



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our first teacher parent meetings. These are really important as they share how your child has settled into their new class, the relationships they have with their peers and teaching staff and also how they are achieving on a new curriculum. If you were unable to attend and haven't spoken to your child's class teacher yet it is please do so this week. **Year 3 meetings will take place on 7th November .**

On Thursday we join the parish celebrating the feast of St Edward. Please join us in church at 9:15am.

On Friday, we are having our final Friday of the month Fairtrade tuck shop. It doesn't seem that long ago we had one but the final Friday fall in half term, the parish group value the support we give to this and we know the children also enjoy a sweet treat at break time. Children can bring in 50p. Also on Friday, the whole school will enjoy a theatre production of the Sword in the Stone.

Our second INSET of this year is Monday 21st November. School will be closed to all pupils on this day.

RESIDENTIAL TO HATHERSAGE

Today, 34 children from Year 3 and 4 will go off site on a 2 night residential to St Michaels Environmental Centre in Hathersage. During their time away they will take part in orienteering, pond dipping, a train ride and lots of walking!!! Thank you to Miss Toplass, Mr Whittle, Mrs Rogers and Mrs Nicholson for giving up their own time away from home to make this residential possible. Please don't contact the office for updates, we will text messages and photos will be uploaded to our twitter page [@elseacademy](https://twitter.com/elseacademy)

Y6 TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

As we approach half term we must remind you that **the closing date for applications is Monday 31st October 2022.** Should you wish to make an on-line application but do not have access to the internet, we are happy to help you do this in school. Due to half term, this will need to be completed this week. The last day for school to post supplementary forms and Baptism certificates is Wednesday 12th October. **If you apply after the deadline this may reduce your chances of getting a place at your preferred school, particularly if it is popular.**

RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If your child is baptised Catholic and in Year three or above and has not yet received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion there is some information available about the programme which will commence in January for children and families. Forms to enrol on this preparation are available from the sacristy at each church after Mass. **They must be returned by 18th December. Any forms returned after this date will not be accepted. They must be returned to the parish, not school.**



WORD OF THE WEEK: DIVERSITY



Our school gives everyone the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of different cultures and traditions. It inspires us to celebrate our differences and recognise that we are all unique and important parts of the Body of Christ. Think this week about what you bring to your community and just how much you receive from those around you.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Basketball (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Dodgeball (Year 1,2 and 3)	All day 3:30 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Multi-Sports (Year 1,2 and 3)	3:30 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tag Rugby (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Our Education Welfare Officer, Mrs Bradshaw, monitors attendance daily and continues to make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

Mrs Bradshaw said:

“Attendance is improving weekly across the whole school so keep it up after half term too. This week's winners were Year 4 with 100% followed closely behind by Year 2 and Year 6 with 99.3%.”

School Matters!



