



St Edmund's Catholic Primary School

Live together, pray together, learn together and grow together in Christ

Interim Executive Head Teacher Miss Cairns

Interim Deputy Head Teacher Mr Wright

Upcoming Dates

Sunday 2nd October

Sacramental Mass

10am at St Patrick's

10th, 11th, 13th October

Reception Parent's Evening

Tuesday 11th October

Macmillan Coffee Morning

9.05am in school Dining Room

Wednesday 12th October

Harvest Festival Liturgy 10am

Thursday 13th October

Parents' evening for Year 1 - 6

Thursday 13th October

Nursery Parents' Morning

Friday 14th October

Nursery Parents' Morning

14th-17th October

Year 6 Residential Trip

Tuesday 18th October

Year 4 trip to Conkers

Monday 24th October -

Friday 28th October

Half Term Holiday

Head Teacher Message and Prayer

Dear God,

We open the doors wide of our school and invite you in.
Please be in our lessons and help us to concentrate and learn.
Fill us with happiness as we discover more about the world.
Guide our creativity to express ourselves in art, music and movement.
Help us to share, care for and love one another.
Watch over us and protect us as we run and play outside.
Please come and be a part of everything we do today. Amen

A BIG welcome back to all our pupils.

I hope you all had a happy, restful holiday.

It has been wonderful over the past couple of weeks to see you all again.

I'm sure you will all join me in welcoming in to our St Edmund's family our youngest pupils, who have started this year in Early Years and children in other year groups who are new to school.

May their time at St Edmund's be blessed and filled with happiness, love and pride in their achievements.

Miss Cairns

Each class will be holding an **LITERACY INSPIRE workshop in the next few weeks.** Please make every effort to attend; lots of ideas for supporting your child's learning at home will be shared.

Nursery Thursday 6th October 9am

Reception Thursday 6th October 9am

Year 1 Thursday 6th October 9am

Year 2 Thursday 6th October 9am

Year 3 Monday 17th October 2pm

Year 4 Tuesday 11th October 2pm

Year 5 Tuesday 11th October 2pm

Year 6 Wednesday 19th October 9am



We are very happy to announce that Mrs Burch has recently got married and her new name is Mrs Appleby. We wish her and Mr Appleby every blessing and joy as they start their married life together.



Stars of the Week September 30th - Congratulations to...



EYFS Arianna, Year 1 Faiza, Year 2 Meron,

Year 3 Christopher, Year 4 Mina, Year 5 Amen, Year 6 Ebun

House Point Winners of the Week - Congratulations to ...

St George's!!!

Attendance for September

<u>Reception</u> 97.41%	<u>Year 4</u> 94.60%
<u>Year 1</u> 94.48%	<u>Year 5</u> 94.98%
<u>Year 2</u> 93.44%	<u>Year 6</u> 95.93%
<u>Year 3</u> 96.35%	<u>Whole school average</u> 95.30%
Well done!!!	



Reminders

NUT ALLERGY Please make sure you have read the letter that was sent out this week about keeping children safe who have nut allergies

WINTER COATS As the weather is now turning colder, please make sure that your child wears their coat to school. The children go out to play twice during the day, even when it's cold. Thank you.

PE KIT Please make sure that your child has a PE kit in school - black shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. This is part of their school uniform. Thank you

LUNCH MONEY prices for the Autumn Term the price of a school meal is increasing. The prices are: Nursery £2.20, Y3 - Y6 £2.50.

SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK Please make sure that you and you children use the path when you arrive at school. Please **do not** cut across the car park.

PARENTS' INVOLVEMENT

Each Wednesday from 9-11am, a **FREE SPOKEN ENGLISH** course will be taking place in the school house for the next ten weeks. There are couple of places left. Please ask the school office for a form if you are interested.

The joint Governing Body of St Edmund's and St Patrick's Catholic Schools wish to appoint a Parent Governor. If you are interested in supporting school in its mission to provide the very best for your children and in helping the school to develop its strategic vision, then please contact Mrs Linda Rose, Clerk to the Governors via email l.rose@stedmund.bham.sch.uk for further information or ask for an information pack at the school office.

Family Support

At St Edmund's, we are very lucky to have the support of Mrs Jenny Ransom who works for Father Hudson's, a charity supporting families.

Mrs Ransom works in school on Thursday morning.

If you wish to make an appointment, please contact the school office.

Mrs Ransom can offer **confidential** support in the following areas:

- Housing issues
- Benefits advice
- Financial advice
- Children's clothing
- White goods i.e. washing machines, fridges etc.

Mrs Ransom currently has some baby clothes and some baby equipment available. If you are in need of any of these items, please contact the school office who will put you in touch with Mrs Ransom.

ParentWise is a government website that can give you advice and guidance if you are worried about your child's safety online, peer pressure, wellbeing. <https://parentwise.campaign.gov.uk/>

As fuel prices rise, help is available from British Gas even if they are not your gas supplier. Free resources to help make sure you're getting the support and benefits you may be entitled to.

They fund frontline advice services in local communities providing free 1-2-1 money, benefits, and energy efficiency advice. They also run a direct access energy debt programme - awarding grants to households that remove energy debt, fund emergency fuel credit and provide boiler replacements. <https://britishgasenergytrust.org.uk/>

Local Welfare Provision Grant. This is a grant available to families who are struggling to meet their short term financial needs. This grant can be applied for directly by families at the following link

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/20017/benefits_and_support/308/help_in_a_short-term_crisis

If you need help applying, please contact the school office.