



St Edmund's Catholic Primary School

EXECUTIVE HEAD - MRS BARLOW

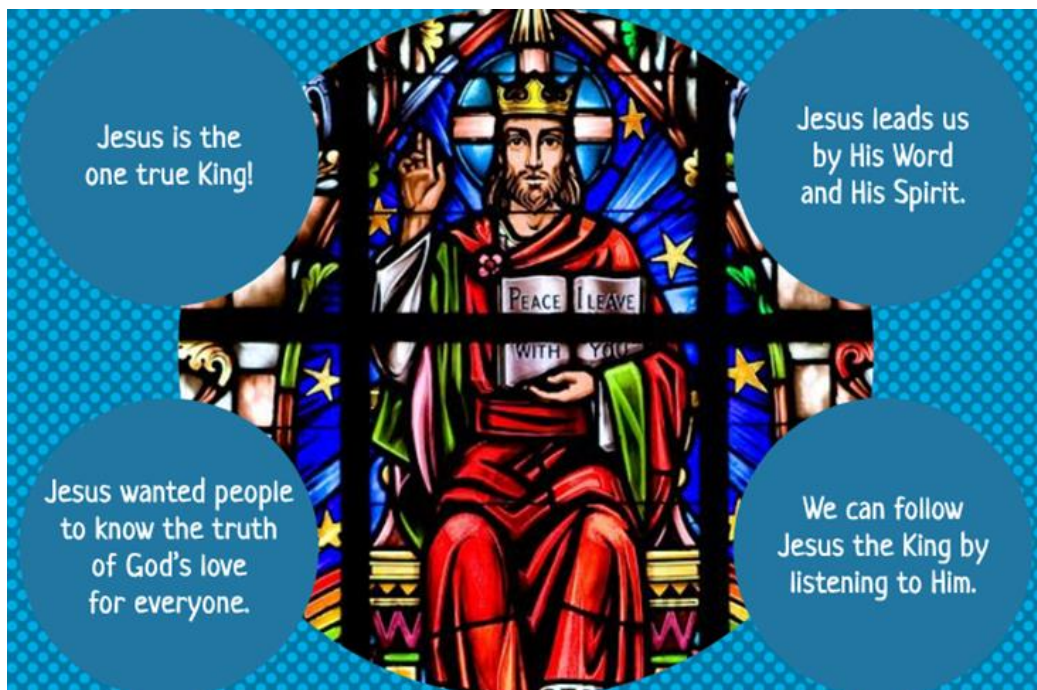
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Last Sunday, the Church celebrated the Solemnity of Christ the King. In our assembly this week children learned that as the true King, Jesus leads us by His Word and His Spirit to the truth of God the Father's love for us.



"I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice."

John 18:37



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Children will understand that:

- Jesus is the true King.
- Jesus wants us to know the truth of God’s love for everyone.
- We can be like Jesus the King by listening to Him and following His example.

Next week we enter Advent, an exciting time of waiting for Christmas and ensuring we are prepared for Jesus’ birth. Each week in the newsletter I will include an Advent reflection that you may want to do as a family. Light a candle, sit around the crib scene if you have one and use the time for some peace and quiet together.

As we approach the festive season, excitement is building for our Christmas events, from the whole school nativity performances to festive jumper days. Please do keep an eye on our newsletters for important dates and updates—we don’t want anyone to miss out on the celebrations.

An important deadline! Applications for Nursery and Reception class for September 2025... If you or someone you know would like a place in Nursery or Reception for September 2025 then applications must be made by 15th January 2025. Please spread the word and let anyone know we are always welcoming tours of the school for prospective parents.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Barlow

Year Group	St Benet’s	St Edmund’s
R	96%	93%
1	95%	99%
2	95%	98%
3	92%	98%
4	96%	95%
5	79%	97%
6	89%	92%

Attendance Matters

This week our goal for the schools is to reach 96% attendance. Each class contributes to this overall goal so well done to those who have met this or exceeded it this week.

