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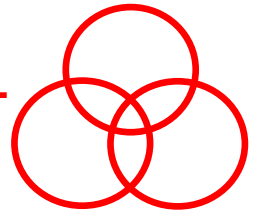
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18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Dear Parents,

### **Mother Tongue Day**

Next week we will be celebrating the rich and diverse cultures we have within our St Edmund's community again when we hold our annual Mother Tongue Day on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May. To start the day, we will have whole school worship at 9am in the hall, to which you are all invited if you are free. During whole school worship I read an extract from the Bible and discuss its message and relevance to us. For Mother Tongue Day I ask if any parents/ grandparents/ family friends are free if they could read out parts of the Bible reading in their own language after I have read it in English so the children really appreciate the impact of the Pentecostal story. This year I have adult volunteers to read in Spanish, Fijian, Greek, French, German and Maltese.

As in previous years, I have asked the children to volunteer, if they would like to, to read a small prayer in their own language as part of the worship. If your child has volunteered, please help them to translate the prayer I have given them into your language and let them practise reading it at home with you. We now have over thirty children who have volunteered to read a prayer representing many of the languages we have in school.

In the afternoon of Mother Tongue Day, we are hoping many adults will be free to read stories to children in class in their own language and join us in the hall where the classes will set up stalls representing different languages and countries from our school community. The class teachers will be sending out further details but if you feel you will be able to help in any way please do let us know.

### **Lenten Projects**

The final total is over £1000 for the Lenten Project this year, plus £850 raised from the Friday evening's dance. Thank you everyone for your generosity, I'm sure this money will make a difference to all children concerned in Dar Mariam Primary School in Sudan and in Helen & Douglas House.

### **Summer Uniform**

Thank you to all parents who have bought the *navy* check summer dress, as per our uniform list. As I requested last year, if your daughter is wearing a lighter blue check dress can I ask that once she has out grown it, you buy the navy check dresses from now on. Unfortunately, I see a few girls are wearing culotte style dresses this year. This is not our school uniform.

Could these be replaced with dresses as soon as possible please. Thank you.

Can I also remind all parents that school shoes are to be worn throughout the day. Trainers are for sport lessons and may be changed into for playtime if it is wet and muddy outside. If your child is one of the few children who is currently wearing trainers to school can you please help them to find their school shoes again. Lastly, any hair longer than shoulder length needs to be tied back with a tie/bow in school colours please. Thank you for supporting us in keeping our children looking smart, even in warm weather.





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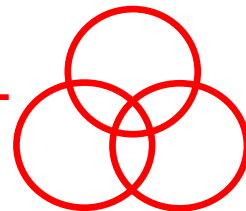
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### Mathletics Success

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent PA Mathletics competition. The teachers and I were delighted by the children's hard work in learning their times tables and number facts so well. Many children have significantly improved their speed and accuracy which will greatly benefit their Maths calculations. The PA and I were delighted with how much money was raised by parents and families supporting the children- over £1000 was raised altogether. The winning classes were Year 2 & Year 6, who each received a big box of prizes for their class. Individual winners for most effort, awarded by the class teachers, were:

Y6 Jeremiah, Jaylaa

Y5G Matas, Chloe

Y5A Adam, Kate

Y4 Filip, Christina

Y3 Barrimah, Amy

Y2 Patrick, Isla

Y1 Noah J, Daisy

R Ryan F, Lexi

N Tyler-James, Yajna

### **100 Club Winners**

The winning numbers in the latest draw of the Governors' 100+ Club were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize (£30) – Number 62

**Brian Keaney**

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (£20) – Number 32

**Hannah Ashley-Carter**

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize (£10) – Number 15

**Karen Clarke**

The next draw will be on Friday 8th June and if you would like to join the 100+ Club, numbers are still available and cost £10.00 for the remaining 8 draws.

Yours sincerely,

*Mrs Delany-White*

### Diary Dates- **PLEASE KEEP THESE HANDY**

St Edmund's Catholic Primary School	
DIARY DATES 2017/18	
Date	Event
Every week in term time:	<b>Stay &amp; Sing 9-9:30am Wednesdays</b> <b>Parents' Prayer Group 9-9:30am Fridays</b>
<b>Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Key Stage 2 SATs Week</b>
Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> May	10-11:30am Year 4 science workshop at Abingdon School 2 pm Our Lady Procession
<b>Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	





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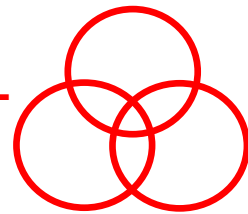
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Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9:30-11am pm	Nursery Stay & Play- growing things theme PA cake sale after school
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	2pm	Pentecost Mass in hall- all welcome
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May	3pm	Mother Tongue Day Children break up for half term
<b>Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>		<b>INSET DAY- school closed</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May – 1st June HALF TERM BREAK</b>		
<b>Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>		Children back to school
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Year 6 to Pizza Express
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	pm	Year 6 swimming at Radley School
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> June	2:20pm	Gold Book Assembly
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	12 noon	First Holy Communion at St Edmund's Church
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm	First Holy Communion at St Edmund's Church
<b>Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	1:30pm	Year 2 Fire Safety talk
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> June	10am am 2pm	Year 6 to Abingdon Museum Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics First Holy Communion Mass in hall- all welcome
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	am	Year 3/4 Quad Kids Athletics
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> June	1-2:15pm 2.20 pm	House cross country heats Gold Book Assembly
<b>Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	11-4:30pm pm	Year 6 boys cricket competition New Reception children's 1 <sup>st</sup> visit
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	pm	New nursery children's 1 <sup>st</sup> visit Didcot Girls School Transition day
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June	2:20pm	Alternative Didcot Girls School Transition day Year 4 Sulgrave Manor trip Year 5A Class assembly
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	9-3pm	Annual Schools' Mass in Portsmouth Year 3 trip to Living Rainforest
Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	9:30-11am pm 2:20pm pm	Nursery Stay & Play- summer theme House Cross Country Finals Gold Book Assembly PA Community Event
<b>Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	pm	New Reception children's 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	pm	New nursery children's 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit Year 5 boys cricket
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	2:20pm	John Mason, Larkmead & Fitzharrys Transition Day Year 5 trip to Millets Farm Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June		Extra transition day for Larkmead School
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm	St Peter & Paul Mass in school- all welcome





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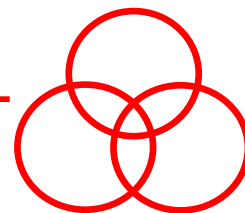
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<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>		Didcot Girls School Induction day
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July		Alternative Didcot Girls School Induction day Magic Maths Fayre at Larkmead School
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	am am am 2:20pm	Year 5 at Larkmead School, Science morning Year 4 to John Mason School Year 5/6 girls County swimming finals, Radley College KS1 Quad Kids athletics Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July	pm	House netball & football competitions
<b>Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>		
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	pm	Summer music concert TBC
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	am pm	Sports Day & family picnic Meet the Teacher
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	am  2.20 pm	Reserve Sports Day Year 5 to Royal RAF Air Tattoo Gold Book Assembly
<b>Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>		No clubs this week
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	1:45pm 6pm	Year 6 Production Year 6 Production
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July		Year 6 trip to Wittenham Clumps
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Year 6 to Pizza Express
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm	Prize Day
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	2pm	Leavers' Mass
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	3pm	Term ends
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAY</b>		

