

# St Edmund's Echo

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THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN!

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## Cadbury Exposed

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**Chocolate. Loved by many of us. When you think of chocolate don't you think of Cadbury?** Cadbury is like the face of chocolate. The 2 billion pound company has a secret that was recently discovered which it doesn't want you to know about. Who is the reason for their delicious treats? What is their fair trade like? Those questions will be answered in this article.

You probably didn't know that illegal child labour in Ghana is being used to supply cocoa beans for Britain's favourite chocolate. Young children, who deserve an education and as young as 10 years old are working grueling hours on farms supplying Cadbury. Carrying heavy loads like a body builder and most of them don't know where the chocolate goes. Plus they don't get paid enough! When I say they don't get paid enough, I mean they don't get paid ENOUGH! They make 11% of the final value of a bar of chocolate and that's just the adult farm-

ers. Imagine how much the children make or do they even make anything? The farmer's say that the low pay for their beans means they can afford barely a single adult laborer. Remember this is a lower currency, so it is probably not even up to a British Pound. They use machetes and incredibly sharp knives to slice the cocoa beans, which sadly lead them to getting cut. And they work the next day. Some even get bitten by snakes while working on the farm.

Channel 4 even interviewed a girl and she claimed to be

kept against her will. Cadbury claim to support ethical cocoa farming through its cocoa life brand.

A child age 11 told Channel 4 that she was told she would be helping with a baby but instead she had to farm. (bottom). She eventually cut her leg. Cadbury's owners Mondelez refused to respond to the abuse these poor children are going through.

They promised to stop this over 20 years ago and they haven't. Mondelez made over \$4 billion in profit last year. So the money

is there to pay the farmers. What a greedy load of people!

Ayodeji 6.2



## Year 6 Fashion Show!

Every year it is tradition for our school to host a fashion show showcasing the talented Year 6 pupils.

We have been learning about fashion over the decades.

Hours were spent designing and making the costumes using only newspaper! Of course all of this won't be possibly without the adults help. Many

thanks to: Ms Freitas, Miss Sinclair and especially Mrs Pope who organised the whole thing, provided us with resources and music. The show was a lovely conclusion to an amazing day!

Sadly, it was raining but the show still went on!

Picture can be seen on our website and school gallery.



## STUDENT COUNCIL TRIP

On Wednesday 18th May 2022, we (student council) went to Parliament with Mrs Grant and Mrs Llewellyn.

At Parliament we had a tour with our amazing tour guide. We entered the House of Lords and asked some questions like, "Why can't we sit down in the House of Lords?" We also had a debate about if children under 18 should get to vote or not.

Later, we went to go and see Sir Lindsay Hoyle. Everyone had to be silent when he walked past and if you were wearing a hat you had to take it off. There were a lot of police officers

to block the way and make sure

everyone was safe. Sir Lindsay Hoyle is the Speaker of the House of Commons.

To enter they had to put your bag in this machine to see what was inside it. Before the tour we got to put on headphones that connected to the speaker, so you could hear your tour guide.

When we finished the tour, we left to go and have lunch in the closest park.

Before we went to the train station to go back to school, we had a look around London and saw famous landmarks like: The London Eye,

Big Ben. .

Did You Know that the clock hands on Big Ben turned blue and they added little England flags. It was to it. It was £60-£80 MILLION pounds to paint it BLUE!

Tracey 6.2



### Joke!

Why did the kid  
toss the butter  
out the window?

(Find the answer  
on the next  
page)

## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

On 6th February this year, Her Majesty the Queen became the first British monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth. To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary, events and initiatives will take place throughout the year, culminating in a four-day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June.

At school, we will celebrate the Platinum Jubilee on Friday 27th May. So we ask that everyone comes to

school in red, blue or white clothes and be prepared for a full day of fun activities in class and as a school community.

In the morning, children will enjoy some traditional jam sandwiches, jelly and squash in the playground whilst watching 'The Great British Sing Off'. Then, each class will be performing a song from a decade of the Queen's reign. Altogether, we will finish with a performance of the National Anthem.

After a special school lunch, Phase groups will work to-

gether to provide children with a fun afternoon creating crowns, making crafts or learning dances from the past 70 years.

