



St. Edward's NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/ Carers and the St Edward's Family

I am so happy to be writing to you at the end of our first week back in school. To hear the children in the playground, the dining hall and the classrooms is the most natural sound in the world.

As mentioned before, we have been delighted how well the children have engaged with their online lessons during the most recent whole school lockdown and, previously, the individual class lockdowns, however there is no substitute for the children being in school and for getting the opportunity to learn with their friends in their own classrooms.

We will continue to keep all the measures in place to keep everyone safe, including staggered start times and social distancing. However, as the whole country starts to move out of lockdown, then we will keep reviewing our daily practices to try to get everything back to normal. Please remember though, if anyone in your household does start to display symptoms, then the whole family must isolate and get tested. Please do not send the children into school in this case.

Now that we have returned, we are going to continue to promote the 'Love of Reading' at St Edward's. The staff have been creating some lovely displays using the children's work. So please keep encouraging your children to read and really enjoy picking up a book. In addition, we are going to keep promoting mental well-being, especially during these ever-changing times. Indeed, our School Council are meeting today to discuss how we can keep mental well-being and happiness at the very top of our agenda.

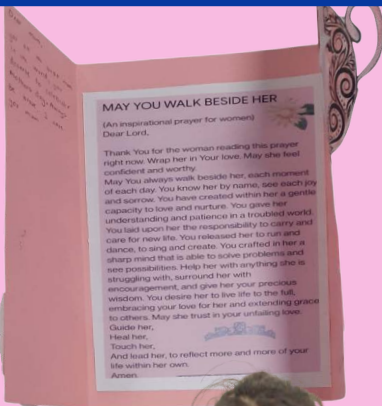
We thank God that we have now returned and are able to be together again. We also thank you for all your support in helping us to get through the past months. Our staff have been incredible, but it has only been possible as we have the most wonderful St Edward's family all working together.
God Bless

*Paul Underwood
Headteacher*

Super Mums

*You're a wonderful mother,
So gentle, yet so strong.
The many ways you show you care,
You're patient, You give guidance,
It seems you can do almost anything;
You're the master of every task.*

*You're a dependable source of comfort;
You help in times of trouble;
You are a great supporter.
You are loved more than you know;
Thank you for being you.*



We hope that all our wonderful and amazing mothers enjoy their special treats this Sunday. Our pupils had fun creating flowers, cards and mug cakes in school!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

*All the love from
St. Edward's Family*

International WOMEN'S DAY

8th March 2021



International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. Significant activity is witnessed worldwide as groups come together to celebrate women's achievements or rally for women's equality.

Marked annually on March 8th, International Women's Day (IWD) is one of the most important days of the year to:

Celebrate women's achievements

Raise awareness about women's equality

Lobby for accelerated gender parity

Fundraise for female-focused charities

Annie Kenney

Known for Political activist and suffragette for the Women's Social and Political Union



An American attorney and author who served as the First Lady of the United States from 2009 to 2017. She was the first African-American woman to serve in this position. She is married to the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama.



Michelle Obama

an English chemist and X-ray crystallographer whose work was central to the understanding of the molecular structures of DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid), RNA (ribonucleic acid), viruses, coal, and graphite.[2] Although her works on coal and viruses were appreciated in her lifetime, her contributions to the discovery of the structure of DNA were largely recognised posthumously.



Malala Yousafzai

- 21-year-old Pakistani activist; youngest Nobel Prize laureate; founder of The Malala Fund

Polish-born **Marie Curie** was a pioneering physicist and scientist, who coined the term radioactivity, discovered two new elements (radium and polonium) and developed a portable x-ray machine.



The Diary of **Anne Frank** is one of the most honest, powerful and poignant accounts of World War II and was written by a German teenage girl. The Franks were a Jewish family living in Germany, then Austria throughout Hitler's rise to power and during World War II. The family hid in a secret annex with four other people throughout the war but were discovered and sent to concentration camps in 1944. Out of the Frank family, only Anne's father survived, and he made the decision to publish Anne's diary.

We celebrated the day and talked about how women have contributed to society. Year 5 researched and learned about British Female scientists!

