



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School
'Love one another as I have loved you'

Weekly Update – Friday 1st May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another beautiful, sunny week at school!

This week in school

Easter Project Exhibition



Well done to the children whose Easter projects were on display in the Easter Project Exhibition this week. We were so impressed by the creative ways that the Easter story had been interpreted and the range of crafts on display.

Y3 Celebration of the Word assembly



Yesterday our Y3 children led our Celebration of the Word. They shared how Easter is celebrated around the world and they explored how the disciples spread the Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

Sports Update from Mr Sagar and Mrs Knowles



This week, we enjoyed our first summer sports fixture. The Y5 and Y6 tennis team competed in the borough tournament at the Bank of England Sports Centre, which will be the venue for the Wimbledon qualifying tournament in a few weeks. The team played four matches against other schools showcasing their excellent shots, tactical awareness and enjoyment of the sport. St Elizabeth's finished 5th and were fantastic ambassadors for the school - well done to all! Thank you to our parent supporters for helping with transport for this event.

Sports Committee Assembly



On Tuesday, our Sports Committee led an assembly celebrating the sporting successes of our school teams, introducing the Mini Marathon and showcasing one of our play time activities. This year, sporting highlights included three of our league teams qualifying for the borough play offs, and the swimming squad winning medals and

a small schools shield. Congratulations to everyone who has represented the school this year in a sport! The Sports Committee demonstrated one of our playground suitcase activities, managing to squeeze a small game of tennis on the stage! Next week, to celebrate the London Marathon, the committee will be managing the School Mini Marathon, where all children will be encouraged to run a distance during their break times. <https://letsdothis.com/share/69f46dcebc7f189a455852ee>
Thank you, Sports Committee!

Deacon Quentin and Seminarists Visit

We were delighted to welcome Deacon Quentin from St Elizabeth's Parish into school this week with his fellow seminarists. They spoke to our KS2 classes about their vocation, when they felt the call to priesthood and their training. The seminarists really enjoyed speaking to the children and couldn't resist a game of football on the invitation of our Y6 pupils!



Bo, the school dog

Bo was in school again today. She enjoyed meeting all the KS1 children as they came in from playtime and she also enjoyed some time with a small group of children.

Next Week

May, the Month of Mary – Marian Procession

May is the month of Mary and we will be honouring Mary on Wednesday 6th May. Our Y6 children will be leading a Celebration of the Word in each class and then we will all gather together for a procession to our Mary Garden where we will crown Mary with flowers. Parents are welcome to join us for the procession from 10:45 to 11:15am. We also ask children to bring some flowers into school on Wednesday to lay at the statue of Mary.



At 2:30pm parents are invited to come together to pray the Rosary in our School Chapel with a group of our Y6 Pupil Chaplains. If you would like to attend this or the Mary Procession, please complete this Google Form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gYb_bjy_9kWifpO_kOI-lu9air8bvd1Wu5MWJHUDw/edi

PTA Cyclists Bike Ride to Roubaix – Friday 8th May

There is only one week to go until the cyclists set off on their ride to Roubaix! The cyclists will be leaving in two waves on Friday 8th May, at 7:45am and at 8:45am and parents and children are invited to cheer off each of the groups from the school astro-pitch.



Please do show your support by sponsoring our intrepid cyclists. Any donation, big or small, will be gratefully received and will go directly towards providing resources for all our children in school. Please make your donation via the JustGiving webpage:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/richmondtoroubaix2026>

Upcoming Dates

A message from the PTA

ST ELIZABETH'S MAY FAIR 2026 - SUNDAY 17th May 12-4pm

As this exciting event draws near, we have a few important reminders:

May Fair Online Brochure Design Competition

Get creative this bank holiday weekend!! If your child would like to enter, please ask them to create their design on A4 portrait paper and return it to the school office by **Tuesday 5th May**.

Please make sure your child's name and class are written on the back of the design (or on the envelope it is submitted in), and mark it for the attention of the May Fair Committee.

The winning designer will receive a £20 Amazon voucher, to be presented at the May Fair.

Donations for Toys, Games and Books needed

Please have a little look round the house this weekend to see if you have any toys or books in excellent condition suitable for children aged 4-12 years. Please bring any donations to the school office.

Volunteering!

There are many opportunities to volunteer your help at the May Fair, so please do sign up to your year group's stall rota and please get in touch with your class rep if you're able to offer assistance in other ways.



Many thanks for your support

PTA May Fair Committee

Information for parents

School Polo Shirt

The new polo shirts will be arriving soon and they will be available from Dolphin House – we will advise you when they are in stock. The polo shirts are not compulsory and children will be able to wear the polo shirt, the open necked cotton shirt or continue to wear a shirt with a tie in summer. All children will return to full winter uniform with a tie after the half-term break in October.

Upcoming Dates

MAY

4 th	Bank Holiday	School closed
6 th	10:45 - 11:15 a.m.	Marian May Procession – parents welcome
7 th	a.m.	Mary's Meals Assembly- children only
8 th	7:45 a.m.	PTA Sponsored Cycle to Lille – first wave of cyclists send off
	8:45 a.m.	Second wave of cyclists send off
11 th – 14 th	a.m.	Y6 National Curriculum Test Week (SATs)
13 th	3:30 p.m.	Piano concert in the school hall
14 th	2 p.m.	Ascension Day Mass prepared by Y5
15 th	All day	Non-Uniform Day (<i>Children may wear their own clothes for a donation of a bottle for the May Fair</i>)
17 th	12:00 – 4:00 p.m.	PTA May Fair
18 th – 22 nd	All week	Walk to School Week
18 th – 22 nd	All week	Catholic Social Teaching Week in school – theme of Dignity of the Worker
19 th	a.m.	KS2 Choir to the Primary Singing Festival at the Rose Theatre
20 th - 22 nd		Y6 School residential visit to PGL Osmington Bay, Dorset
20 th	a.m.	Y2, Y1 & Reception Workshop (National Year of Reading)
21 st	9:10 a.m.	Y4 Class Celebration of the Word Assembly
21 st	All day	Y2 Great Fire of London Day including a workshop from Freshwater Theatre

Half-Term Monday 25th May - Monday 1st June Half-Term

Awards this week

Values Awards

Congratulations to the following children for living our values this week.

Reception: Nico

Y1: Archie and Marnie

Y2: Ines and Sara

Y3: Toni and Alan

Y4: Elise

Y5: Hugo

Y6: Alice and Benjamin



Million Word Reader

Congratulations to Venetia in Y3, Harry in Y4 and Freya in Y5 for becoming Millionaire Readers.

Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to Y1 for having the highest attendance this week at 100%! This is closely followed by Y2 with 98.3%. Congratulations too, to Y4 for having the best punctuality with no lates!

Have a lovely long weekend. We look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 5th May.

Jane Hines and the staff of St Elizabeth's