



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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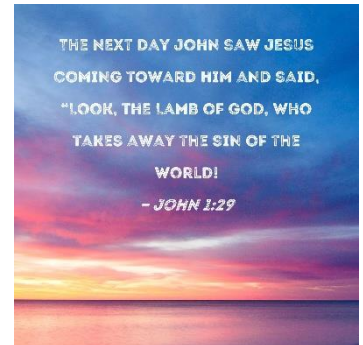
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TRUE IDENTITY

At St Edmund's this week, the children have been reflecting on the Gospel message of recognising Jesus' true identity. We have thought together about how John the Baptist pointed others towards Jesus, and how the Holy Spirit helps us to notice God's presence and to share that faith with those around us.

Our prayer times have invited the children to pause and reflect using images, helping them to see the world through Jesus' loving eyes. Through these quiet moments, the children have been encouraged to think about how they can be witnesses for Jesus through kindness, respect and the choices they make each day.



TESCO STRONGER STARTS BLUE TOKEN APPEAL

We are delighted to share that we are taking part in the Tesco Stronger Starts Blue Token Appeal. Every blue token we receive helps increase our chances of being awarded the top prize of £1,500, which would make a real difference to our school.

To make this even more exciting, we will be launching a competition for our children to see who can deposit the most blue tokens into the St Edmund's collection point in the Tesco in Beccles and Tesco Express in Southwold. We ask parents and carers to support this by emailing the school office with photos and details of how many blue tokens your child has deposited. At the end of the voting round, the child who has collected the most tokens will receive a prize.

Please help us spread the word to family, friends and the wider community. The more people who choose St Edmund's when they shop, the greater our chances of winning and supporting our children. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm.

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS DAY! – FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY

We are excited to be launching Times Tables Rock Stars and to celebrate, we will be holding a Times Tables Rock Stars Day on Friday 30th January. On this day, children are invited to come to school dressed as rockstars — think crazy hair, rockstar make up and wild outfits! There will be an optional £1 donation on the day, with all proceeds going to our PTFA who support school events and activities.

Throughout the day, children will be logging onto the Times Tables Rock Stars platform, exploring how it works and testing out their times tables knowledge in a fun and engaging way. This is an exciting new resource that will support children in developing confidence and speed with their multiplication facts. We will be celebrating some of the children's successes from the day during our Celebration Assembly, recognising effort, progress and great rockstar attitudes to learning.

We are really looking forward to a fun-filled day of maths, music and multiplication. Thank you for your continued support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

Friday 30th – Times Tables Rockstars Day

FEBRUARY

WB 9th – Children's Mental Health Week, NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshops and Safer Internet Day

Friday 13th – School Closes for the Half-Term Break

Wednesday 18th – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins

Monday 23rd – School Opens

Tuesday 24th – Distribution of Ashes Service – 2:30pm

Thursday 26th – Forest School – Y6

MARCH

Monday 2nd – Stay and Pray – Oak Class

Wednesday 4th – World Book Day Celebrations

Thursday 5th – Forest School – Y5

– Rowan Class Mass – 9:15am

Monday 9th – Stay and Pray – Rowan Class

Thursday 12th – Forest School – Y4

– Beech Class Mass – 9:15am

Monday 16th – Stay and Pray – Beech Class

Thursday 19th – Forest School – Y3

– Oak Class Mass – 9:15am

Wednesday 25th – Parent Teacher Meetings

Thursday 26th – Forest School – YR 2

Friday 27th – School Closes for Easter Holidays

APRIL

Sunday 5th – Easter Sunday

Monday 13th – School Opens

Thursday 16th – Forest School – YR 1

Thursday 23rd – Forest School - Reception