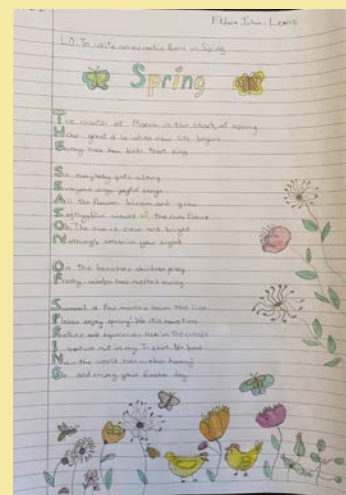
MR UNDERWOOD'S FRIDAY RIDDLE CHALLENGE

What is always taken to the cup final but is never used?

They won't be opening the box and would probably be sent back to the manufacturer.

A BEAUTIFUL POEM
WRITTEN BY A YEAR 5 PUPIL

THE SEASON SPRING



Well done, Ethan!

LEARNING FROM HOME



Our children and staff had fun dressing up in school and at home, shared lots of wonderful stories about their book! The fun activities continued when the children returned to school where everyone was ecstatic to see them back in the classroom again!

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NOTICE TO PARENTS

IMPORTANT EVENTS

DATE

Assessment week	W/C 15th March
Individual photograph	22nd March
Parent's Consultation Evening (virtual) for Year 1 – Poppy Class ONLY	22nd, 24th & 25th March
Group Photos	25th June
Whole school Parent's Consultation Evening (virtual)	29th – 31st March

ELECTION FOR PARENT GOVERNOR

Following the expiry of the term of office for Mrs Costales as Parent Governor, a vacancy exists on the Governing Board for Parent Governor. If you wish to seek nomination as an elected Parent Governor, please collect a nomination form from the School Office. A letter was sent to you via Ping with all information you need in applying for the role.



Installation of new parking restriction cameras, particularly in the Upton Gardens area. This will mean that anyone parking or even stopping to drop off their children, will incur an automatic parking fine.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

May we please remind all parents/carers that gathering outside the gates is not permitted. You must queue with your child and be at least 2 meters away from anyone outside your household. Please try to arrive on time so we do not have too many waiting or queueing outside. Let's help and keep each other safe.

Thank you



"Following Christ We Reach Our Goals"

OFSTED FEEDBACK

The provision in the Early Years Foundation Stage is outstanding and ensures that the children make excellent progress and achieve extremely well. The children clearly enjoy the wide range of activities they are offered within the bright, stimulating environment, both indoors and outdoors.



INVESTORS IN PUPILS

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GOSPEL - JOHN 3:14-21



14 as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so must the Son of man be lifted up
15 so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

16 For this is how God loved the world: he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 For God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

18 No one who believes in him will be judged; but whoever does not believe is

judged already, because that person does not believe in the Name of God's only Son.

19 And the judgement is this: though the light has come into the world people have preferred darkness to the light because their deeds were evil.

20 And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, to prevent his actions from being shown up;
21 but whoever does the truth comes out into the light, so that what he is doing may plainly appear as done in God.'

Bless Our Mothers: A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

Today we pray for mothers--
our own mothers, and mothers everywhere, who have made such a major contribution to the good qualities, we have, sometimes through genetics, more often through great effort and patient instruction, and who have done their best to gently polish away our rough edges.

Lord, please bless our mothers for the endless hours of time they spent and the boundless energy, they invested in us.

Bless our mothers for their sacrifices on our behalf as they often gave up or deferred their own dreams so that we could have ours.

Bless our mothers for always being there for us, for being the person we know we can turn to when we need comfort, encouragement, or just a hug. Bless our mothers for making a home for us where we could feel safe, where we felt we belonged. Most of all, Lord, bless our mothers for their unconditional love, for loving us no matter what, and for frequently showing love in ways that make us feel valued and cherished.
Lord, please bless our mothers mightily. Strengthen them, soothe them, wrap them in Your infinite love and shower them with blessings too numerous to count, too magnificent to describe.

We love them, admire them, respect them, and we wish that You would give them back many times the good they gave to us.

Through Christ our Lord, we pray.
Amen.