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
29.08.22	31.08.21: INSET Day 01.09.21: School opens to pupils	01.09.22 Welcome back Assembly	
05.09.22		05.09.22 Whole School Assembly	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
12.09.22		14.09.22 Welcome Mass led by Year 6. 9:15am in school 16.09.22 Choir begins for Year 3 and 4 16.09.22: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
19.09.22	23.09.22: International Day of languages	19.09.22 Whole School Assembly 23.09.22 International Day Assembly 2:30pm	
26.09.22		26.09.22 Whole School Assembly 30.09.22 St Therese of Liseux Feast Day 30.09.22 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	26.09.22 Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket 6pm 27.09.22 Parents Meetings regarding residential to Hathersage
03.10.22	07.10.22 World Mental Health Day	04.10.22 Our Lady of Lourdes Mass 07.10.22 World Mental Health Day	03.10.22 Teacher – Parents meetings 1:00pm-6:30pm
10.10.22	10 th – 12 th Residential to Hathersage Year 3 and 4	10.10.22 Whole School Assembly 12.10.22 Harvest Liturgy led by Year 5, 2:30pm 13.10.22 Feast of St Edward Mass in church 9:15am 14.10.22 Achiever of the Half Term Awards	
17.10.22	HALF TERM		
24.10.22	HALF TERM		
31.10.22		31.11.22 Whole School Assembly 01.11.22 All Saints Day Mass 03.11.22 Year 6 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter 04.11.22: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
07.11.22		07.11.22 Whole School Assembly 10.11.22 Year 5 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter 11.11.22: Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45am	
14.11.22	Anti-bullying Week	14.11.22 Whole School Assembly 17.11.22 Year 4 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter 18.11.22 Judaism Celebration	
21.11.22		24.11.22 Year 3 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter	21.11.22 INSET Day – school closed to pupils
28.11.22		28.11.22 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6 2:30pm 02.12.22: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
05.12.22	09.12.22: Christmas jumper day	05.12.22 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5 9:10pm 05.12.22 Advent Reconciliation Year 4 -6	
12.12.22	14.12.22: Foundation Nativity 1:30pm 15.12.22: Foundation Nativity 10am	16.12.22 Achiever of the half Term awards.	
19.12.22	19.12.22: Christmas Dinner	21.12.22 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 3 and 4	

PUPIL VOICE

As you know this half term has been very busy with children applying for various roles around school. So far, we have appointed:

Chaplaincy: Victor, Debbie, Osinachi, Horeyb, Thomas, Vivian, Emily, Kornelia, Ashley and Dominik

House Captains: Bethlehem, Thomas, Debbie, Emily, Horeyb, Osinachi, Emila and Victor

Well – being champions: Modupe, Osinachi, Evie, Caitlyn, Favour, Oskar, Ashley, Mollie, Jade, Emilia, Kylie and Dominik.

Pupil Librarians: Gordon, Jessy, Joan, Julia, Kayanna, Keira, Serghel, Siyane, Tommy and Tyler.

**PARISH NOTICES:**

Prisoners' Sunday - 9th October: We will remember prisoners and their families at Mass this weekend. Deacon Anthony will speak at some of our Masses, sharing some of his work as a local prison chaplain. Let's pray in particular for all staff, prisoners and their families from our local prisons; Nottingham, Lowdham Grange and Whatton. We also pray for the work of PACT – the Catholic prison charity. Visit: www.prisonadvice.org.uk for other info.

Feast of St Edward the Confessor: this Thursday is one of the patronal feasts of our parish, so we will have Mass that day at 9.15 in Our Lady & St Edward's Church. We will be joined by the school – come along and celebrate one of our churches. Join our Day of celebration and Reflection: Who is it for? Anyone who is involved (or would like to be) in our Sacramental Preparation Groups or Children's Liturgy, past, present, or future. On Saturday October 29th 9.30am – 2.30 pm at Sacred Heart Community Centre. Further details now available from the back of church.

OLSE Foodbank Appeal: Tins of rice pudding, fruit, custard, evaporated milk, baked beans, tomatoes, carrots, peas, sweet corn, chick peas, ham, corned beef, hot dogs, stewed steak, tuna. Packets of pasta, rice, cereals, biscuits. Jars of jam and pasta sauces. Also, washing up liquid and hand soap. If you could donate any of these items on a regular basis we could support more people. Also PLEASE let us know if you, or anyone you know, is in need of help. The work we do is on a confidential basis so please don't hesitate to contact us on 07847 954163 or 9621319"

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion preparation: forms to enrol on this preparation are available from the sacristy at each church after Mass. They must be returned by 18th December. Any forms returned after this date will not be accepted. They must be returned to the parish, not school. Children currently in Year 3 or above are eligible to join.

Parish retreat/pilgrimage: to Lindisfarne (Holy Island), Northumberland. The proposed trip would be for 3 nights from Sunday 5th March to Wednesday 8th March 2023. Accommodation would be self-catering in houses of 8, none of which would be single rooms at a cost of around £130, plus food and transport (car sharing). Are you interested? No commitment needed at this point. If we have sufficient interest, we can book accommodation. If you think you would like to go or if you would just like more information, please contact either Denise (0115 9401397 or 07962186346) or the parish office.

