



# Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas Parents' Newsletter

## 1st March 2022

Issue 8

### Dear Parents

#### Reading

This Thursday we celebrate World Book Day and children have been invited to dress as one of the characters from their year group's book focus. We want everybody to have a fun day and parents must not feel pressured in any way to go to any great expense with costumes.

#### After School Clubs

Many thanks to the staff who have arranged a wide variety of clubs in reading and Maths, sport and Design Technology.

Support for these activities are significant and the children gain so much academically and socially.

#### Phonics Breakfast Club

Well done to the children who make an early start for the phonics club run by Mrs Gosling and Mrs Gray. Their regular attendance will only benefit their progress!

Watch out for some Key Stage 1 maths clubs starting soon!

#### Year 1 and 2 Authors

Every Tuesday afternoon children in Years 1 and 2 have *Amazing Authors* afternoon. They focus on a different author each half term and the children spend the afternoon carrying out lots of speaking and listening, reading, writing and role play activities.

They are planning to invite secret readers into their class with other staff reading to the children in these classes.

#### Y6 SATs Week

The Y6 SATs return on Monday 9th May 2022 for the week.

### Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and Fr Dominic has kindly agreed to celebrate Mass in Church on Wednesday for the children in Years 3-6 and Lenten services over the next few weeks.

The Easter Weekend is at the end of the Easter Holiday with Bank Holiday Monday on 18th April 2022.

### Football Fixtures

Well done to the team on their recent 2-1 win against Valewood at home. The next fixture is against Ursuline and we wish them well!

### Cross Country Race Meeting

Following on from the success of the last meeting at Litherland sports park, the school hosts the next cross country race meeting at Stuart Road Sports Field (by Hillside School) on Tuesday 1st March 2022 at 3.45pm

Any parents who wish to volunteer to act as race marshalls will be greatly appreciated.

### Year 1 and 2 (Authors) Trip to the World Museum

The children in these groups will participate in an exciting workshop on Minibeasts and will visit the Central Library next door.

### Reminder Y6 Height and Weight Screening 10th March

All Y6 parents were sent letters with an opt out facility by clicking on a link. All children will be involved in this exercise unless you have used the opt out facility.

### School Attendance Matters 21/02–25/02/20

RD	90%	5 6 H	89.7%
RP	92.4%	6M	89.7%
1C	89.3%		
1 2G	93.6%		
2C	94.1%		
3S	91.3%		
3 4C	90%		
4C	94.3%		
5F	95.4%		

Covid is still about and some parents have asked for the latest guidance if their child is showing symptoms.

You will be asked to get your child tested and advised that your child cannot return to school until they return 2 negative LFT tests on days 6 and 7 after testing positive.

### School Nurse Parents Drop In

Please note that our school nurse Joanne Windsor has changed her drop in day to Wednesdays. She will be at school on the last Wednesday of the month from 2.30pm

### School Hall

All children were accommodated in the hall for dinners today as the takeaway era was phased out. This arrangement is preferable to children eating in classrooms at the upper end of the school. Our school hall is limiting in terms of its capacity and I have raised this matter with Liverpool Archdiocese Premises departments on a number of occasions.

### Chicks to hatch in Nursery

The children in Nursery will experience great awe and wonder as they will host hatching chicks in an incubator.

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