



# St Edward's Chaplaincy Team Newsletter

Advent Term 2024

*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*

Mrs Heritage, Mrs Fahey and Mr Grexhammer (Chaplain)

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September, Mrs Heritage organised a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support Charity. Many people enjoyed a cup of tea and a slice of donated cake. With the support of St Joseph's and St Edward's families the event raised £1169.32.

## Stewardship at Eco Club

Eco Club and I met after school, on a Wednesday. We discussed the importance of looking after our grounds so that others can enjoy them in the future. We litter picked and cut back unwanted weeds so the trees would grow better.

## St Edward's Feast Day

We celebrated our feast day on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of October (nearest school days to the 13<sup>th</sup>). This year's theme was history and kingship. The children learnt about St Edward by completing activities in class and taking part in an information scavenger hunt outside. They also made commemorative wooden discs.

## The Bishop's Schools' Mass

Bishop David invited all Catholic Schools in the Diocese to attend the Schools' Mass, on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October. During the Mass, he blessed our Mission Team and at the end of Mass, during the parade, he blessed our banner.

## Mission Team

The Mission team and I met to discuss our mission statement and mission behaviours. We also met to edit an Advent prayer (to be included in the school prayer book). The team were also involved during Assemblies and each school Mass.

## Harvest Collection for the Chiltern Foodbank.

During a Harvest Assembly, we were reminded of our Catholic Responsibility to give what we can, to help those who have less than us. A great Harvest collection of food was made which the Foodbank distributed to families around Aylesbury who are in need.

## Sponsored Walk, Reverse Advent Calendar and Toy Appeal

Mrs Fahey organised a sponsored walk in aid of Children in Need. Staff, pupils, parents and their dogs, enjoyed a walk in Tring Park. Children also used the Reverse Advent Calendar bringing in food for the Aylesbury Food Bank and toys as part of the Bucks Radio Toy Appeal. This idea was put forward by the Equality committee.

## Christmas Carol Service at Our lady of Lourdes Church

The end of Advent term Carol Service was organised by Mrs Heritage, Mrs Ramsbottom and Mrs Fahey. The service was led by the Mission Team and pupils from across the school who confidently performed readings and sang Christmas carols beautifully.



Litter Picking



Pruning



Bramble Clearing  
(Eco Club)



St Edward's Feast Day 2024



Schools' Mass, Dunstable