

July 2025



Oh my goodness, I think I blinked and the time disappeared! I really can't believe that we've reached the end of another school year. Sadly, we're waving goodbye to another brilliant bunch of Year 6 children as we wish them well for high school; however, we look forward to welcoming our little group of EYFS children who were amazing over their transition days. We are delighted that Mr Bullock is staying with us for a second year and he's relishing not being the new boy! With Ofsted successfully behind us, we are excited to continue to move our little school forwards. Miss McGimpsey's hard work ensured that we achieved our Primary Science Mark accreditation and we are in the process of working through the Arts Mark. Things never stand still! Years 1-6 return on Wednesday 3rd September and EYFS on Thursday 5th (new buddies are raring to go!) All that remains is to wish you all a happy, healthy and peaceful summer and thanks for your support this year. - Mrs A Snell

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Summer is singing
with joy, and
the beaches are
inviting you with
dancing waves.
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"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near."
Matthew 24:32



Castle Class:

Our final half term has arrived so incredibly quickly! Castle Class visited 'Zipworld' during our first week back as an end of year trip - 'Treetop Net's was a great day and being the first time many have visited, they thoroughly enjoyed it. We attended Halton's pilot 'Water Safety' event only a couple of weeks ago to learn from RNLi, RLSS and Cheshire Fire and Rescue. The sun made it a hot and delightful day, and we got our steps in by walking along the canal there and back! It was our final Sports Day for the Year 6 cohort also, who led some of our stalls brilliantly during our Summer Fayre. Hopefully everyone got the chance to soak Mr Bullock and other willing volunteers!



Bridge Class:

What a busy and exciting half term we've had in Reception! We kicked off our Talk for Writing topic on 'Transport' with a special letter from Mr Gumpy, inviting us to the canal for a surprise - a fantastic way to spark

our imaginations! We also loved welcoming Miss McGimpsey's dad into school with his coach. The children had fun talking to him about his job and sitting on the comfy seats.

Throughout the term, we built all kinds of transport using different construction materials, both indoors and out. We celebrated Father's Day with a lovely event for dads, grandads and uncles, enjoying hot dogs, drinks and games - a big hit! To finish the term, we had an unforgettable trip to Imagine That! in Liverpool, where we explored exciting activities and took home slime, fake snow, a bath bomb and a painted magnet. What a brilliant half term of learning and fun!



Holly and Dottie, Junior Safety Stars Shine Bright This Year:

This school year, our very first JSO's have truly gone above and beyond in their roles as Junior Safety Officers. Holly and Dottie have worked tirelessly to ensure the safety and wellbeing of their peers — and their efforts have not gone unnoticed.

From the very start of the year, Holly and Dottie have been leading the way, educating fellow peers on a wide range of vital safety topics. Their assemblies, competitions and awareness subjects have covered everything from water safety and fire awareness to road safety, car safety, and even dental care. They've reminded everyone of the importance of mental health, taught safe habits online, and encouraged healthy, safe choices both in and out of school.

Staff and children alike have praised them for their energy, dedication, and leadership. Whether they were delivering assemblies, designing posters, or leading competitions, Holly and Dottie approached every task with enthusiasm. Their commitment has not only made the school a safer place, but has also inspired younger children to think more about how they can take responsibility for their own safety and wellbeing.

Alice and Isobel Lead the Way as School's First Mental Health Ambassadors:

This year marked an exciting milestone for our school with the introduction of our very first Mental Health Ambassadors — and what a difference they have made. Alice and Isobel have stepped into their roles with passion, purpose, and a genuine desire to support the wellbeing of their fellow peers and the wider community.

Throughout the year, the girls have led a number of important initiatives designed to boost mental health awareness and promote kindness. From organizing Children's Mental Health Week and Kindness Week to helping the school mark World Mental Health Day, they have shown a deep understanding of the importance of looking after both our minds and each other. Their influence has extended beyond the classroom. Alice and Isobel have encouraged other classes to get involved, with pupils heading out into the local community to spread kindness and positivity. From small, thoughtful gifts to kind words, these acts of compassion have lifted spirits and left lasting impressions.

