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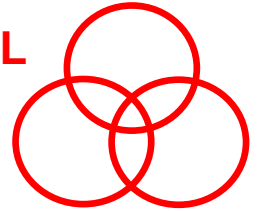
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15<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Dear Parents,

### **Lenten Fund Raising**

As a school we supported Our Lady & St Edmund's Church's Lenten fund raising projects again this year. Year 6 ran the Lenten toy sale in the hall on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. We had a non-uniform day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April, with all donations going to the Lenten fund raising. The toy sale and non-uniform day raised £246.53. Our Mini Vinnies have been organising a few fun activities for the children which include: guess the name of the teddy, how many buttons in the jar £16.00 and £48.80, and a sponsored swim which raised £80.00. The total raised by the school so far is £391.33. Mini Vinnies are still completing more fund raising activities including selling a comic which three of the Year 6 boys have designed and reproduced ready to sell. Thank you to everyone for supporting the children in these fund raising activities for such worthwhile causes and thank you to all the children for their enthusiasm and desire to help others.

### **Our Lady Week**

During the week 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May we are dedicating extra teaching time to find out more about Our Lady. The purpose is to make sure that RE is more cross-curricular and that Our Lady means more to the children than a picture or a statue. During the week the teachers are making sure that other subjects, including English and Art, are based around Our Lady. The week's activities will include:

- We will celebrate a Mass in honour of Our Lady on Tuesday at 2 pm.
- Whole school procession in honour of Our Lady on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.
- Ribbon/material strips for children to write their worries/problems and they will be tied to the railings on KS1 playground as a back drop for the procession; the children's worries will be offered up during the prayers on the day.
- Children will bring flowers in front of the statue of Our Lady. The oldest and youngest child in the school will crown Our Lady.
- Children will be leading the prayers and a decade of the Rosary; all children will use their Rosary beads bought for us by parishioners over the last couple of years.
- Mrs Milham & Mrs Webb from the parish are providing the resources and helping each child in Year 3 & Year 4 to make their own peace rosary. These can be used during each Monday Gospel worship when as a whole school we all say together the Medugorje Peace Rosary together following my pilgrimage there last October.

We would welcome any donations of small bunches of flowers next week to place around the school in honour of Our Lady.





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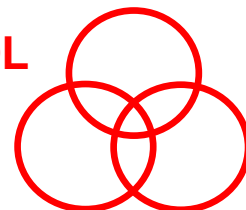
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### Summer Uniform

Now that the weather is warming up it is lovely to see so many of the children in their summer uniform. Thank you parents, for buying the navy blue, small check dresses for the girls. Please note, our uniform is a dress not the culottes style dresses a few shops are selling locally. I would like to see all girls wearing their summer dresses by after half term at the latest. As soon as the weather is consistently hot we will be allowing the key stage 2 boys to take off their ties and open their top button.

### Summer Fayre on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Please look out for all the information about the summer fayre in the next few weeks and do support us in any way you can. It is always a fun filled event enjoyed by all. If you can help in anyway before, during or afterwards please speak to any of the members of the PA committee.

### 100 Club

The latest draw of the Governors' Fund 100+ Club was made on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The winning numbers were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize (£30) – Number 44 **Pauline Anderson**

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (£20) – Number 56 **Carole Sawyers**

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize (£10) – Number 30 **Guy Rogers**

Congratulations to the winners. There are many numbers still available this year at **£11.25** for the remaining draws. There will be some double draws coming up, so get in quick if you would like the chance of winning. The next draw will take place on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019. **Tickets can be purchased by anyone with a connection to the school**, so please encourage grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters etc. to join in and buy a number. Please do not hesitate to contact Phil Cole (parent governor) by email at [pcole@st-edmunds-rc.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:pcole@st-edmunds-rc.oxon.sch.uk) or phone on 07779 662725 if you would like to join or have any questions.

