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Dear Parents, Carers

The children returned from the half term break refreshed and ready to go again! Our youngest children are settling well and are learning routines quickly. There is an increase in after school clubs with a wide variety of activities on offer and we are very appreciative for all you have been doing to support your children at school. The return to face to face parent evenings was welcomed by many and the commitment to the development of reading has been strong. Well done to the children who come in for the breakfast reading sessions with Ms Kelly and Mrs Martin three mornings per week.

Fabulous Fireworks Display

Many thanks to Mr Gorst, Mr Griffiths, Mr Mackinnon, Bernie Gosling, Jane Strange, Suzanne Blundell and the army of parent and staff volunteers who made the night a great success! The weather held well for the event and your support was greatly appreciated.

Residential Visit to Robinwood Wrexham

Y6 Robinwood payments can be made through Pay360. Please contact Mrs Hoban if you have any queries with your payment plan.

Parental Questionnaire Results

Thanks to all those who participated in the online parental questionnaire before the half term. The results were very pleasing and are displayed on the screen in the foyer. The response will drive us forward in enhancing the school's provision

Netball Tournament

The netball team are representing the school in a tournament at Merchant Taylors School tonight. Good luck everybody!

Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Craft Y1 Y2 3.05 - 4.00pm Mrs McCormick Y3 4 Writing Club Mrs Claro	Singing Club 3.10- 4.00pm Mrs Greaney Y1 -Y6 Lego Master builders Club Y3 Y4 Mrs Clayton	Lunchtime Art Club Mrs Tyrrell	

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8am Basketball	8.00am Y3 -Y6 Dodgeball	8.00am Rec -Y2 Multisports	8.00am Y3 -Y6 Quickball Throwig and Catching	
Y3 -Y6 Football Boys	Y3 Y6 Football Girls Miss Sharrockwoods	Y3 -Y6 Netball	Y3 Y6 Athletics and Cross Country	

Twitter Account

Thank you Mrs Metcalfe for launching our Twitter account. You will receive a letter today highlighting its purpose of exclusively positively promoting St Edmund's and St Thomas

Behaviour Policy

The management of behaviour in schools at a national level has been reviewed and we have updated our behaviour policy which is on the website. We recognize that your support and influence is vital to the success of the children's behaviour and their response to all activities in school. Over many years, the overwhelming majority of our parents have been greatly supportive of the school's approach and this close alignment of expectations contributes to the children feeling safe, listened to and developing a very good sense of wellbeing. Please do read the policy so that you see the full scope of our response and responsibility.

Attendance Matters

Our attendance policy has recently been reviewed and we have some significant concerns about persistent absence. The Department for Education categorises children with less than 90% attendance as persistent absentees. Please do all you can to ensure that your child has great attendance. Thank you!

School Christmas Dates for Your Diary

Christmas Market and Santa grotto Wednesday 7th December 4.00pm

13th December Reception and Nursery Nativity (Church 2.00pm)
 14th December Year 3 -6 (KS2) Christmas Performance (2.00pm)
 15th December Year 1 and 2 (KS1) Christmas Performance (2.15pm)

Friday 16th December Whole School Cinema Christmas Film Trip

Monday 19th December Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

End of Term Wednesday 21st December. School closes at 1.30pm.

Listening to Reading at Home

We ask the staff to highlight children who are not reading at home as it make a significant impact on their approach in school. Please please, please, do all you can to set aside a small amount of time to listen to your child read. It is so valuable to developing their confidence and really boosting their approach to all areas of learning. Thank you

Yours sincerely.



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