Each week, the ambassadors have carefully selected two children to receive kindness certificates — a tradition that has quickly become a highlight for many. Their recognition of kind behaviour has helped to build a more caring, connected school culture. Mrs Wilks shared her pride, saying, "Alice and Isobel have embraced their roles wholeheartedly. Their enthusiasm is infectious, and they've truly made a positive impact on our school community. I couldn't be prouder."

Well done, girls — truly amazing!

Lock Class:

Lock have had an exciting few weeks helping our new alien friend, Beegu! We've been teaching him all about friendship and kindness, and in English, we've written our own journey tales inspired by his adventure, complete with brand-new characters we imagined ourselves. In maths, we've been exploring position and direction (with some very fun obstacle courses!), and in science, we've been learning how we can help save the planet. Geography lessons have taken us on a weather watch, while in art we've been busy designing and making amazing paper structures. It's been a jam-packed half-term and we can't believe we've only got a few weeks left together!



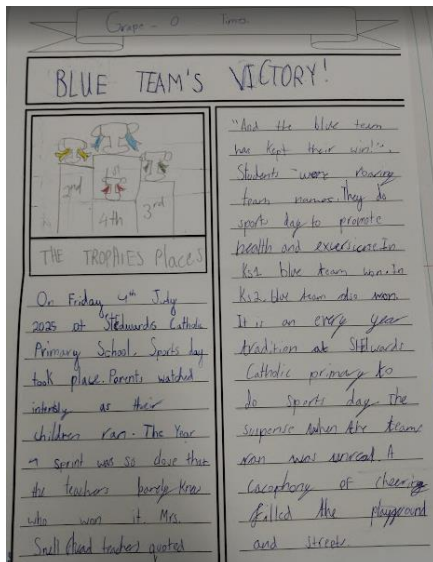
Children are welcome to come on their bikes to school. We have a small covered area to the rear of the school. **Please note though, you must wear a helmet.** Unfortunately, we must add that bikes are left at your own risk.

First Holy Communion



Congratulations to Angel-Mae and Leila on making their First Holy Communion at St. Edward's in June. You look beautiful and our school is very proud of you.

Priory class: We have had another fun half term! We have been learning about newspaper reports and have written our own about our school Sports Day. We have enjoyed finding out all about Rainforests in Geography and investigated our hand spans in Science. We had a lovely day for our Pilgrims of Hope Day. We focussed on Joy and how we can bring Joy to our own lives and the lives of others. We have continued to learn how to play the recorder and flute, learning a range of different tunes and performing to an audience. We have also choreographed our own group dances and performed to KS1.



100% Attendance	0 Days Missed	Excellent
95% Attendance	9 Days Absence 1 week & 4 days of learning missed	Satisfactory
90% Attendance	19 Days Absence 3 weeks & 4 days of learning missed	Poor
85% Attendance	28 Days Absence 5 weeks & 3 days of learning missed	Very Poor
80% Attendance	38 Days Absence 7 weeks & 3 days of learning missed	Unacceptable
75% Attendance	46 Days Absence 9 weeks & 1 day of learning missed	Unacceptable

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Miss McGimpsey	@StEdwards_C1
Miss McCulloch	@StEdwards_C2
Mrs Taylor / Mrs Bradshaw	@StEdwards_C3
Mr Bullock	@StEdwards_C4

Check our school website for key information:
www.stedwardscatholicprimaryschool.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bastille (French) Day	14.07.25
Quidditch Day (PE kits)	15.07.25
Finish for summer - 1.30pm	18.07.25
Y1-6 return	03.09.25
EYFS return	04.09.25

Sports Day Photographs!





We have tried our best to capture as many children as possible in the photos. Apologies if anyone is missing - some children were just too fast!

End of Year Awards Assembly

You are welcome to join us on Friday 18.07.25 at 9am to celebrate our end of year winners.

A Prayer for Summer

Take time to claim your strength; this is a gift from God.

Take time to have fun; it is God's way of teaching you your strengths. Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you and you will bless them.

Take time to have hope; you are a child of God.

