



**St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary
A Voluntary Academy**

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Hand in hand with Jesus Christ, we live, love and learn together.

St Edmund Campion Newsletter – 19th January 2017

Happy New Year to you all!

We are all back in the swing of the new term and are busy getting on with life at SEC in 2017. Already there are lots of things to keep you informed about.

Epiphany Mass

We started 2017 with a wonderful Mass for the feast of the Epiphany. Father Michael led us in prayer and we gave thanks for the gift of Jesus and reflected on the gifts we can give to our school and the wider community. Children thought about giving the gift of friendship, generosity, peace and love. We reflected that now the work of Christmas begins – to feed the hungry to look after the poor and to put our faith into action.

A Very Important Plea

Please, please, please remember that any nuts are **not** allowed in school as part of packed lunches or snacks or for any reason. This includes things like Nutella, hummus, peanut butter. Last week members of staff had to administer an epipen and paramedics had to be called to the school for a child who suffers with severe allergies. In this instance the reaction was caused by airborne contact rather than ingesting. We have a number of children who have severe allergies and exposure to nuts or nut products can cause a very serious reactions. I know that you will support us in this very important matter.

Parent Forum

The Parent Forum met last night to discuss a number of issues that affect the school community. Some of the issues discussed were the introduction of a sandwich option for Key Stage 2 children at lunch. The members of the Forum felt that you may appreciate some photographs of the food options available to the children. We will put some pictures on Twitter. We will also arrange some opportunities for parents to come and share a school lunch.



The forum also thought that you may like to hear about all the opportunities the children have at our school. We strive to provide all the children with the chance to shine and offer a wide range of activities in school and positions of responsibility. We have School and House Captains, positions that are voted for by the Year 6 children. Other members of Year 6 are librarians, Play Leaders, Pen Pals (supporting and playing with younger children). We also have a School Council with representative from Year 2 to Year 6. Our Eco Council is an active part of the school with representatives from each class voted for by their classes. As you know children have many opportunities to participate in celebrations throughout the year – assemblies, Masses , liturgies, Advent Celebrations, Christmas celebrations, Holy Week dramas. Parents are invited along to share these events and there are many more opportunities such as class liturgies that children plan and lead themselves. Our aim is for all to shine, all to share their gifts and talents.

Foundation do not have any representation on the Parent Forum. Anyone interested in joining us please arrange to see me.

Sporting Activity

Children at St Edmund Campion have been busy representing our school in a number of sporting competitions. Year 4 children took part in an athletics competition and were amazing! Mr Tuckwell and Mrs Woolley returned to school with tales of superb effort and winning ways. We took two teams to the inter-school competition; both teams qualified for the final with one finishing first and the other finishing fourth. Well done to all the children who were excellent.

Year 6 children have also represented the school playing hockey. There were 24 children playing in the 3rd of 5 winter festivals.

Miss Chipperfield's basketball club is in full flow and the Premier Sports afterschool clubs continue to be well supported.

Rushcliffe 10k and Fun Run

The 10k and Fun Run is on Sunday 5 March at Rushcliffe Country Park. If there any willing parents or children who would like to join Mr Tuckwell entry can be completed online www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/10k/ Limited entries available, book now to avoid disappointment.

Talent Show

We are really looking forward to our Talent Shows on Friday. The children have voted in their houses for representative acts. Everyone is welcome to join us on Friday 9.30am for Foundation and Key Stage 1 and 1.30pm for Key Stage 2. This will certainly be a chance to banish the January blues and smile! Congratulations to all the children who auditioned. As a school we were amazed with our pool of talent. Bring on Friday!



Piano for sale

If there is anyone who would like an upright piano, the residents of Marlborough Court have one to sell and are looking for a donation for one. If you are interested please contact Carol, the scheme manager at Marlborough Court.

Parents Association

A meeting took place this week and the Parents Association have a number of events planned. The next is a disco on Friday 27th January. The disco will take place during the school day. The Parents Association will be sending out more information about the disco very soon.

Mrs Blake

(See next page for important dates for the Spring term 2017 – please keep for future reference. Thank you)



St Edmund Campion - Dates for the Spring term 2017

- 27.01.17 Year 5 Mass 9.10am – parents welcome
School disco
- 31.01.17 Internet Safety Evening for Parents 6.30pm
- 01.02.17 Parents 'Drop in Session' RE: After School Club – 7pm
- 03.02.17 Year 4 Mass 9.10am – parents welcome
- 05.02.17 St Edmund Campion children singing at reading at 9.00am Mass at Holy Spirit Church
- 10.02.17 INSET day (school closed to all pupils)**
- 11.02.17 Celebration for Fr John & Fr Michael (2 significant birthdays!) more details to follow
- 13.02.17 – 17.02.17 half term**
- 20.02.17 Return to school
- 24.02.17 Year 1 Assembly 9.10am – parents welcome
- 01.03.17 Ash Wednesday Mass
- 02.03.17 World Book Day
- 03.03.17 Year 3 Assembly 9.10am – parents welcome
- 08.03.17 Parent Consultations 3.30pm-6.30pm
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- 10.03.17 World Maths Day
- 14.03.17 Jane Stapleton Photographers in school (class photos)
- 15.03.17 Parent Forum Meeting 7pm
- 17.03.17 Year 2 Assembly 9.10am – parents welcome
- 24.03.17 Red Nose Day
- 27.03.17 Entry into Jerusalem led by Year 4 (times to be confirmed)
- 28.03.17 Passover celebration
- 29.03.17 Mass of the Last Supper 9.10am led by Year 5
- 30.03.17 Crucifixion led by Year 6 (times to be confirmed)
- 31.03.17 Spring Raffle draw