



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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THROUGH HIM, WITH HIM, IN HIM

At St Edmund's this week, the children have been reflecting on the close connection between Jesus and God the Father, and how we too are called into that loving relationship with God. Through prayer and worship, they considered how God fills our hearts with love and walks alongside us in all that we do.

Inspired by St Augustine's prayer to the Holy Spirit, the children spent time thinking about how the Holy Spirit can guide and strengthen them in their daily lives. They have been encouraged to let their words and actions reflect God's love, helping to build a caring, faith-filled school community.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are having to amend the date for our Mary Procession. The new date will be Wednesday 20th May starting at 2pm in our church. After a short service, we will then process to our school grounds where we will place the statue of Our Lady and then decorate it with flowers. Every year, we are blessed by the range of flowers that our children bring in for this special occasion. This year we ask that, if you are able to send something in, a single flower or a small, single potted plant are sent in on the day for our children to present. Where this is not possible, we will make sure they have something to lay at the statue. Thank you for your support.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

Next week is Walk to School Week, and we are looking forward to encouraging the children to think about the importance of staying active and looking after their wellbeing. Many of our children already walk to school each day, and it is wonderful to celebrate this as part of the week's activities. For families who travel by car, we would encourage you, where possible, to park a little further away and walk the final part of the journey together.

During the week, the children will take part in activities in school designed to help them reflect on healthy habits and enjoy their journeys to school in different ways. Whether it is counting steps, spotting letters of the alphabet, singing songs or chatting with friends on a walking bus, we hope the week will be both fun and motivating for everyone involved.

SCHOOL UNIFORM CHANGES FOR 2026/27 ACADEMIC YEAR

A reminder to check the uniform section of our school website to see images of our uniform from September 2026 so that it is clear what to purchase ahead of next academic year. A reminder that our PE kit from September includes black shorts. These shorts are not to be gym or cycling type shorts but the looser PE/Football shorts. If you need clarification on this, please speak to me around school.

BECCLES COMMON JUNIOR PARKRUN

We are pleased to help promote the new Beccles Common Junior parkrun, which has now been running successfully for seven weeks. Junior parkrun is a fun, friendly and inclusive event for children, encouraging exercise, fresh air and community involvement in a supportive environment.

Please see the attached flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information about how to get involved. We are always keen to support opportunities that promote healthy lifestyles and wellbeing for our children and families.

WELL DONE TO YEAR 6

A huge congratulations to all of our Year 6 children for completing their SATs this week. We are incredibly proud of the resilience, determination and positive attitude they have shown throughout the week.

The children approached each day with maturity and gave their very best effort, which is all we could ever ask of them. They should feel extremely proud of themselves and all they have achieved, not just this week but throughout their time preparing for the assessments.

Thank you also to our staff and families for the encouragement and support given to the children along the way. We are looking forward to celebrating the final part of Year 6 with lots of exciting opportunities still to come.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY

Wednesday 20th May – May Flower Procession at 2pm in church
– Year 4 Oulton Broad Water Sports Trip (Group 3)
Friday 22nd – School Closes for Half-Term

JUNE

Monday 1st – School Opens
– Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check to take place this week
Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th – Year 6 Residential Visit
Friday 5th – NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY
Sunday 7th – Deanery Corpus Christi Procession at St. Benet's Church – 3pm
WB Monday 8th – Year 1 Phonics Screening Check to take place this week
Wednesday 10th – Sir John Leman Awards Ceremony – 6:30pm
Thursday 11th – Beech Class Trip to Norwich Castle
– Rowan Class Mass – 9:15am
Thursday 18th – Beech Class Mass – 9:15am
Wednesday 24th – Rowan Class to attend Trust Mass in Lowestoft
– Marina Theatre Dance Show – 6:30pm
Thursday 25th – Oak Class Mass – 9:15am
Monday 29th – Judo British Athlete to visit school



A FREE, FUN 2KM EVENT FOR CHILDREN AGED 4-14

📌 What is Junior parkrun?

Beccles Common Junior parkrun is a FREE weekly 2km run, jog, or walk for children aged 4-14.

It's all about fun, fitness, and feeling good – not competition!

📍 Where?

Beccles Common

🕒 When?

Every Sunday morning

(Please arrive in time for the pre-run briefing)

♥ Why take part?

Build confidence and resilience

Improve fitness in a fun way

Make new friends

Be part of a supportive community

Enjoy the outdoors

👏 Fully supported by volunteers

Our friendly team is there every week to encourage and support all runners – whether it's your first time or your fiftieth!

📄 How to join

Register once and bring your barcode each week:

👉 www.parkrun.org.uk/register

💛 Can you help?

We're always looking for volunteers!

If you'd like to support your local community while your child runs, please get in touch via our Facebook page.

🌈 Everyone is welcome – walk, jog, run or skip!

Come along and be part of something special.

Building happy, active communities one step at a time