

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE



Word of the week – Patron

Worship Theme of the week – St Edward's Day

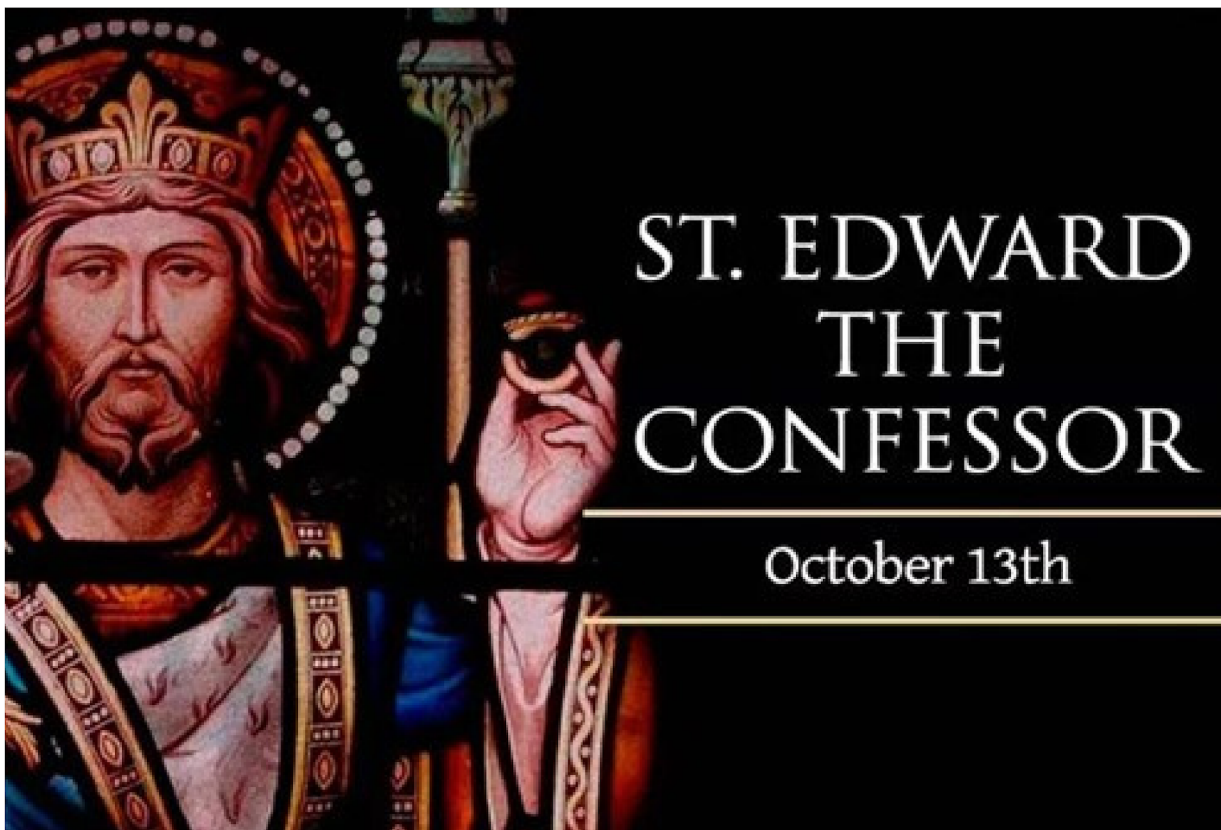
Core value of the week – Respect and tolerance of different beliefs

Biblical reference of the week – Philippians 2:5

A week of raising awareness and a week of celebrating sums up the past five days. It was great to see all the support for raising awareness of mental health on Tuesday and all the activities taking place. It was lovely to read the messages of positivity our children produced, they are very thoughtful, and I know one of our core values, empathy, is seen across all students when supporting their peers. They are credit to themselves. The second half of the week has seen the presentation of our world famous 'real plastic gold' trophies to students who have impressed the most this half term. I love hearing the reasons why and seeing the pride on the children's faces when they are given the award. This week we are also presenting attendance awards and the first Principal's breakfast invites have gone out.

