Dear Parents/Carers

**MISSION STATEMENT:** *“I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me”*

Aylesbury Food Bank visited school this week and delivered an assembly to the children on the vital work they do. As part of the Harvest Festival we will be collecting on behalf of the Aylesbury Food Bank. Aylesbury Foodbank have told us “Demand is rising fast - we distributed 12,458 meals in September, feeding 1,382 people. Since April we have fed 6,584 people with 59, 096 meals. The contribution of your school is both vital and needed”. Items that are particularly needed include:

Tinned meat/fish

Tinned fruit

Sponge/rice puddings

Tinned vegetables

Chocolate

Tea/Coffee

Long life juice

We will be collecting up until Friday (18th October 2024) when the Food Bank will come to collect our donations. Please send items to school with your child and they can add to the collection. We also have our food bank cupboard located in the Main Entrance to leave any donations.

A huge thank you to FOSE for organising this weeks film nights and thank you to everyone who participated. These fundraisers contribute greatly to new equipment for the children and help to provide gifts and support as well as offering great fun. The next FOSE fundraiser will be our annual Fireworks nights on Friday 8th November. More details to follow!

A reminder that there will be no school run activity clubs, including Young Voices Choir, next week due to Parents Evening. Any paid for clubs will continue as usual, unless you hear directly from the organiser.

It was lovely to have so many parents and visitors join us at our Mass to celebrate our School Saints Day. The children all had a beautiful day filled with various St Edward themed activities!

Please see below for some important reminders for next week:

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|   | **Day** | **Activity** |
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| **Whole school** | Tuesday 15th October  | Parents evening 17:00-20:00 |
|   | Thursday 17th October | Parents evening 15:40-18:30 |
|   | Friday 11th October | Street Dance – pre-booking and payment required – please see ParentMail |
|   |   | Last day of half term |
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| **Year 3** | Wednesday 16th October | Yr 3 & 4 author visit – Hannah Gold |
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| **Year 4** | Tuesday 15th October  | Swimming |
|   | Wednesday 16th October | Yr 4 Harvest Assembly 09:00 parents welcome –  |
|   |   | Yr 3 & 4 author visit – Hannah Gold |

Please see below for the Wednesday word:

[Happiness - Magazine - Page 1 (paperturn-view.com)](https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/happiness?pid=MTA101634&v=151.3)

We wish you a happy and peaceful weekend.

Kind regards

 St Edward's Catholic Junior School