

# St Edward's Catholic Academy

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## September 2023 Newsletter

What a start to the new term and my Headship!

I found out about the RAAC situation at St Edward's on my first day as Headteacher.

With support from the Central Team at the St Ralph Sherwin Multi-Academy Trust, and Laura O'Leary (the Headteacher at Blessed Robert Sutton) I am extremely pleased that we could come up with a plan and implement it in order to get all children into a school setting as quickly as we did.

I understand that the situation is not ideal, especially with having the two split sites and different drop off and pick up points and times, but we are doing everything we can to ensure that things run smoothly. Obviously there will be teething problems, please bear with us whilst we work through these.

The children have settled in brilliantly at both St Edward's and Blessed Robert Sutton. Their resilience has amazed me!

I would personally like to say a huge thank you to the Team at St Edward's for their hard work and support. To go from the Monday morning where we did not have a school, to the Friday, where we had 2 schools fully ready to go is astounding. This reinforces what a special team we are.

Also, thank you to all the parents and carers for your continued patience, support and understanding, it is very much appreciated. I will keep you updated on a regular basis regarding the RAAC situation.

Kind regards

K Methven

Headteacher

### Mrs Jones

I would like to inform you that Mrs Jones has secured a position as Assistant Headteacher/SENDCo at Coton in the Elms Primary School. She will be leaving St Edward's on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

Mrs Jones started with us in 2015 and has been a dedicated and exemplary EYFS Lead and Reception Teacher. I would like to thank her for all her hard work and commitment.

She will be greatly missed, however this is an excellent opportunity for her to progress in her teaching career and I would like wish her every success.

From Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September until 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023, Miss Cox will take over as the Full time Reception Class Teacher, supported by Mrs Hobson. Some parents may remember Miss Cox as she taught the current Year 3 children when they were in Reception, whilst Mrs Jones was on Maternity Leave.

From 18<sup>th</sup> September, Mrs Jones will be undertaking more of a leadership role at St Edward's, which is much needed due to the split sites.

During the advent term we will be advertising for and appointing a permanent replacement for Mrs Jones to start on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### Car Parking

It is really important that you **DO NOT PARK ON NEWHALL ROAD OPPOSITE THE SCHOOL** at drop off and pick up times.

To ensure that the children are kept safe, the coaches need to pull up on the zig zag lines as close to the school entrance as possible. Cars parked opposite the zig zag lines really do cause a hazard and safety concern.

Thank you

### School Dinners

Due to the current situation, we are really fortunate to be able to offer hot meals on both sites.

At St Edward's it will be a single choice menu, with a vegetarian option

If you know that your child does not like the meal for that day, please provide them with a packed lunch.

All known allergies and intolerances will still be catered for.

Here is the link for the Menu:

[2457 A3 PORTRAIT MENU FAMILY DINING \(derbyshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/2457-A3-PORTRAIT-MENU-FAMILY-DINING)

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