



## St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

### ***Weekly Update*** from Jane Hines, Headteacher **2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021**

Dear Parents & Carers,

On Tuesday, it was the feast day of Saint Peter & Saint Paul. On this Holy Day of Obligation, children participated in a Mass by Zoom with St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. Our Y4 children prepared the bidding prayers and our schola choir sang during Communion.

Today, we are celebrating our school patron saint, ahead of St Elizabeth's Feast Day which is on 4th July. The whole school attended the parish Mass at St Elizabeth's this morning with Fr Stephen.

Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in drama workshops exploring the characters, plot and language of Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night' with actors from the Orange Tree Theatre. The classes then had the opportunity to watch the actors perform the play and were able to use their experience of the workshop to understand the language and themes.

On Tuesday, our Reception children had a fantastic day at Bocketts Farm as part of their topic on animals this term – and especially enjoyed the ride on a tractor!

On Wednesday, our KS2 children participated in Online Safety workshops in school with Mr Peter Cowley, online safety adviser for Achieving for Children. These sessions are so valuable for the children with key takeaways that are age appropriate and that will help them to keep safe online.

Thank you to the parents who were able to join the virtual Online Safety Parent Session that evening. Mr Cowley shared up to date knowledge of what children access online, and gave practical and useful advice to parents. We will be able to share the presentation that Mr Cowley delivered at his session and this will be sent to parents shortly.

#### **Million Word Readers**

Congratulations to Emily and George in Y5T for becoming a Million Word Reader and to Amelia in Y5D and Madeleine in Y4B for becoming a Five Million Word Reader! Well done to you all.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines