



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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END OF TERM MESSAGE

As we reach the end of the first term of this academic year, and my first term as Executive Headteacher, I would like to reflect on what a privilege it has been to join the St Edmund's community. I have been warmly welcomed from the very beginning and have quickly come to appreciate the strong sense of care and belonging that runs through the school. Over the course of this term, I have seen first-hand the hard work and dedication of the staff at St Edmund's. They have been incredibly supportive in helping me understand how the school operates while continuing to nurture, teach and guide our wonderful children. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the children — in their classrooms, around school and out on the playground. They are a real joy to be with, and I look forward to continuing to work hard to improve things for them as we move into 2026. I would also like to thank all parents, parishioners and members of the wider community whom I have met since September. Your commitment to the children and to the life of the school is clear, and the role you play in shaping and supporting our pupils is truly valued.



Today, I spoke to the children in assembly about Christmas and the different 'layers' of the season, a reflection shared by my former parish priest. Beyond the busyness and family traditions, at the heart of Christmas is something beautifully simple. The birth of a baby over 2000 years ago. A baby who was God, who entered our world in humility and love, a reminder we are God's children and called to an eternal hope.

As we close for the Christmas holidays, on behalf of everyone here at St Edmund's, I would like to wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. I look forward to continuing our journey together in 2026. Thank you, Mr Kennedy Executive Headteacher

MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA!

Thank you for all your help and support during this term as we have worked hard to put on fun and enjoyable events for your children. Our Christmas events have raised just short of £600. Thank you!!!

CHRISTMAS IN OUR PARISH

Our parish community will be celebrating Christmas with a number of events over the coming days. This term, we have started to develop greater links with our parish through our Class Masses and it would be great to continue developing these during this festive period. All members of our school community are invited to attend some or all of these events and Fr. Simon would love to welcome you and your family to them.

Sunday 21st December – 4pm – Christmas Carol Service at St. Benet's RC Church, Beccles

Wednesday 24th December – 5pm – Family Christmas Mass at St. Benet's RC Church, Beccles
– 9pm – First Mass of Christmas at St. Edmund's RC Church

Thursday 25th December – 9:15am – Christmas Mass at St. Edmund's RC Church
– 11:00am – Christmas Mass at St. Benet's RC Church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

Tuesday 6th – School Opens



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