



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

***Weekly Update* from Jane Hines, Headteacher 4th November 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have returned from the half-term holiday and settled straight back into school with energy and enthusiasm.

All Saints' Day Mass

On Tuesday this week the children in KS2 joined Our Lady Queen of Peace parish to celebrate the Mass for All Saints. The children from Y6T led the readings and the prayers and the Schola Choir led the singing. We are grateful to Mgr Bill and the parishioners for welcoming us to the church so warmly and we were delighted to hear from a parishioner who emailed us saying: "It was a beautiful Mass, and I am sure I am not the only parishioner who drew inspiration and hope from St Elizabeth's staff and the children."

Y6 Second World War topic

On Wednesday this week, Y6T visited Richmond Museum to learn about life in Richmond during the Second World War. The children practised their sewing skills as they found out about 'Make do and Mend' and they handled artefacts related to the war. The children will continue their study of WW2 on Monday as they will be having an Evacuee Day in school. Both Y6 classes will come into school dressed as evacuees and will take part in a dance workshop to learn dances of the period such as the Lindy Hop.

Sports Update

Yesterday, the Sports Committee led the whole school assembly. They shared highlights of the school sports teams from Y3 to Y6, taking part in football, rugby and cross country running. We also celebrated participation in sports outside of the school, with children sharing with us their certificates, medals and trophies from a range of sports. We were very excited to see a range of sports across all the classes including; athletics, chess, cricket, dance, football, rugby, swimming and martial arts. We congratulated Charlie in Y6 who has been selected for the Richmond Cross Country Team in the forthcoming London Youth Games. Good luck, Charlie!

Foodbank – Thank you!

Thank you very much for your harvest donations to Richmond Foodbank. We took thirteen bags of food to Richmond Foodbank this week who were very grateful. We will resume Foodbank donations during Advent later this term.

Parent Consultation Evenings – Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th November

Parent consultation meetings will be taking place next week. In these meetings teachers will share information about your child's progress this term and you will have an opportunity to ask questions and share information with staff. Please enter the school through the main entrance for your meeting which will take place in the school hall and classrooms. Staff will be on hand to direct you to where the meetings will be taking place. You will also be able to see some of your child's work. We kindly ask that you do not take your children's books away with you as they need them for their lessons.

School Values Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Values Awards for living our school values this week.

Y1 - Kabir

Y2 – James

Y3 – Lily Grace

Y5 - Dara

Y6T - Oliver

Y6A – Sofiia

Million Word Readers

Many congratulations this week to Aleksander J in Y6T who has read a million words, and to Daniel in Y5 who has read 5 million words. What a fantastic achievement!

Reading Cup

We are delighted to announce that the winner of the Reading Cup for the last half term is Y3. Congratulations to Mrs Sheridan and all the children in Y3. We would greatly encourage all pupils to complete the reading challenge for this half term and we look forward to announcing the next winning class.

Upcoming Dates

Monday 7th November - Reception Phonics Workshop 9:00am to 9:45am

Monday 7th November - Y6 WW2 Dance workshop and Evacuee Day

Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th November – Parent Consultation Evenings

Wednesday 9th November - Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 10th November at 9:10am – Y6T Class Assembly. All parents invited to attend.

Friday 11th November at 3:30 to 4:00pm – Infant Choir performing at Greville House Care Home (next door to school).

Have a lovely weekend,

Jane Hines