



# PARENTS' WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE IN LOVE

16 OCTOBER 2026

## UPCOMING EVENTS

YEAR 12 PARENTS' EVENING  
(ONLINE)

WED 21 OCT, 15.30

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

On Monday, we held our first British Values Day, bringing democracy, individual liberty and the importance of active citizenship to life. We welcomed a local MP, Ian Byrne, who spoke to pupils about Parliament and the role of elected representatives.

A visit from a women's refuge helped pupils consider the importance of freedom, rights and democracy, particularly in countries where democratic processes are absent.

Our Year 13 Politics students also shared their knowledge with younger pupils. This is an important part of our new Personal Development delivery model, combining weekly taught sessions with British Values afternoons and assemblies to ensure pupils develop the knowledge, character and understanding they need for life beyond school.





ST EDWARD'S  
COLLEGE

SIXTH FORM  
**OPEN  
EVENING**

**WED 21 OCTOBER  
4-7PM**

**REGISTER TO ATTEND**  
at <http://tr.ee/HoQxNd>



**CLICK THE IMAGE TO ATTEND!**

# SIXTH FORM HIGHLIGHT! - ADVOCACY DAY

Sixth Form student Isobel R reports:

The Youth Ambassadors are grateful for the opportunity to attend the Edmund Rice Advocacy training day. Prior to the event we had a strong sense that the Edmund Rice team was encouraging us to get stuck into any opportunity that would present itself. Thus, we arrived eager to deepen our understanding of human right violations and learn how to challenge injustice. The day consisted of team building exercises and talks from previous Edmund Rice students. Mischa B shared her experience of travelling to Geneva with the support of the Edmund rice International (ERI). Her selfless ambition and determination to advocate for the less fortunate really spoke to our team, demonstrating how individual action can amplify the voices of the marginalised.

Inspirational Brother Teenoo reminded us of the privilege we hold in accessing quality education and the opportunities it provides. As right holders we have a responsibility to not take these circumstances for granted, but to use our privileges to support those facing inequalities beyond our immediate communities.

Philip, speaking from Australia, introduced us to the key distinction between charity and advocacy. While charity addresses the immediate effects of problems , advocacy challenges their underlying cause. This taught us that lasting change requires more than helping those affected; it demands action to transform the system that perpetuates injustice.

Most importantly, we aim to transform our learning into action. Our commitments at St Edward's include weekly volunteering at our school designated soup kitchen and leading the Growing Hearts club, that aims to build children's confidence and social skills .

Ultimately the training day reinforced that awareness must lead to action and as youth ambassadors we hope to embody the Edmund Rice values by using our voice and opportunities to challenge injustice and create lasting change.

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# FOSEC FOCUS

Get ready to experience the thrill of the track and help raise valuable funds at Friends of St Edward's College's upcoming Race Night!

Join us in the Refectory on **Friday 20 November 2026 from 7pm** for an unforgettable evening of high-stakes fun, nail-biting finishes, and non-stop excitement on the big screen.

Bring your friends, grab a drink and snack at our very reasonably priced bar, and see if you can pick a winner—all while helping us smash our fundraising goals. Tickets are just **£5** so secure yours today via:  
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/race-night-oct--2026>

First race is 7.30pm, bring cash for your bets with minimum £1 bet.

Hope to see you there - giddy up! 🐎



# ST EDWARD'S DAY MASS - GROW IN FAITH, BE PROUD

Last Sunday, our College community including Runnymede came together at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King for the annual Mass celebrating St Edward, our patron saint. This important occasion provides a valuable opportunity to reflect on our shared faith, celebrate our College's heritage and strengthen the bonds that unite us as Edwardians.



# INCONSIDERATE PARKING - TREAT OTHERS WELL



We must remind all parents and carers of the importance of parking responsibly and keeping North Drive clear at all times, particularly during the busy drop-off and collection periods.