Overall School:

St Benet’s 91%
St Edmund’s 96%

Well done to St Edmund’s who have met the goal this week and looking at all year groups there has been no year group this week fall below 90%. This is outstanding, keep it up. St Benet’s most year groups are keeping a strong attendance figure, however there is some work to do in Y5 and Y6, so please keep working hard to improve this. The children in these year groups have so much to cover to be high school ready and this is a crucial time for curriculum content.



If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, you must apply for a full-time Reception Year school place by 15 January 2025



You **must** make an application even if your child already has a place in a nursery class, pre-school or family hub

To apply for a place or for more information you can visit:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions

Information is also available from:

- The Admissions Team on **0345 600 0981**
- Your local school

Save Money
Potential saving of
£450

LUNCHTIME
FREE MEAL

Healthy, nutritious and freshly made daily

EVERY child in Reception Year 1 & 2
can have a **FREE** school lunch.

Please contact reception
for details

**FOOD
FESTIVAL**
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FESTIVE FUN

11th December
St Edmunds
Primary School

Roast Chicken & Stuffing
or
**Cheesy Cauliflower & Leek Puff Pastry
Wreath** 

Roasties, Xmas Vegetable Medley & Gravy

Christmas Tree White Chocolate Blondie



Tables and chairs

We have some hexagonal shaped tables (some in need of minor repairs) and children's plastic chairs to get rid of if anyone can make use of these.

Forest School dates

- 9th January – Year 6
- 16th January – Year 5
- 6th February – Year 4
- 13th February – Year 3
- 27th February – Year 2
- 6th March – Year R and 1
- 13th March – Year R and 1



1st May – Year 4 8th May – Year 5 22nd May – Year 6
 5th June – Year 3 12th June – Year 2 19th June – Year R and 1
 26th June – Year R and 1

Other upcoming dates

Thursday 5th December – Advent Mass – 9.15am – 10.15am
 Tuesday 10th December – Whole School Nativity Carol Service – 2pm
 Wednesday 11th December – School Christmas lunch
 Thursday 12th December – Christmas Jumper Day
 Thursday 12th December – Christmas Enterprise – 3.15pm – 4.15pm



Merry Christmas

Whole School Nativity and Carol service

St Benet's 11th December 2pm
 St Edmund's 10th December 2pm

Performed in the school hall therefore places limited to 2 per family please.

We look forward to sharing this wonderful celebration with you.



LIGHTWAVE & HOLY TRINITY

Holy Trinity BUNGAY

Christmas Carol Service

DESIGN COMPETITION!
 DESIGN THE FRONT COVER OF THE PROGRAMME

Include this writing on your design:
 Lightwave & Holy Trinity Christmas Carol Service,
 Sunday 15th December, 5pm

PRIZE FOR TOP DESIGN FROM EACH SCHOOL!

Hand in your design to Earsham, Ditchingham, St Edmunds or Bungay Primary school office, or at Spud Club by Mon 2nd Dec.
 Or email design to: heather.land@cofesuffolk.org

Spaces still available in the choir performing at the Carol Service! Sign up your KS2 child using the QR code or email Heather Land




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Heart of Gold



In Beech class Malissa has received the Heart of Gold for the value of Faith (holiness). Malissa always shows respect during RE lessons and has made valuable contributions during the Christmas story.

This week the Heart of Gold for faith (holiness) in Rowan class goes to Ethen.



This is because he always shows the highest level of respect during our prayers and R.E lessons. During R.E he always contributes, shares his opinions and views and thinks deeply about his answers. He is always open and honest about his ideas and beliefs

related to faith. Well done Ethen!



In Oak class Kesiya is our Heart of Gold this week for Faithfulness. She is a loyal, caring friend. She is also a considerate member of our school family. Her positive outlook is infectious and fills all of us with faith, which brings us new hope.