As ever, thank you all for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Delany-White

### Diary Dates- PLEASE KEEP THESE HANDY

St Edmund's Catholic Primary School		
DIARY DATES 2018/19		
Date		Event
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	2:20pm	Foundation Stage assembly
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	9:30-11am	Nursery Stay and Play
	1-2pm	Tennis workshop for Year 1 & 2
	2.20 pm	Gold Book
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>9:30-5:30pm</b>	<b>Mini Pilgrimage to Boars Hill, see parish website for details</b>





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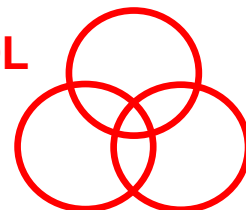
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<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>		Year 4 trip to Sulgrave Manor
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	am 2pm	Year 4 to Abingdon library Our Lady Mass in hall- all welcome
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	am	Year 6G Junior Citizens trip (half class)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	am am	Early years- Year 3 Peter Pan drama workshops Year 6G Junior Citizens trip (half class)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	2pm 3pm	Our Lady Procession Children break up for half term
<b>27<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> May HALF TERM BREAK</b>		
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>		<b>INSET DAY- school closed</b>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Book Week Children back to school Year 3 to Abingdon Library
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June		Mini Vinnies retreat day
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	am pm 2:20pm	Non-Uniform Day – donations for Summer Fayre Annual Schools Mass, Portsmouth Year 1 to Abingdon Library Cross country heats Gold Book
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>10am 3:30-5pm</b>	<b>First Holy Communion Mass at St Edmund's church Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details</b>
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>2pm</b>	<b>First Holy Communion Mass at St Edmund's church</b>
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>		<b>Mother Tongue Day</b>
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Mary Stevens, author, visit Year 6G to Abingdon Museum TBC
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Year 5 & 6 Quad kids competition
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Year 6H to Abingdon Museum TBC
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	pm	Football & netball house competitions
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>		<b>Summer Fayre</b>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	pm	Year 6 cricket competition
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30-11am 10-12 1:30-3pm 11-4:30pm	Didcot Girls School transition day Nursery Stay and Play Year 6G to Abingdon Museum Year 6H to Abingdon Lab Girls' Cricket competition
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	10:15-11:45am 1-4pm 1:55-2:15 pm 2-6:30pm 2:20pm	Year 6G to Abingdon Lab Quad Kids Finals at Tilsley Park Year 5 singing performance Year 4 Music concert at Fitzharrys Year 1 Class assembly
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	pm 2.20 pm	Cross Country Finals Gold Book





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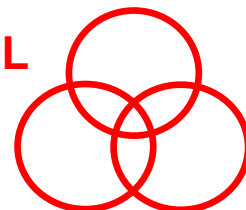
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<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>3:30-5pm</b>	<b>Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	am pm 4:30-5:15pm	School nurse to talk to Year 5 New Reception children's first visit Year 5 Christ Church Cathedral Concert
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	pm 12-3:30pm	School nurse to talk to Year 6 New Nursery children's first visit Year 5 cricket competition
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm	Fitzharrys, Larkmead and John Mason transition day First Holy Communion Mass in school- all welcome
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June		Larkmead 2 <sup>nd</sup> transition day
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Abingdon School Mini Olympics Magic Maths Fayre
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	2pm	Prayer Space Week Didcot Girls' Induction day Welcome Meeting new Reception Parents
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	2pm	Didcot Girls' & Aureus School Induction day Welcome Meeting new Nursery parents
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	2:20pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	am	Early years trip to Earth's Trust Year 4 at Abingdon School for Science workshop
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July	2.20 pm	Gold Book
<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>3:30-5pm</b>	<b>Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6,</b>
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>		
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	am pm	Sports Day & family picnic Meet the Teacher
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	am 2.20 pm pm	Reserve Sports Day Gold Book PA Discos
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>		
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	1:45pm 6pm	Year 6 Production Year 6 Production
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July		Year 6G & 6H to Wittenham Clumps Year 1 trip to Farmer Gow's
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm	Prize Day
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>3:30-5pm</b>	<b>Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details</b>
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	1:45pm	Leavers' Mass
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	3pm	Term ends
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>		