

# St Edward's Newsletter

February 2024



## A message from our Headteacher

### Welcome back!

We are delighted to have everyone back at St Edward's. The staff have worked really hard to get the school ready and it looks amazing. The children have settled back in beautifully and it's nice to see the older and younger children together again. As well as thanking staff, I would also like to thank our parents who have been so understanding, patient, supportive and so positive. I would also like to thank the Trust's Estates Team for all of their hard work and the staff and pupils at Blessed Robert Sutton for making us feel so welcome.



Mrs Methven

## Upcoming Events

### Inset Day

Monday 26th February 2024

### World Book Day

Thursday 7th March 2024

### Break up for Easter holidays

Friday 22nd March 2024

### Start of the new term

Monday 8th April 2024

### Year 4 residential

Wednesday 17th April–Friday 19th April 2024

### First Holy Communion

Saturday 11th May 2024

## Under one (propped) roof Back together again

St Edward's is open again! The rooms may look slightly different (and contain more metal props than before) but the feel is the same! Our school family is reunited! The staff have worked tirelessly to ensure the rooms are prepared and engaging for our children. Our builders have done an amazing job to prop and reenforce the ceilings in our school so that they are safe and can be used again. Building work is still ongoing in the hall and kitchen, but we hope to have these spaces back in use as soon as possible. We appreciate all the kind messages we have received and your ongoing support.



### Renewing friendships

The children have loved being back together and we have been spending time renewing bonds between the younger and older children. Y2 and Y5 enjoyed spending time together sharing stories this past week.



True mind, true heart, true spirit; as we grow in the image of Christ.

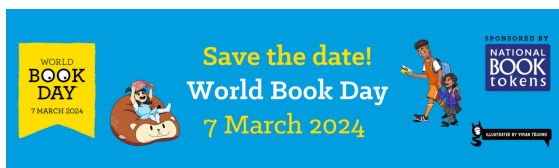




## World Book Day

Thursday 7th March 2024

For World Book Day we are inviting the children to come to school for a day in their pyjamas or comfy clothes. Please ensure the children are wearing suitable footwear. Children can bring in a book to share if they wish as well as a small cuddly toy.



## Bags

We have limited cloakroom space in school due to the props. If you need to bring a bag to school please ensure that this is as small as possible as we are struggling to find space to store larger bags. Children in Y1, Y2 and Y3 **only need book bags** in school.

## Makeup and jewellery

Please follow the guidance regarding jewellery that is on our school website. All earrings should be simple studs and there should be no makeup worn at all in school.



## Lunchboxes

Please ensure that the food sent in in lunchboxes or as snack does not contain any nuts. We have people in school with sever allergies and we must safeguard their health. Lunchboxes should contain no sweets and instead healthy options.



## Toys

Toys should not be being brought into school. We do appreciate that some children may bring a toy to the school gate, but these need to stay with the adult.



## Grapes

Please ensure that if you are sending grapes as a snack or in lunchboxes that they are cut in half. They present a choking hazard for children of all ages.



## Staff news

### Mrs Walker



Mrs Walker will be retiring at the end of this term. She has been working with us for the past 25 years and is a cherished part of the staff team. Mrs Walker started with us as a volunteer, then became a lunchtime

supervisor and finally found her home as a teaching assistant. She will be greatly missed by both children and staff. We wish her all the best and hope she enjoys spending more time with her family.

### Mrs Mercer



Mrs Mercer has left her role as a teaching assistant in Year 5 to spend more time with her family. We wish to thank Mrs Mercer for her dedication to the children at St Edward's and the amazing energy she brought to her role. We will all miss her dearly, but we know this is the best for both her and her family.

### Linda Wagstaff



Linda will be leaving our school in April to take up a new position. Linda is loved by all at St Edward's and we have been very lucky to have her working in our kitchens and keeping us all fed and healthy. We wish her all the best in her new role and we will all miss seeing her happy smiling face when we are at our hungriest!