



# Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas Parents' Newsletter

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Issue 8

### Dear Parents

#### Reading

We have been pleased to see regular listening to reading at home notes in the reading logs. Please continue to listen to your child read. Thank you.

We have invested in new stocks of books and we have had to pursue one or two children to return the books to school. If loaned books are not returned then unfortunately we will be unable to issue replacements without payment for loss.

#### After School Clubs

Sports and some booster clubs are up and running for this term and we are grateful to those who voluntarily make the commitment with new activities such as word processing skills for older children!

#### Drop off and Collection

#### Arrangements

These arrangements have improved our safeguarding profile at the start and end of the day and take into account Nursery timings and arrangements of other school's timings. We are sensitive to our neighbours' needs on Sweden Grove and ask that our children are reminded not to stand on walls etc.

#### Progress Report

We will be sending out a brief progress report for your child next Friday. We introduced this additional report in response to the fragmented terms due to Covid and hope that you will find them informative.

#### Fr Dominic- Romero Cross

#### Competition

We are in The parish of St Oscar Romero .Last week Fr Dominic and Steven Davies (Vice Chair of the Romero Trust) spoke to the children about an art competition to design their own version of The Romero Cross which may reflect something of the local community. There will be individual prizes for the winning design for various banded year groups.

The designs and symbols can be explored at home to prepare the work to be completed in school by the end of the Spring Term.

#### Curriculum Enrichment

Year 3 and 4 Engineers are going to the World Museum on Friday to find out more about the Ancient Egyptians. They have been looking at the process of mummification in history and science and also carrying out some practical work on electric circuits! Year 5 and 6 Architects have a Shakespeare drama workshop planned at school on 8th February which should be a wonderful opportunity to develop their literacy skills.

Year 1 and 2 are planning a trip to the museum next term to support their Planet Earth project—detail to follow.

Reception have been exploring the school grounds with a forest day and Nursery are celebrating a Burns Day today with some poetry, haggis and dancing!

#### Sacramental Meetings (First Communion)

Tuesday 1st Feb at St Edmund's 6.30pm or  
Wednesday 2nd Feb 3.30pm at St Edmund's

#### School Attendance Matters

#### 17/1/2021– 21/1/2021

RD	93.2%	5 6 H	94.9 %
RP	99.5%	6M	95.9%
1C	88.9%		
1 2G	93.2%		
2C	96.9%		
3S	95%		
3 4C	95.3%		
4C	93.8%		
5F	92.4%		

As attendance regulations have been in full force this year, the school will not authorise leave in term time for holidays. The impact of Covid and changed holiday dates regrettably does not change the expectations for children to maximise their attendance and go away during the term. The Summer half term break has been extended by a day due to The Jubilee bank holiday arrangements so this may give some extra flexibility at half term. (see yesterday's letter).

#### Cross Country

St Edmund's and St Thomas' founders of the (Sefton Primary Schools Athletics Association) have invited 19 Sefton primary schools to a race meeting at Litherland Sports Park on Tuesday 1st February at 4.00pm. These events require a lot of organisation and we rely on voluntary help for people to act as race marshalls If you can spare any time, please contact Deputy Head Ms Pritchard by email by Friday noon. Thank you.

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