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Flushed Away



St. Edmund's is on a roll with new facilities and Efrem's got the scoop!



The new toilets at St. Edmund's Catholic School.

Efrem gets to the bottom of the new school toilets:

Almost every term, our school receives new facilities. This time, it's the toilets. The stunning marble walls with a tint of grey have made our restrooms appear wonderful - as I have seen for myself in the boys' facilities.

The bathrooms have been spaced out significantly more than previously, which is fantastic! Now the new Year 7s can use these fantastic facilities.

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"I have heard that the girls' toilets are remarkable and that there is a cool looking mirror?" **Efrem**



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London Calling!



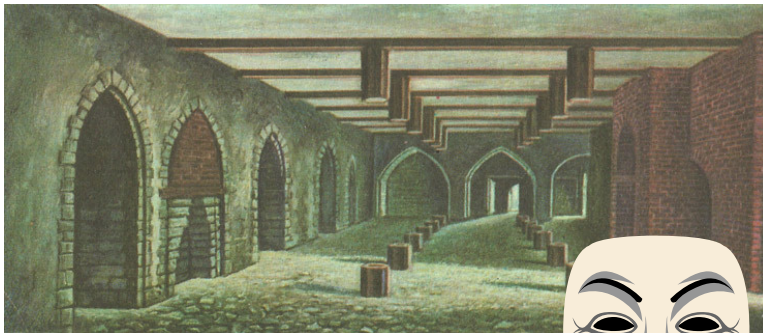
Grace and Dalia look at the best places to remember, remember the 5th November...



Central London Fireworks 2021.

Travel to London now and visit The Houses of Parliament to learn more about Guy Fawkes and his gunpowder plot...

On the 5th November 1605, Guy Fawkes attempted to assassinate King James I of England. This plan failed because Guy Fawkes was found in the cellar where the gunpowder was hidden. Himself, and others were sentenced to death.



The Cellar: The Houses of Parliament.



How do we celebrate in London?

Across Great Britain, bonfire night is celebrated every 5th November to commemorate the failure of The Gunpowder Plot. These are some ways we do this:

- Firework displays
- Lighting bonfires
- Burn an effigy on a fire to represent Guy Fawkes

Why would you want to travel to the Houses of Parliament?

- To educate yourself more about the history of Guy Fawkes.
- There are a range of tours taking place inside one of the world's 'most famous buildings.'
- It heavily symbolises Great Britain and the history there.



Guy Fawkes.

Guy Fawkes Facts:

- Guy Fawkes was not hanged, drawn and quartered.
- Guy Fawkes was not the Gunpowder Plot's ringleader.
- Guy Fawkes won the unlikely admiration of King James I.
- Guy Fawkes was actually Protestant by birth.
- Guy Fawkes has an island named after him.

By Grace & Dalia



Teachers Tie the Knot



Freya finds out how some of our staff popped the question to their partners.



Mr Hughes and his wife Sarah.

There have been lots of weddings amongst our staff, but before the wedding itself, and important question had to be asked...

Mr Hughes

When asking Mr. Hughes about his wedding back in 2017 he was delighted to tell me about how he proposed to his wife.

Mr Hughes took his wife to Southsea Castle when the sun was setting and asked her the very important question.

Apparently she said yes!

Photography collected by Freya

'Apparently she said yes!'



Mr & Mrs Bull-Mittens, along with hard evidence that Mrs Bull-Mittens is taller.



Mr and Mrs Were on their wedding day.

Mr Were

When asking Mr Were how he proposed to Mrs Were, he told me that it was on New Years.

He stated that the 6 years they have been together have been the best years of his life

Mr Bull-Mittens

When asking Mr Bull- Mittens about his proposal, he told me that he got his dog involved by putting on the dog's collar: 'Will you marry me?'

"Thankfully he came in when I called him."

They were married at The Square Tower - a historical building, of course! When I asked about outfits he said he wore a dark purple suit (like The Joker) and that Mrs Bull-Mittens wore a dress with stones on the bodice.

"She looked amazing," he said.

By Freya



STUDENT NEWS

Perfect Prefects?



Rahwa sits down to interview some of the prefect team at St. Edmund's.