It is sure to be a memorable day! Look out on the website for pictures from the day!



**WORK  
HARD  
AND  
EARN  
HOUSE POINTS**

## House Points Competition

The House Point Competition is continuing to be the best one yet! Mr Kenny said it is very close between all the house and anyone could yet win the tickets to Edmondsbury Music Festival!

With only a few weeks left, keep your eyes out for our two Double Weeks, when all points will be multiplied by 2.

This will make a huge difference to who wins this year!

Keep up the hard work!

### 6 Weeks Left:

St Andrews— ???

St Patricks— ???

St Davids— ???

St Georges — ???

# Current World News

Recently, there has been a lot of sad stories in the news. But what can you do if you become upset by what you are hearing?

It's important to know that you are not the only one and it's OK to have those feelings. This section gives you some tips about what to do if you are feeling sad about what you've seen, heard or read.

**Share your worries:** If the news has upset you, talk to an adult you trust about it. It's important to share what is troubling you.

**Do things that make you happy:**

Doing things that make you happy can help you to feel better.

Watch your favourite film, take your dog for a walk or read some of your favourite book.

Try to balance the news you read. If you read a sad story, then try and read a happy one before you go to bed

If being worried is making it more difficult to sleep or if you are having nightmares, it's really important to speak to an adult about this too.

**DID YOU KNOW...**

Asia is the largest continent on earth! This also means it has the largest population with over 4.46



So they could see butterfly!!

Answer to the joke!!

## Girls Football Team

Over the last few months we have kept you updated with the success from our Year 5 and 6 Girls Football Team. Last week, they represented Tottenham Hotspur in the National Finals. They travelled on the official Tottenham coach to Vicerage Road, the home of

Watford. There they played against other league teams in the hope of becoming national champions. Unfortunately they did not progress past the Group Stages, however we are incredibly proud of their success.

Well Done Girls!



## Thank A Teacher Day

**You see them almost every day and they are a big part of your lives, teachers help kids learn and grow and now there is a chance to recognise all they do.**

Thank a Teacher Day, a day for you to tell your teachers what you're thankful for.

It's celebrated across the UK and gives students, parents and teachers a chance to just say THANKS!

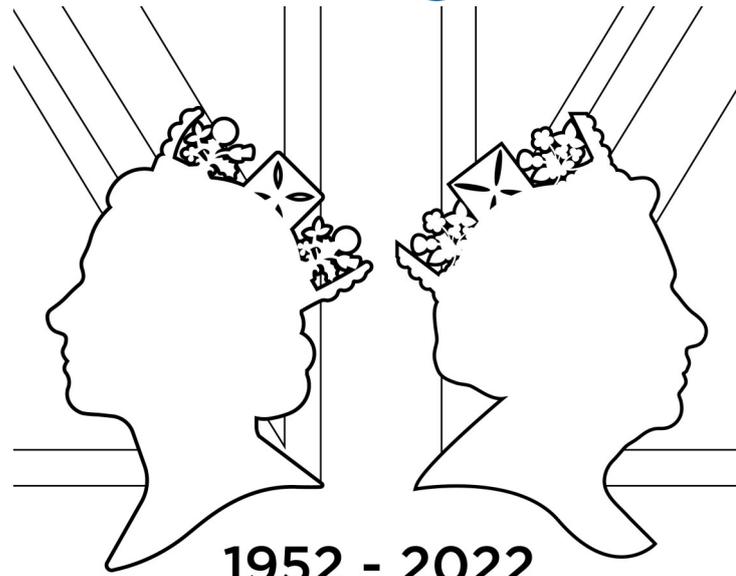
So what do you think makes a good teacher? Being kind, a good listener or being able to explain things really well?

Here are just some of the things we have heard so far:

- Make learning fun
- They're inspiring
- They're funny
- They explain things clearly
- They are good listeners



# Colouring Zone!



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## QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

@ColouringHeroes

## Up Coming Events In St Edmund's!

**Thursday 26th May**– Poetry  
Performance Assembly (whole  
school)

**Friday 27th May** – Queen's  
Platinum Jubilee party and cele-  
bration and singing competition  
(whole school)

**Friday 10th June—Monday 13th  
May** Year 6 School Journey

**Week beginning 4th July** --  
Sports Week TBC

