



THE ST. EDMUND'S NEWSLETTER

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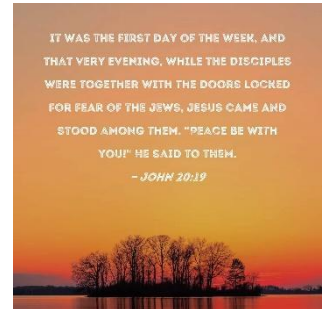
Friday 17th April 2026



BELIEVE AND RECEIVE

At St Edmund's this week, the children explored the story of Thomas and what it means to truly believe. They considered how, like Thomas, we can sometimes have doubts, but are invited to trust in Jesus and open our hearts to his presence and blessings.

Through prayer and reflection, the children focused on the message of peace that Jesus shared with his disciples. They have been encouraged to think about how they can carry this message into their own lives, showing care, compassion and faith as part of our school community.



PTA SPRING RAFFLE

Tickets are still available for our PTA Spring Raffle, which will be drawn on Friday 1st May. There are a range of fantastic prizes on offer, so we hope as many families as possible will get involved. Raffle tickets are £1 each and are available from the school office. Once sold, please return any money to the school so that tickets can be entered into the draw.

We would be very grateful if you could help us spread the word by sharing information and the poster on our Facebook page with family and friends. Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the PTA and the events they organise for our school community.

NURSERY DEVELOPMENT - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST NOW OPEN

We are delighted to remind families that we have been awarded £150,000 to develop a school-based nursery at St Edmund's. This is a significant and exciting step forward, building on the strong foundations already in place across our schools and reflecting our continued commitment to supporting children and families from the earliest stages of education.

The nursery will offer a nurturing, high-quality environment where children can flourish, grow in confidence and begin their learning journey within our school community. It will also strengthen links with families and help to support a smooth transition into Reception.

An expression of interest form is now available. We would be very grateful if families could complete this form if they are interested in a place from September, including details of the type of provision required (such as 15 hours, 30 hours or paid places) and whether you would like to be kept updated as the project develops. Please also share this opportunity with friends, family and the wider community who may be interested.

We would also like to remind families that we currently have spaces available in other classes across the school, so please contact the school office if you would like to find out more.

We look forward to sharing further updates as this exciting project continues to progress.

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM](#)

HOLIDAY PATTERN 2026/27

Please find below holiday pattern for the next academic year. As always, please consider these dates when booking family holidays. As a school, we follow the county guidance on absences during term time due to family holidays and fines are issued where this occurs.

	School Opens	School Closes
Autumn Term 1st Half	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Thursday 22 nd October 2026
Autumn Term 2nd Half	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
Spring Term 1st Half	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
Spring Term 2nd Half	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
Summer Term 1st Half	Tuesday 13 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED ON MONDAY 3RD MAY 2027		
Summer Term 2nd Half	Monday 7 th June 2027	Wednesday 21 st July 2027

REMINDER: OAK CLASS TRIP TO TIME AND TIDE

A reminder that our Oak Class trip to Time and Tide will take place on 30th April, with a cost of £6 per child. Please can parents confirm their child's place and make payment as soon as possible. This will help us to finalise arrangements for what promises to be a valuable and enjoyable visit. If you have any questions, please contact the school office. Thank you for your support.

CLASS NEWSLETTERS

The class newsletters for this term will be circulated to you on Monday morning. These are useful in detailing what is happening in your child's class this term and what they will be learning. If you don't receive a copy of this, please contact the school office.

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH - PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS SUMMER TERM 2026

There are a number of online workshops being provided by the Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust. These free virtual workshops on Zoom are designed to provide up to date advice and guidance on how you as parents and carers can support the young people in their life. The workshops are 60-75 minutes long. To find out more and book a place on a workshop or visit <http://www.nsft.uk/workshops>.

MAY DAY DANCES OPENING CEREMONY AT ANNIS HILL GREEN

Children in Years 2–6 have been invited to take part in the Annis Hill Green Opening Ceremony on Monday 4th May, performing May dances alongside Bungay Primary School. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to represent our school with pride and be part of a special community event in Bungay.

Thank you to those who have already volunteered; however, to really put our school on the map, we need more of our children to be there!! Please contact the school office **ASAP** if your child can take part.

ANNIS HILL GREEN ART & PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Bungay Town Council and Bungay Camera Club are inviting entries for their 'My Visit to Annis Hill Green' art and photography competition, open to children and adults.

For full details on categories, how to enter and deadlines, please visit the Bungay Town Council website. We would love to see our children taking part and representing the school in the local community. More information: <https://bungaytowncouncil.gov.uk/news/events/>

WAVENEY VALLEY CATHOLIC PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

You are warmly invited to a Waveney Valley Catholic Parish Quiz Night on Friday 24th April at 6:00pm in St Edmund's Hall, Bungay. Tickets are £6 per person, which includes light snacks. You are welcome to come along as part of a team of up to 8, or simply join on your own or in a smaller group and team up with others on the night.

This is a bring your own bottle event or drinks will be available for a small donation. For tickets or more information, please contact Sylvia Weal at sylvia.wealxxx@gmail.com or on 07794 597 296. A great opportunity to enjoy an evening of fun with our parish community!

DIARY DATES – RETURNING NEXT WEEK