There are many more prefects within St. Edmund's school, but here are just a few within the prefect team and their thoughts on the following questions:

Questions:

- 1) What hobbies/activities do you enjoy?
- 2) What is your role and what does that mean?
- 3) What are your aspirations/what do you think you want to do after St. Edmund's?
- 4) What have you enjoyed the most this year/ what are you looking forward to?
- 5) What subjects did you pick for your GCSE's?

Emily Eckworth

I play netball competitively and as a fun sport. I am in a team with people from different schools, so I have made many friends outside of school. I also have a part-time job, working in Pandora. I work a few hours a week on the weekends, which I have really enjoyed and have learned many skills from.

Duties as Deputy Head Girl include communicating between Year 11, other years and the senior leadership team, attending regular meetings, doing the prefect duties in the canteen and just generally setting a good example for other years.

My aspiration after school is to go to college and do A-Levels. I am hoping to go to university and pursue a career in detective or police analysis.

I have most enjoyed the reward trips at the end of the year as it gives you something to look forward to each year and it is great fun to go on a roller-coaster.

I picked History, Geography, Food Tech and Textiles.

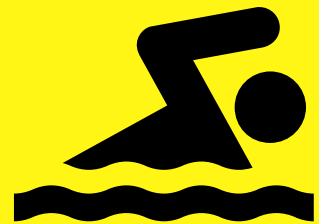
Interviewed Prefects:



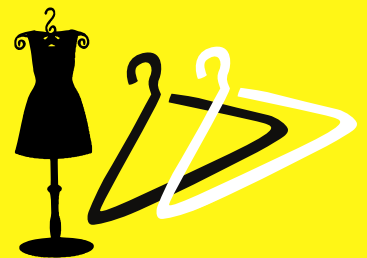
Emily Eckworth - 11 Teresa



Emmanuel Ige - 11 Devereux



Jennifer Motunbo - 11 John Paul



Megan Donaldson - 11 Kolbe

STUDENT NEWS



Emmanuel Ige

My hobby is taking part in sport and my favourite activity is playing football.

I am the Head Boy and my role is to show the values of this school by being a good role model. My job is also to plan events in the school with the Head Teacher and senior leadership team. I listen to students if they have any problems and try and find solutions.

After school, I aspire to become a football player and I can achieve this through hard work and determination. This year I am looking forward to Prom and all the other fun events planned.

For my GCSE options, the subjects I chose were: Computer Science, PE BTEC, Geography and French.

Jennifer Motunbo

One of the activities I enjoy is swimming as I'm able to take part in competitions. I also enjoy sewing and playing the piano as it broadens my creative aspect.

I'm a Community Captain and having this role allows me to help benefit the growth of the St. Edmunds community the best I can.

I aspire to continue to work hard and achieve the goals I am working towards in the future. After St. Edmund's I would like to go to college.

I am looking forward to achieving goals I hope to accomplish in Year 11.

I chose: Psychology, Computer Science, Child Development & Geography.

Megan Donaldson

I enjoy doing fashion drawings and sewing, I like knitting and doing hair and makeup in my spare time as I enjoy being creative in my spare time.

I am a normal prefect but also a Textiles prefect, this means I have to help Mrs Lindsay cut up fabrics for all her lessons and help organize the fabric storage. As a regular prefect I have break duties on the staircase and just generally try to be helpful around the school.



Past Senior Prefect Team & Captains 2020-2021.

I want to go to college and take fashion and design. I aspire to be a fashion designer when I am older and have a degree in fashion.

I'm really excited for Prom and having an amazing night with my classmates. I am also looking forward to results day and seeing my hard work pay off. I have also really enjoyed writing for The Eagle this year.

I decided to take Media Studies, Child Development, Textiles, History. I also take a Hair and Beauty course.

"I am the Head Boy and my role is to show the values of this school."



Current Head Boy & Girl with their Deputies.



The Great South Run



Lily interviews some members of staff about their experience of The Great South Run.

Most people have probably heard of The Great South Run. If not, then I'm here to give you some information about it:

The Great South Run is an annual 10 mile road running race, which takes place in Portsmouth and was first launched in 1990.

This race has continued to take place throughout the years. It was created by former British athlete Brendan Foster

This year the race took place on the 16th and 17th of October, which gave hundreds and thousands of people the chance to participate.