We have been made aware of serious concerns regarding parking around the College, resulting in obstruction along North Drive. This causes congestion and has the potential to delay emergency services from reaching the College when they are urgently needed. **More recently an ambulance struggled to gain access to the College due to inconsiderate parking.**

This is a matter of pupil safety and must be taken extremely seriously. Parents and carers must not park, stop or wait in a manner that obstructs the road, restricts access to the College or prevents other vehicles from passing.

The safety and welfare of our pupils must always come first. Every driver has a responsibility to ensure that emergency vehicles can access the College without delay. We expect all parents and carers to act responsibly, follow these instructions and show consideration for the wider school community.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# SEND SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS - TREAT OTHERS WELL

We are always looking to improve our communications and procedures relating to pupils who need additional SEND support.

With that in mind, please can all SEND enquiry emails be sent to **[senco@st-edwards.co.uk](mailto:senco@st-edwards.co.uk)** rather than to the email addresses of any individual members of staff.

This will allow us to respond as a team, making the most of staff expertise and knowledge and enabling a more timely and effective outcome for everyone.



# PARENT DONATES ART TO COLLEGE - GROW IN FAITH

The College was thrilled to accept a generous donation of two stunning prints created by parent artist Nicola Cranfield. These faith-inspired artworks will be prominently displayed for the enjoyment of as many students as possible.

A heartfelt thank you to Nicola!



# PUPILS' JU JITSU SUCCESS - BE PROUD

Congratulations to Dylan G in Year 11 for his remarkable achievements at the United Nations World Championships in Gibraltar! He earned both a Gold and a Bronze medal while competing in four different categories!



# TEACHER MAIL - TREAT OTHERS WELL

Our first Teacher Mail of the academic year has arrived, and it was extra special to see our Year 7 pupils taking the time to share their kind words and appreciation for our staff.

It is wonderful to see our newest Edwardians already spreading positivity and recognising the people who help make their College experience so special.



# YOUTH CHOIR - GROW IN FAITH

The Youth Choir will be performing in the Gabriel Faure's Requiem Mass in November. All are welcome to attend.

## Gabriel Fauré's Requiem Mass

The Liverpool  
Metropolitan  
Cathedral Youth Choir

Monday 2nd November  
5:00pm

The Crypt,  
Liverpool Metropolitan  
Cathedral



# FOOTBALL NEWS - JOIN IN

Congratulations to our Year 7 Football team on an excellent performance in the first round of the English Schools Cup V Hartford High School. Well done and good luck in the next round boys. POM: Mikey D



Congratulations to our U13 Girls' Football team for an excellent performance in the 1st round of the English Schools' Cup V St John Bosco. They will now play Wade Deacon in the next round. We are proud of you all.



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Congratulations to the Y11 Football team on their convincing win V St Francis of Assisi in their English Schools' Cup game. Good sportmanship from both sides. POM: Liam O & Henry D. Top goal scorer- Noah M. Good luck in next round boys!



# CROSS-COUNTRY NEWS - JOIN IN

## Mr Henderson reports

Friday's training was chosen to be a relay session. Our athletes ran laps of 400m in teams of three. A couple of laps of the track each then on to a pyramid session. A warm welcome to our latest recruit, Filip P, Year 8.

Monday's session saw our runners back on the field with our standard reps of two laps followed by a short rest. We welcomed two new members, Aoife J (Year 8) and Charlie P (Year 9). There was a welcome return for Oswald M (Year 13) – she of the superb sprinting style.

On Wednesday we took three teams of five to the ESAA Cup at Arrowe Park. We haven't entered this competition for a few years but ventured forth this season with a small squad. The day started with it posing me a few selection problems due to a plethora of last-minute withdrawals. I had to run round the school looking for runners for the Intermediate Boys team. The problem was not the possibility of not finding willing volunteers but that of encountering wanted volunteers who had a running kit with them! Luck was a lady and provided me with the requisite athletes. My thanks to Pedro A (not the first time he has bailed me out), Joe K and Zach B (though Nico C also deserves a mention, too).