I cannot believe next week is the last before half term and I am looking forward to seeing all the children do fantastically well in our Masters of Recall Big Quiz and on Thursday next week we will be walking up to St Mary's Church at different points during the day for our Harvest Liturgical service.

Finally, we celebrate St Edward's day on Friday 13th October and all week in form time our collective worship has been based around our patron.



Sport at St Edward's

It has been another busy and successful week in the world of sport. Our U14 girls' team did superbly well to beat Hayfield School 4-2 in the National Cup and are looking a formidable team. We had our second cross country event at Astrea Academy Dearne on Wednesday and on Thursday night we had boys' football fixtures and girls' netball fixtures versus Horizon. I am immensely proud to see the number of sporting events we put on and the number of children who participate. Thanks to all parents who actively support all the teams. Please do keep passing on sporting excellence events outside of school via our twitter page, we love to celebrate and showcase sporting excellence as well as academic excellence. A huge thank you to Alliance Roofing (Yorkshire) Ltd, Koncept Group and Ledger Electrical for sponsoring our kits, how smart do they all look.

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Masters of Recall

As I mentioned above our Big Quiz is next week. This is the chance for all students to demonstrate the core knowledge they have learnt and memorised this term. Our quiz is multiple choice and gives the children their score straight away. When we come back after half term Mrs Gilmore will be presenting 100% stickers, postcards and badges in our celebration assemblies. Our teachers then use the scores to decide what knowledge we need to revisit and what we feel is learnt already. Your hard work as parents supporting your child each night and week with their knowledge organiser really does help and this is reflected in their results. Will we see if any students get 100% on this quiz. I have a sneaky feeling Y7 are going to de-throne Y9 as the highest scoring year group.



Celebration Assembly winners

Well done to all the students below who won real plastic gold, Team of the Week, and one of our Wildcard awards this week. Fantastic effort and work from you all.



Barnsley Foodbank – House event and Community support Partnership House Competition

We are delighted to be supporting Barnsley Foodbank Partnership from 17th to 20th October 2023. We are asking students to donate as many long-life items as possible. Suggested items include tinned foods, dried pasta, toilet roll, dilute juice, baby wipes etc. Students will take their donated items to the small hall as soon as they arrive at school and place them in their house pile. The house who collects the most items will receive 200 house points!

We have assigned a drop off day for each year group:

Year 7 = Tuesday 17th October
Year 8 = Wednesday 18th October
Year 9 = Thursday 19th October

Please donate if you can, our Barnsley community really appreciate your support.

Parent Co-opted Governor

We have a well-established and highly skilled Local Governing Board who meet six times a year to put into place their delegated responsibilities given to them by our Trust Board. We would like to extend the number of our LGB by one this academic year. We are looking to recruit a parent who will be co-opted as a governor. This means they will have responsibilities on the LGB not because they are a parent, but because of their skill set and experience.

We are looking to recruit a parent to take up this role who has skills and experiences of leading a business, particularly with experiences in the accountancy side of business. If you feel you have these skills and would like to be considered to join the LGB please can you email your expression of interest and a brief synopsis of your skills and experiences to the clerk of the LGB, Lucie Clack (lclack@stedwards.trinitymat.org). We will then look to invite interested parties to a meeting with myself and the Chair of the Governing Body. If we have multiple interests, we will recruit the individual we feel has the greatest skill set to meet the need of the LGB. We look forward to hearing from you.

Dates for your diary/upcoming events

Tuesday 17th October – Masters of Recall Big quiz
Thursday 19th October – Harvest Liturgical Services at St Mary's Church
Tuesday-Thursday – Food bank donations
Friday 20th October – last day of term – school re-opens on Tuesday 7th November