Not only can adults take part in this race, but children can too. The junior and mini run gives younger children the opportunity to also run in their own race. This can help children gain fitness skills and teach them to push themselves past their limits in order to accomplish what they want to.

I spoke to a few teachers about their experience as a participant in the race and this is what they had to say:

Miss Hooker

On the 17th October 2021, Miss Hooker ran and completed The Great South Run with a time of **1 hour, 6 minutes and 30 seconds.**



Miss Hooker: The People's Champion.

Additionally, she was the 27th woman to complete the race out of a total of 7629 other women.

She came 321st out of a total of 15,567 men and women.

"I've done it a few times in the past. It's a very local race with a good atmosphere and some great sites - an amazing view of the dockyard!"



"I've done it a few times in the past."

Mr Were

Some words from Mr Were about his experience with The Great South Run:

"I did The Great South Run this year. I did it before in 1.21pb 4 years ago and completed it this year in **1.17pb**. I came 1311 out of 15567 (so not quite as good as Miss Hooker.)

It is hard, but not physically. I have been running for years, therefore doing 10 miles doesn't finish me off physically - it's the mental side that I find the hardest. Motivating yourself to run 10 miles is one thing, but to sustain the pace required to do a pb or to come in the top 10% of a race is what really weighs me down.

The crowd play a massive part and do push you on with their cheering. That is what separates a proper race from just training. I didn't have much time for training prior to the run. I did one 10 miler 3 weeks before and it was 6 minutes slower! So that shows you how much of an effect a crowd can have!"

By Lily



Mr Were blames his fragile ankles for not beating Miss Hooker.



SEASONAL

Festive Fireworks



Megan sees November out with a bang!



Portsmouth's Bonfire Night 2021: Firework show at King George V playing fields

November 3rd: What a night!

This month on the 3rd November I was astounded by the fireworks. me and my friends all went to watch in our winter coats and gloves. We stood right at the front and watched the magic happen.

BANG. POP. SIZZLE.

Orange, pinks, golds, greens were whizzing around the air like shooting stars.

WIZZ. SWISH. PING.

The fireworks popped and then magically feathered into glitter. You could see the reflections of the dazzling light in our gazing eyes. What a night!

By Year 7 (Anonymous)



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S'more Recipe



Easy Digestive S'mores.

Ingredients:

- 8 Digestive biscuits
- 8 chunks milk chocolate
- 4 marshmallows

Method:

1. Cut out 4 squares of tin foil big enough to wrap the treats in.
2. Put 1 biscuit on each piece of foil and top with 2 chunks of chocolate and a marshmallow. Place the other biscuit on top and wrap each parcel tightly.
3. Put the s'mores on a hot barbecue and warm through for 2 mins on each side, so that the chocolate and marshmallows are just melted.
4. Remove and allow to cool slightly before carefully peeling off the foil. Serve immediately.

By Megan





HEALTH & BEAUTY

Winter Beauty, Hair & Health



Jess gives us her hot tips for a cold winter.

Looking after your skin in winter is so important. As the icy weather creeps up on us, it's good to keep up with your skin and skin care.

The cold weather can really dry your skin out so it's really good to use hydrating cleansers, toners and moisturisers. Also hydrating face masks are very good. All these products will keep you skin looking fabulous during the winter season.

In winter it's also very important to keep up with your health. For example getting you 5 a day and eating well, even though it's winter. But health isn't just about what you eat it's also about looking after yourself. For example: going on a walk, having a nice relaxing bath, face masks and things that make you happy!

Make up in winter it a must!! You can be so creative with the make look you do. Such as: your eyeshadow (blues, greens, gold and silver), lipsticks, blusher and highlights! Winter make up is normally really nice because you can do whatever look you wish to!

Looking after you hair in winter is also really important because it can really dry your hair out, like the weather can do to you skin! Sometimes in winter people like to change the colour of their hair to go along with the seasons like: darker browns, light browns and cool tones of blonde!

By Jess



Skincare Recommendations.



Winter Make-Up Tones.



Winter Hair Inspo.



EDUCATION



Edinburgh University



Barima heads to Scotland to look at one of the UK's top universities.

The University of Edinburgh is the sixth oldest university in the UK and the oldest civic foundation in the English-speaking world. Today, the University is home to 43,380 students spread across five campuses around the city. These campuses also house some of the world's most important collections, including art, musical instruments, natural history, geology, anatomy, rare books and manuscripts.

83% of their research was recently deemed world leading or internationally excellent and they have been awarded the prestigious Queen's Anniversary Prize five times. As well as this, their commercial service has helped launch more than 500 companies since 1967.



University Building at The University of Edinburgh.



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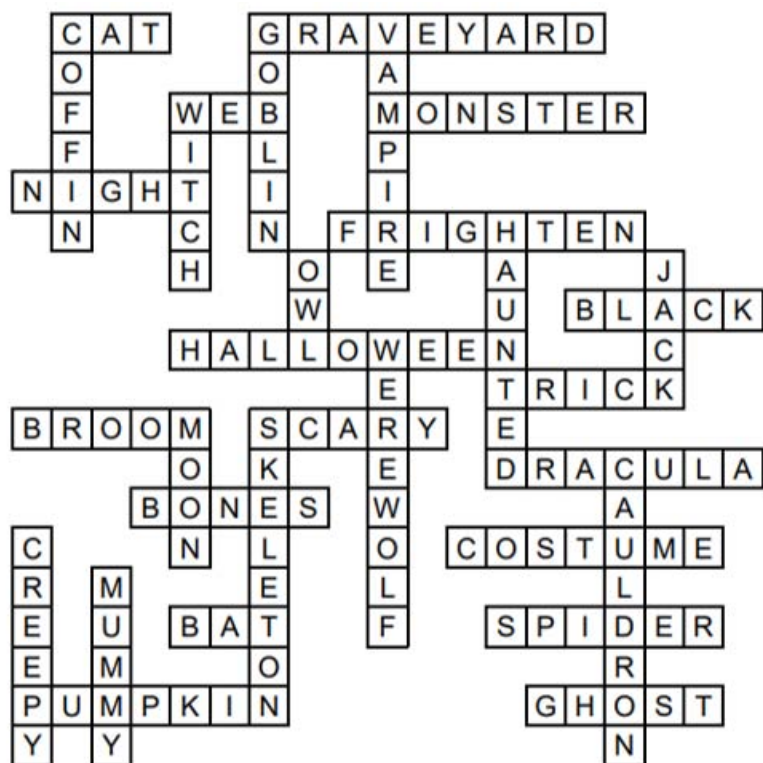
- Consistently ranked as one of the top 50 universities in the world.
- Ranked 16th in the 2022 World University Rankings.
- Ranked 4th in the UK for research power.
- 19 Nobel Prize winners who are alumni of the University or have been members of academic staff here.
- Ranked in the top 10 in the UK and in the top 100 in the world for graduate employability.
- Ranked 19th in the world's most international universities.
- Ranked as one of the top 5 sporting universities in the UK.
- More than 320 student societies covering sport, politics, social and community support, and the arts.
- Oldest student newspaper and oldest purpose-built student union in the world.
- Home of the James Tait Black Prizes – Britain's oldest literary awards.

By Barima

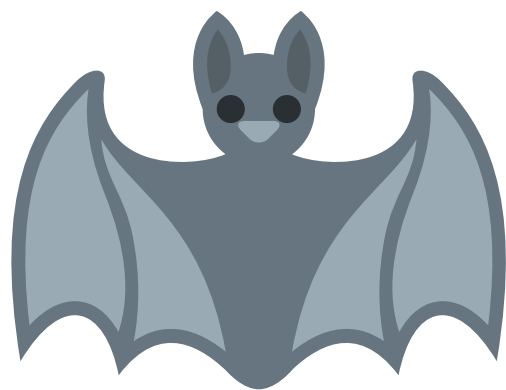




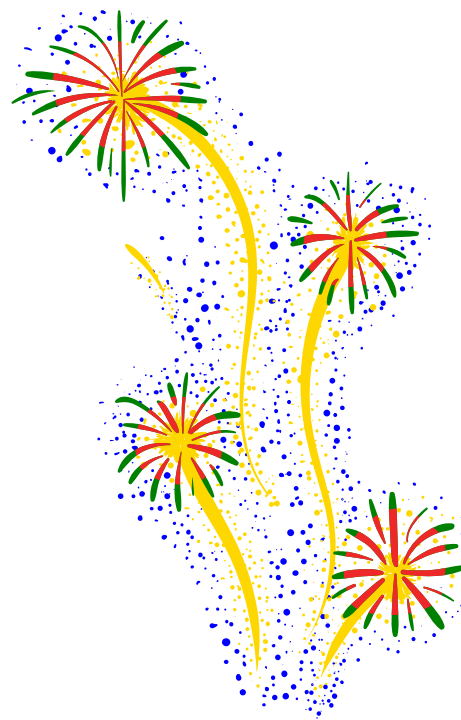
Puzzles & Games



***Our October
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Crossword
Answers***



Guy Fawkes Word Search



GUY FAWKES, TOFFEE APPLE, ROBERT CATESBY,
BONFIRE, ROCKET, GUNPOWDER, FIREWORKS,
CODE, SPARKLER, PARLIAMENT, EXPLOSIVES,
TREASON, CATHERINE WHEEL



PRAYER & RELECTION

Prayer for Those We Have Lost

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot be
parted,
either by death or life:
hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us all, with them, to your
eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



They shall not grow old,
as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them,
not the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them.



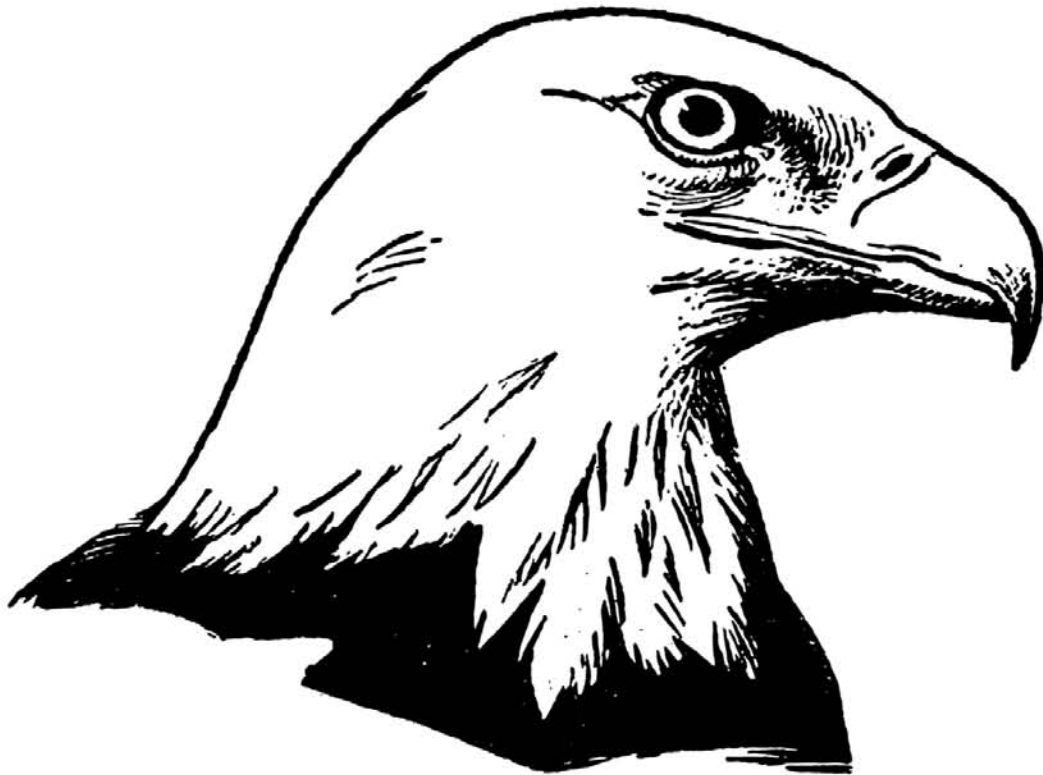
Lord Jesus, you said,
'Peace I leave with you.
My peace I give to you.'
Help us to be peacemakers
in our world today.
Amen.



Chosen by Phoebe



***'I can do all things
with the help of
God who
strengthens me.'***



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