



# 4th November 2022 St Edmund Campion Newsletter

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to the next half term.

It's been lovely to see everyone back after the holiday, refreshed and ready to learn.

It's been a busy week as you would expect and there are lots of wonderful things to share with you this week.

## All Saints Mass

Year 5 and 6 children joined with the parishioners at the Church of the Holy Spirit on the Feast of All Saints. I was immensely proud of them all, not only in the manner in which they conducted themselves on the walk to and from the church but also the way in which they participated in the mass.

It was lovely to join with the Parish on this special feast day when we look to the Saints to inspire us.

The children benefited from being there and sang beautifully. So many parishioners complimented them on their behaviour and said how lovely it was to share mass with them.

Year 3 and 4 led a liturgy within school for the rest of our community. They rose to the challenge and took on the responsibility of leading the rest of the school in a reflection on trying to be more like the Saints.

## Fire Fighter Visit

On Tuesday afternoon we welcome firefighter Craig Langton to our school. He led two assemblies with the important message of keeping safe this coming weekend, bonfire night.

He talked in general about fire safety and how to stop, drop and roll in case of emergency.

Please talk to your children about this and have a fun and safe weekend.

## Disco

The children thoroughly enjoyed the disco on Wednesday afternoon.

They mastered dance moves, sang along and had a good time.

Thank you to the Parents Association for their support and organisation. It was wonderful to see so many volunteers there.

## Year 6 Assembly

This morning both year 6 classes shared with the rest of the school their achievements of the past half term and everything they have shown commitment to.

Their assembly was inspirational. It is amazing how much they have crammed into 7 weeks, they have certainly grown and taken on their role as the eldest children in our school.

They spoke confidently, sang beautifully, shared their work proudly and made us all smile with the photographs of their residential.

It was wonderful to have so many parents and grand parents with us this morning to share this happy occasion.

## House Competition

Today the children and staff all took part in a House competition.

It is always lovely to see all the year groups intermingling and working together towards a shared goal.

Today's goal is all about their house Saint.

They produced artwork, dressed as their Saint, designed a flag for their Saint, created a song, the House Captains are leading a presentation about their Saints and it all culminated in a full school assembly in the afternoon to show off and celebrate their work as well as gaining stars for their house.

An exhausting but rewarding afternoon.

## Brackenhurst - Vertical Farming

Today our Eco-Council took part in a visit to Brackenhurst Campus at Nottingham Trent University.

They visited a really innovative development about Vertical Farming.

This is a very exciting development for us a school and we look forward to working alongside the University. The Eco council will be leading the school in an assembly all about their visit on November the 18th.

## Internet Safety

As a School we are experiencing an ever increasing amount of issues surrounding children and internet safety.

Whilst Online safety is taught through our computing curriculum is is also a topic that needs to be addressed within the home.

We work together with parents to ensure children are safe and well prepared to be citizens in a digital world.

Please take a look at our website, under the Parents Tab where there is a number of informative guides to Online Safety for parents.

As a school we have been accredited by the National Online Safety board, and teachers recently sent out their latest newsletter via Seesaw which contains lots of useful information.

## Attendance

We take pride in our attendance at SEC and want to share this with you.

FOUNDATION	96.9%
YEAR 1	94.9%
YEAR 2	99%
YEAR 3	98.4%
YEAR 4	95.7%
YEAR 5	97.7%
YEAR 6	96.9%

Your support with ensuring all children have a good level of attendance is wonderful. Please remember that excellent attendance leads to amazing achievements. This week, we have achieved 97.1% attendance as a whole school. Our year 2 Pupils are overall attendance winners with 99% well done.

## Looking Ahead

- 11.11.2022 - Remembrance Liturgies: KS2: 09:30 KS1: 14:45
- 14.11.2022 - Anti- Bullying Week
- 17.11.2022 - Prospective New Parents meeting 10:30 (Foundation for next September)
- 18.11.2022 - Children in Need: Details to follow
- 20.11.2022 - Mass for the new Parish celebrated with Bishop Patrick - At the Becket School 11:00