



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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KING OF KINGS

At St Edmund's, we come to the end of this final week of the Liturgical Year by looking back to last Sunday's Gospel from Luke which centred on the feast of Christ the King. The encounter between Jesus and the good thief showed us the power of faith in even the darkest moments, with the thief turning to Jesus and acknowledging Him as the King of Kings.

During this week, children have taken part in prayers and reflections that help them celebrate Jesus as their King and guide. They have been invited to praise Him with confidence, recognise His presence in their daily lives and understand that through faith we too are called to walk closely with Him. This brings a meaningful close to our year in the Church's calendar.



Sunday brings the beginning of Advent, a season that invites us to pause, prepare and look forward with hope. It is a wonderful opportunity for families to share small moments of reflection and kindness, building a sense of community as we journey together towards Christmas.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION – DEADLINE 12 NOON ON MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER

A reminder that we are holding an election for a new Parent Governor. This role supports governance across both of our schools and is an important way for parents to contribute to our community.

A letter with further information was distributed last week and is available on our school website along with nomination forms. We encourage any interested parents to consider putting themselves forward or speak with Mr Kennedy for further information.

ALL NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 12 NOON ON MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2025

REQUEST FOR CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS AND DECORATIONS

Our PTA is preparing for the festive season and would be grateful for donations of Christmas tree lights and decorations. If you have any spare or no longer used items at home which are in good condition, we would love to make use of them to help brighten our Christmas events and displays. Donations can be brought to the school office at any time. Thank you for your continued support.

UNIFORM – FINAL CHANCE TO SUBMIT YOUR THOUGHTS

As mentioned last week, we are consulting on changes to our uniform arrangements for next academic year following legislation currently working through parliament. We have only had a short number of responses so, if you haven't already, please can you take a few minutes to click on the link below and share your thoughts on changes to our uniform policy.

<https://forms.gle/trMGTwdSDiYQtwjh6>

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES – REMINDER! (AND CLARIFICATION OF INFORMATION)

As we move into this joyful season, we have a number of Christmas events planned for our children and families to enjoy. We hope the coming weeks will be filled with celebration, community and festive spirit across the school.

- **Friday 5th December** – PTFA Christmas Market in the school hall from 3:15 – 5pm. Families are warmly invited to attend. Entry is £1 for adults (including a free mug of mulled wine), and children enter for free. There will be a range of games and stalls, including children's Enterprise Products!
- **Friday 12th December** – The whole school will be heading to the Marina Theatre in Lowestoft for our annual visit to the pantomime, always a much-loved Christmas tradition.
PLEASE RETURN CONSENT FORMS BY WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Children are invited to come into school wearing their Christmas Jumper. They will have their Christmas Dinner in the school hall and then in the afternoon we will be holding our Christmas Carol Service and Nativity which will start at 2pm and be followed by tea, coffee and mince pies provided by our PTFA.
- **Friday 19th December** – School closes for the Christmas holidays.

We look forward to celebrating these events together as we journey through Advent towards Christmas.

BREAKFAST CLUB/AFTER SCHOOL CLUB PLANNING

We are in the process of planning to launch a breakfast club and after school club facility in January 2026. We are currently in the recruitment phase of this and more details for this can be found here: <https://mynewterm.com/school/St-Edmund's-Catholic-Primary-School/142770>

As part of the provision, we are planning the following timetable of activities. If you have any thoughts, ideas and suggestions around this, please speak to Mr Kennedy or Mrs Reeve-Smith.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club operating daily from 7:45am – 8:45am with a range of activities!				
After School Club running daily from 3:15pm – 5:45pm with the follow activities scheduled				
				
Forest School	Cooking Club	Sports Club	Art Club	Board Games

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER

Friday 5th – 3:15pm – PTFA Christmas Market

Thursday 11th – 9:15am – Oak Class Mass

Friday 12th – Pantomime Trip – Marina Theatre, Lowestoft

Wednesday 17th – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
– Christmas Carol Service and Nativity

Friday 19th – School Closes for the Christmas Holidays