



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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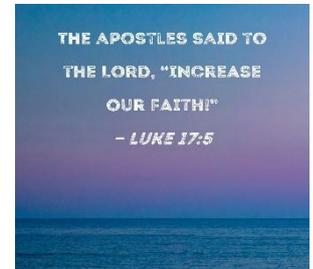
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DEPEND ON GOD

In last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that even faith as small as a mustard seed has incredible power. He reminds us that it's not the size of our faith that matters, but the God in whom we place our trust. When we rely on our own strength, it's easy to feel overwhelmed or uncertain. But when we depend on God, even the smallest seed of faith can grow and flourish in amazing ways.



This message has inspired our reflections in school this week. Through praying the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary — the "Mysteries of Light" — the children have been thinking about the moments in Jesus' life that help us to see God's love shining in the world. As they pray, they are asking the Holy Spirit to help their faith to grow stronger and to guide them in using that faith to bring light and hope to others. May we, too, take time this week to pause, pray, and remember that God can work wonders through even the smallest acts of faith and love.

PANTOMIME TRIP!!

A reminder that the whole school will be visiting the Marina Theatre, Lowestoft to see Sleeping Beauty on Friday 12th December. Payment for the trip is now available on WisePay (£15 per child). We're very grateful to our PTA for funding the cost of the coach, helping to keep the cost down. Families can choose to pay in full or in three monthly instalments of £5. Consent forms and further details will be shared in November. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON WRAPAROUND CARE!

Thank you to those who recently responded to the email from the school office regarding Wraparound Care. We are now exploring this option in more detail and we want to hear from you. Your views as parents are really important in helping us understand what works well at the moment, what challenges you face and what additional support could make a difference for your family.

A consultation is now open and we warmly encourage all parents to take part. By sharing your feedback, you will help us shape the future of wraparound care so that it best meets the needs of our school community. [CLICK HERE TO TAKE PART](#)

PTA AGM - ADVANCE NOTICE - FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER @ 8:45AM

We are pleased to let you know that our PTA Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 17th October at 8:45am, just after school drop-off. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available and we warmly encourage as many parents and carers as possible to join us. If you are unable to attend but would like to be involved in the future, please do speak to Mr Kennedy, a current member of our PTA or leave your details with the school office.

READING CAFÉ - Y1 & Y2 PARENTS

We will be holding a Reading Café for our Year 1 and Year 2 parents on Thursday 23rd October from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Please come and join us to see how we teach phonics and reading to our children as they move from YR through KS1. We will guide you through our approach, how we teach phonics and how we support the children to develop as readers. Tea, coffee & biscuits will be available. Please email the office to register interest: office.stedmunds@cpswv.org



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PUMPKIN COMPETITION!

As well as her monthly birthday treats for all children, Sue, our school cook, regularly runs amazing competitions and other activities for our pupils. This month, she is running a pumpkin competition where all children who enter will receive a prize.

Please take the time to spend some time with your child and support them in taking part.



Pumpkin Competition

Draw or paint a picture, make a pumpkin, write a poem, or even create a story about pumpkins - you decide!

Give to the office or school kitchen by Thursday 23rd October with your name and class on it.

****Prize for all entries****

The poster features a decorative border of small pumpkin icons. In the center, there is a photograph of three pumpkins: one large orange pumpkin, one smaller orange pumpkin, and one very small yellow pumpkin.

PARENT AND TEACHER MEETINGS

Our Autumn Term Parent/Teacher Meetings will take place on Wednesday 22nd October. This year, all appointments will be held on one evening. A letter has been circulated informing parents of the online booking form, available via the link below or on the school website:

<https://forms.gle/UQpJHiRcCWQzKhzJ9>

These meetings are an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into school and their progress so far this term. If you require a longer appointment (for example, if your child is on the SEN Register or you have specific matters to discuss), please contact the school office directly.

If you are unable to attend on the evening, please get in touch with the school office to arrange an alternative time.

FLU VACCINATION CONSENT FORMS

The School Immunisation Team will be visiting soon to offer the nasal flu vaccination to all eligible children. To ensure your child can receive their vaccination, parents and carers must complete the online consent form in advance. Thank you to those parents who have already completed the form. If you haven't yet complete it, please click on the link below to access the form and submit your consent. **It is important you complete the form stating whether you do or do not wish your child to receive the vaccination.**

<https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/suffolk>

Completing the form early helps the immunisation team to prepare and ensures that no child misses out. Thank you for your support in helping us keep our school community healthy this winter.

SPOOKY CAKE SALE!

Get ready for some Halloween treats! Our Spooky Cake Sale, organised by our wonderful PTA, will take place on Thursday 23rd October. Cakes will be available for £1 each or 2 for £1.50. Don't miss out on these delicious goodies!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

Thursday 16th – All Day - Whole School Photographs

Friday 17th – 8:45am – PTA Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 22nd October - Flu Immunisations

- Parent and Teacher Meetings

Thursday 23rd – 3:15pm – School Closes for Half-Term

NOVEMBER

Monday 3rd – 8:45am – School Opens

Monday 10th – Stay and Pray for Beech Class

Monday 17th – Stay and Pray for Rowan Class

Monday 24th – Stay and Pray for Oak Class