



ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY
& NURSERY SCHOOL

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We carry the light of Christ as we love, live, learn and look after others.

September News 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back to a new school year! It is lovely to see all the children return happily to school and they have settled in better than ever. They all look very smart in their uniforms. I am grateful for your support in this. We welcome all our new children, staff and parents and hope that they feel a part of St Edward's school family.

Parish Sponsored Walk: The annual sponsored parish walk will take place this year on Sunday 24th September after the 10.30am Mass, leaving our Parish Church of the Sacred Heart and St, Teresa at 12 noon. We are a big part of the parish and are glad to be working together as one community. Sponsor forms are available from Fr. Kevin or School. All Parents and children are welcome to walk.

PTFA: There will be an AGM meeting on Tuesday 19th September at 7pm at school. Please come along if at all possible as we need as much help as possible for our ventures this year. Remember that all the funds raised go directly to the children in some way or another. Thank you for your support in the summer term – we raised £920 from the Summer Fayre and £847 from the disco.

Kitchen: We have had our Kitchen refurbished over the summer holiday with new ventilation and new appliances installed.

Jaguar Land Rover: A big thank you to Jaguar Land Rover for completing painting work in our Nursery and after school area.

Pantomime Trip: A Christmas trip to the Pantomime has been arranged for years 1-6 on Thursday 14th December. Further details are to follow nearer the time.

Holidays in term time: Please remember that holidays during term time are most definitely detrimental to a child's education as well as being very unsettling for them. Guidance from Government does not allow for holidays taken in term time to be authorised. There is no way a teacher can recreate the teaching time missed and there are times when a subject may not be revisited again for several terms, which can lead to gaps in the children's knowledge and a loss of confidence. Please consider your requests very carefully, thank you.

Home School Liaison Books: The Liaison Books have arrived in school and they will be distributed to the children this week once payment has been received. Please be sure to fill in the permission sections in your child's planner. The Liaison books cost £4.50 and they can be paid for on Parentpay. I apologise for the price but we have subsidised the cost and rely on all parents contributions.

Free school meals: All children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals. Children in the junior classes may be entitled to free meals as well, particularly if you are in receipt of child tax credit. Applications can be submitted on-line at: <http://warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals> or by phoning: 01926 359189 By taking up this entitlement, you are also helping school finances as well as your own!

SAT's Week: Week beginning Monday 14th May 2017

Uniform: For the new year can I remind you that the school uniform consists of: Grey shorts/skirt, light blue polo shirt, burgundy jumper or cardigan, black school shoes (no trainers) and black/white pumps for indoor use. Y5/6 may wear long grey trousers and do not need pumps. Please label all uniform. No nail varnish please!

P.E. kit: Red shorts, white tee shirt and white socks. Trainers may be worn for outdoor use and dark tracksuit bottoms for inclement weather.

Hair: Long hair should be tied back, but no hair ornaments please! And no tram lines!

Parking: We have had numerous complaints from residents who live near the school about our parents parking on grass verges and double yellow/zigzag lines. We know that parking is a problem and we are continually trying to alleviate this problem. In the meantime can parents please adhere to the Highway code when parking.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ✦ Swimming for year 6 begins: Thursday 7th September 1.30pm.
- ✦ Swimming for year 5 begins: Wednesday 13th September 10.45am
- ✦ Years 5 and 6 School football training, Thursday 7th Sept. 3.15pm - 4.15pm
- ✦ Beginning of School Year Mass - Tuesday 12th September at 9.15am
- ✦ Cross- Country training begins: Tuesday 12th September 3.15pm to 4.15pm
- ✦ Girls' Football training for years 4, 5 and 6 - Thursday 14th September 3.15 to 4.15pm.
- ✦ Computer Club begins: Friday 15th September 3.15pm to 4.15pm
- ✦ PTFA AGM - Tuesday 19th September at 7pm at school.
- ✦ District Football trials 6pm at The Coleshill School - Monday 11th September
- ✦ Year 4 Football Newton Shield at Baddesley Fields 2pm to 6pm - Thursday 21st September
- ✦ St. Thomas More School to speak to year 6 Parents at St Edward's at 7pm.
- ✦ Parish Walk - Sunday 24th September at 12 noon.
- ✦ Football - Acton Shield at Baddesley Fields years 5 and 6 - 2pm to 6pm Thursday 28th September
- ✦ Celebration Assembly - Friday 29th. September at 2.30pm
- ✦ Girls' Football - Pearson Shield at Baddesley fields - Thursday 5th October 2pm.
- ✦ Harvest Festival - Friday 6th October at 2.15pm Autumn Colours - non-uniform
- ✦ Holy Communion Meeting - 7pm Monday 9th October for Year 3 Parents
- ✦ St Edward's Feast Day Mass and 100 year celebration - Friday 13th October at 9.15am
- ✦ Holy Communion Enrolment Mass - Sunday 15th October at 10.45am
- ✦ Parents evenings - Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th October. Times will be advised.
- ✦ Disco 3.15pm to 4.45pm - Thursday 19th October
- ✦ School Photos - Thursday 19th October.
- ✦ Celebration Assembly - Friday 20th October at 2.30pm.
- ✦ Break up for half-term - Friday 20th October
- ✦ **Half-term: Monday 23rd.October to Friday 27th.October.** School reopens on Tuesday 31st. October.
- ✦ **INSET-** Monday 30th. October.
- ✦ All Saints Feast Day - Mass 9.15am - Wednesday 1st November
- ✦ Remembrance Mass 9.15am. - Tuesday 7th November
- ✦ Cross Country at Birchwood 4pm. - Tuesday 7th November
- ✦ Confirmation Meeting for Parents of children in Year 6 - Monday 13th Nov. 7pm.
- ✦ New intake day for new Parents for September '18 - Wednesday 15th November.
- ✦ Celebration Assembly - Friday 17th November at 2.30pm
- ✦ Confirmation Enrolment Mass - Sunday 19th November at 10.45am
- ✦ Winter Fayre - Friday 24th November at 6pm to 8pm
- ✦ Celebration for the feast of St Andrew - Wednesday 30th November
- ✦ Celebration Assembly - Friday 8th December at 2.30pm
- ✦ Belgrade Theatre Pantomime trip years 1 to 6 - Tuesday 14th December 9.15am
- ✦ Nativity - 18th December at 1.30pm and 20th December at 9.30am
- ✦ Christmas Party - Infants - Tuesday 19th December
- ✦ School Disco - 3.15pm to 4.45pm - Wednesday 20th December
- ✦ Christmas Party - Juniors - Thursday 21st December
- ✦ Christmas Mass - Friday 22nd December at 9.15am. All welcome!
- ✦ Last day of the term - Friday 22nd December.

*With very best wishes,
Patrick Ward and staff*