The Centenary Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be visiting Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham NG5 4HT on Sunday 16th October. This statue will be accompanied by relics of Saints Francisco and Jacinta Marto, two of the children who saw the Blessed Virgin at Fatima in 1917. Mass will be celebrated by the Bishop at 10.00am, after which there will be a talk on Fatima, enrolment in the Brown Scapular, a Holy Hour, and a break during which a buffet lunch will be available in the church.

Celebration of Baptisms: we have always been very flexible about dates and times of baptisms, but it is getting difficult to fit them in, so from now on, there will be new arrangements; after each Baptism Preparation Programme (3 times a year) there will be several dates and times available for baptisms and families will be asked to choose from this list. For each date/time slot, there will be capacity for two families to have the baptism together. Baptisms during the weekend Masses will be encouraged.

Vocation Prayer Cards: please take one from the back of church. Take a minute or two to say the Prayer for Vocations for the daily intention on the card. Website: dioceseofnottingham.uk/vocations.

This week:

- Scripture Group: Our Lady & St Edward's Café - 2 pm Wednesday 12th October.
- Scripture Group at Sacred Heart: Thursday 13th October 2 pm in the sisters of St Joseph of Peace Convent. - both groups focussing on: Lk 18:1-8. All welcome.
- Community Café: Thursday at 1.30 pm in the Sacred Heart Community Centre - everyone welcome.
- Meditation Group: No meeting this Thursday.

Wednesday Word: for children's resources on today's Gospel: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/thankfulness?pid=MTA101634&v=71.3>

Warm Spaces: This is to provide a heated space so people can socialise and don't have to heat their homes for a few hours in the day, and to provide refreshments, maybe soup and a roll, commencing in November and continuing until February. Thursday Drop in Café at Sacred Heart will extend their hours and activities to include this. Our Lady & St Edward's are opening on Wednesdays and St Augustine's on Mondays – thank you to those that have volunteered already but we do need more teams of helpers to make this work. Contact Fr Joe, Fr Phil or Diane.

CAFOD Family Fast Day: second collection today - World Food Crisis Appeal. Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please return your envelope today or donate via the website: cafod.org.uk/fastday

Bring your loaves and fishes: Breaking bread, reaching out in the cost-of-living crisis. Event to be held on Saturday 5th November, 10.00am–4.15pm at Saint Joseph's parish, Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG. Caritas in the Diocese of Nottingham warmly invites you to its annual gathering. Amid growing hardship in our neighbourhoods 'Bring your loaves and fishes' will help every parish to share their gifts and reach out. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick and ends with an opportunity to make plans to take back to the parishes. Keynote speakers are Sean Ryan from Together for the Common Good and Dr Amy Daughton from the University of Birmingham. Workshops will include listening to our neighbours in need, opening a parish drop-in, warm churches and homes, and Britain's hunger crisis in global context. For more information and to book visit bit.ly/LoavesandFishes2022

Parish Maintenance Team: with 9 buildings across three sites, there is always a list of maintenance tasks so we would like to form a small team to oversee the maintenance across the parish. If you think you can help out Monday 31st October, 7pm at Sacred Heart Community Centre, come along and we'll look at building a team.

Fr Joe is on leave from the 14th - 28th October. During this time, please contact Diane Williams in the Parish Office for all routine enquiries and Fr Philip will be available for all pastoral or urgent matters.

Welcomers Appeal: please consider helping out as a Welcomer at Our Lady and St Edward's or St Augustine's. The role of the welcomer sets the tone for the community's celebration. The quality of the welcome reflects the life of the community. Contact the office or one of the existing welcomers if you are able to help. Training/shadowing will be available. Thank you.