The weather was kind to us and the underfoot conditions were good. The Inter Boys were the first up and Max M finished a most impressive 8th. Other runners were James T, followed by an injured George McC, Nico C, Joe K and a valiant Zach B. Pedro had to pull up injured but he'll be back for next week. The boys finished joint 6th.

The Junior Girls were next up. For this team of Year 7/8 students, I decided to take three from Year 8 and give debuts to two from Year 7. Was I asking too much of young 11-yr-olds, throwing them in at the deep end to compete with older athletes? Maybe - but the idea was to give two most promising runners a taste of the big time. Experience was to be gained. Jasmine B (Year 8) was the first of the SEC girls home, in a magnificent 5th position. And who was our second-placed finisher? Why, only one of the aforementioned Year 7 girls, Ada C. This young lady demonstrated her class by finishing a superb 11th. What a prospect! Marion McC, Lottie R and our other Year 7 lady, Connie H, were our other runners. The team finished 4th out of 9 schools and narrowly missed out on third place.

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The final race was the Junior Boys. Again, this was a mixture of 3 Year 8s and 2 Year 7s. Again, I wanted to give the young 'uns the chance to race against older boys to thus gain valuable experience. As with the Year 7 girls, I had a lot of confidence in these Year 7 runners and thought they deserved the chance to mix it with older athletes. The result? Well, I permit myself a smug smile by announcing that our two Year 7s, Louie B and Reuben A, led our gallant team home, finishing 5th and 12th respectively! Superb stuff from 'the kids'. The Year 8 boys weren't far behind, mind you, and Jenson D, Daniel C-F and Sam S all ran well (the latter suffered an injury but carried on steadfastly). This magnificent group of boys finished third and has qualified for the next round of the competition. Hats off to them! A trip to Sedburgh (no idea, either!) on the 4th November awaits them.

They say we live and learn but, at times, it seems we don't; I am constantly surprised by the behaviour and good manners shown by our runners each time we compete. Why? I should know by now that our students always behave impeccably and always thank the organisers for their hard work. Oh, and their team spirit is fabulous. It is a joy to spend time with them each time they race.

One final piece of good, if not to say, great news from Wednesday is that our star biathlete, Max M (Year 10), has been awarded a place on the Pentathlon GB Performance Programme. This is a Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme for elite athletes who have the potential to compete at the Olympic Games. Yes, you read that right – the Olympic Games! Max will travel to Bath every month to train there. What a magnificent opportunity for this wonderful young man. We wish him all the best in this exciting and privileged endeavour.

Bronze medal this week goes to Zach B (Year 9) whose enthusiasm, good manners and dedication to our team make him a joy to have as a member of the squad. Silver Medal is for Ada Cameron who raced so well against girls a year older than here. The future looks bright for Ada.

Gold medal is for Louie Bell who, like Ada, raced against older athletes. Louie trains almost every session with us and his hard work was rewarded with a magnificent 5th at Arrowe Park. Hats off to you, Louie.

Cross-country training is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (and is never cancelled) and runners of all abilities are most welcome.



# WHAT'S ON IN LIVERPOOL?



River of Light - the iconic light art festival - will return to the streets of Liverpool this autumn under the theme of 'Together'.

Between 23 October - 1 November, tens of thousands of visitors will once again explore the city and experience the giant outdoor art gallery, which has become a staple of Liverpool's annual events calendar since 2018.

This year's trail is set to be bigger and better than ever as River of Light partners with Liverpool ABID to expand into new locations. Artworks will move beyond the waterfront and spread across the city centre, with new sites including Williamson Square and St Pauls Square.

All artworks commissioned for 2026 will use light to bring people together in a joyful way, and details of the first three artworks have now been unveiled - all of which are European or UK premieres. The wider programme of artworks will be announced in the coming weeks.



# COMING UP

I look forward to welcoming our Year 10 and Year 11 pupils, along with prospective students, to our Sixth Form Open Evening next Wednesday. This will be an excellent opportunity to explore the courses and opportunities available at our Sixth Form, meet our dedicated teachers and hear directly from current Sixth Form students about their experiences.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

Lee Fabia

Principal