came last have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat."

13 He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius?"

14 Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the lastcomer as much as I pay you.

15 Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why should you be envious because I am generous?"

16 Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

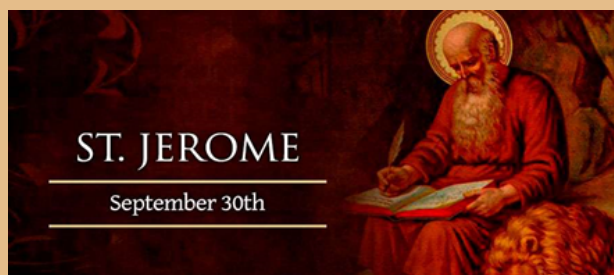
Year 6 Priest Form Dates

Certificate of Catholic Practice for Secondary School. Fr Angelus will be available to sign the CCP's in St John's room 21st, 25th, 28th and 30th September between 3pm and 6pm. The church will be open during these hours for private prayer and adoration so please spend a little time with Our Blessed Lord. Please collect the School Certificate Information' form (available by the exit door after mass) fill it in and bring it along with your child and their baptism certificate



Fr. Angelus has kindly offered to celebrate mass in school hall for our children, 10.15am-10.45am on a rotational basis, similarly to what we have done previous before COVID restrictions.

**Wednesday 30th September 2020 - OAK Class Mass
26th week of ordinary time**



PRAYER FOR THE SCHOOL

Dear Lord, in these times of uncertainty, guide us and protect us. Help us all to follow guidelines in order to protect ourselves and those we love. Grant us wisdom in the decisions we make to help make our school community as safe and secure place to be for all who work and play within in. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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