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On Friday, everyone in school was invited to wear yellow to remind us that our mind, our thoughts and our feelings are important. When we feel physically poorly, we rest or talk to a doctor, it is important to know we must do the same when we have feelings that make us feel uncomfortable.

We started the day with a whole school assembly talking about the different feelings we have and how everyone feels these albeit at different times. We thought about the different things that might make us feel different emotions eg happy / excited / upset / worried / angry. We shared different ways we manage these emotions as well as who we may turn to for support.

Throughout the day the children took part in lots of lovely activities which they chose in their classes.

Nursery went Bananas making hats, enjoying banana splits and playing together with lots of yellow toys.

Reception: watched a film with lots of sweet treats

Year 1 decorated emotion cookies

Year 2: enjoyed a self-belief dance, played a friendship circle game, had free choosing time and got creative to make positive messages for our friends.

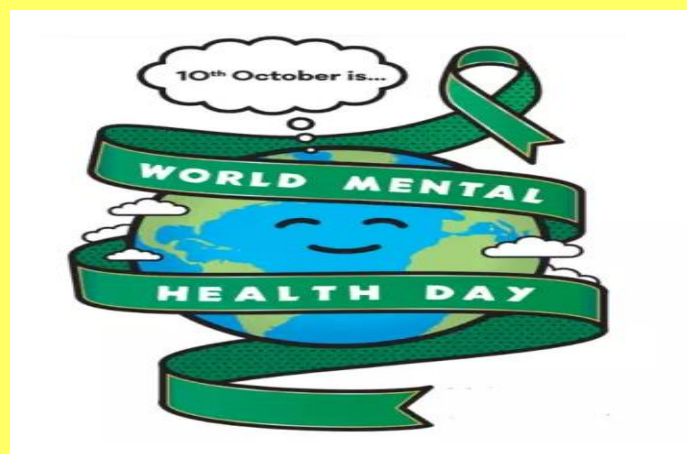
Year 3 enjoyed watching a film with hot chocolate and popcorn

Year 4 enjoyed sweets and a film.

Year 5 enjoyed watching a film, drinking hot chocolate and eating lots of sweets.

Year 6 played Kahoot and watched a film.

Please look on Twitter @elseacademy at the photos.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 10 th October	9am (SH)	MASS Rivers' family and friends ints
Tuesday 11 th October	10am (SA)	MASS Marie Dore - recovery
Wednesday 12 th October	9am (OLSE)	MASS Holy Souls RIP
Thursday 13 th October St Edward the Confessor	9:15am (OLSE)	MASS People of the parish Feast day of Our Lady & St Edward's Church.
Friday 14 th October	9am (SH) 9am (OLSE)	MASS Kate & Jimmy Doherty RIP Peter Quang Tran RIP
Saturday 15 th October	6.30pm (SH)	VIGIL MASS Guido Zazzaro RIP
Sunday 16 th October 29th Sunday of the year.	8.45am (St C) 9.30am (OLSE) 10.00am (SH) 11.00am (SA) 11.30am (OLSE)	MASS Eileen & Dave Sheppard's intentions Mary Frettingham RIP (b'day) Patrick & Annie Coyle RIP Peter Tompkins - recovery Susan & Christopher Casey RIP

Harvest Liturgy led by Year 5 – Wednesday 12th October at 2.30pm

We warmly invite you to this year's Harvest Liturgy. Each year, we work to help our local St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) by collecting food and cleaning items to give out to families in need. We have put together a list of items that are needed and have given two options to each class. This will enable SVP to make up food parcels and redistribute to those in need locally.

Nursery – Bags of pasta or packet of biscuits

Reception – tuna or rice

Year One – Washing up liquid or rice pudding

Year Two – Custard or breakfast cereal

Year Three – Hand soap or tinned fruit

Year Four – Evaporated milk or stewed steak

Year Five – Tinned ham or tinned tomatoes, beans, spaghetti, sweetcorn

Year Six – Jars of jam or pasta sauce



We thank you in advance for your generosity and look forward to welcoming you to our Liturgy.

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