



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

Weekly Update – Friday 23rd January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The rain this week hasn't dampened our spirits and we have had another great week in school.

This week in school

Scooter Training

The Richmond Safety Team were in school yesterday teaching our Y2 children how to scoot safely. They learnt how to control the scooter, be aware of pedestrians and most importantly how to stop at junctions. Thank you to the team for making these really important sessions so much fun!



Piano Concert

Well done to the children who are performing at this afternoon's piano concert. It is always quite amazing to see the talent on show and also lovely to encourage those who are new to learning the piano. Thank you to Mrs FitzGerald for arranging this concert.

Eco-Warriors Assembly

This morning our Eco-Warriors led our assembly on recycling. They showed the rest of the school how and why we should use our recycling bins. They also introduced the 'Big Plastic Count' which is a national survey of plastic waste which the school will be taking part in later this term. The Eco-Warriors take their role very seriously and are great role models for the school, litter picking and promoting environmental awareness.



Sports update from Mr Sagar and Mrs Knowles

This week, St Elizabeth's played two netball fixtures. On Monday, the team travelled to Kings School in Kew and on Tuesday we hosted Darell School. Both games were closely contested and played in excellent spirit. Against King's School, despite creating more scoring chances and an exciting fight back in the final stages of the game, we lost 5-4. Alianna was voted player of the match for her excellent defence. The game against Darell School finished with St Elizabeth's scoring the winning goal with the last touch of the match - a fine demonstration of the school value of perseverance! The opposition voted Jack player of the match for scoring the crucial goal. Well done to all the players!

Sports Assembly



The Sports Committee led an assembly this week. Sharing their passion for sport with the school, they talked about their favourite sports, sporting role models and the work they have been doing around the school to promote and improve sporting activity. Many of the committee have written to their role models inviting them to school to help inspire the next generation. Maxim invited Reece James, the Chelsea footballer. Although he wasn't able to visit us, he sent the school a message encouraging us to work hard both in the classroom and in our sporting activities - great advice for all our children!

Next week in school

Sayers Croft Meeting for Y5 parents

On Tuesday 27th January at 9 a.m. there will be a meeting for Y5 parents to hear about the children's residential visit to Sayers Croft taking place in March. The meeting will last around 45 minutes and will be in the Food Technology Room. We look forward to seeing you there.

Wednesday Word

The fortnightly RE and Catholic Life newsletter will be emailed next week. In the meantime, here is this week's Wednesday Word which focuses on this Sunday's Gospel.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>



Information for Parents

Upcoming Y6 PTA Event – Friday 6th February

Y6 Presents: **Wild West Line Dancing!** – all welcome

Yee-haw! Saddle up for a boot-stompin', toe-tappin', knee-slappin' good time!

On 6th February, the school hall is turning into the Wild West for an unforgettable Y6 fundraising hoedown. Never line danced before? No problem, partner! No experience needed, just bring your biggest smiles and get ready to learn some awesome dances, show off your moves, and laugh your way through the night.

Dress to impress! Cowboys, cowgirls, and all Western styles welcome, best dressed wins a prize.

Food available on the night to keep you fuelled for all that dancing!

So grab your hat, dust off your boots, and mosey on down to support our Y6 class. It's going to be a rootin'-tootin', rip-roarin' blast you won't want to miss!

Book your tickets and order your food now via <https://st-elizabeth-s-school-richmond-pta.sumupstore.com>



Mental Health Webinars

The Mental Health Support Team, which supports children in Richmond schools, is running a series of webinars for parents. The themes of the sessions are: friendship issues, challenging behaviour, screen-time issues, self-esteem and transition to secondary. The sessions come highly recommended and are open to all parents and carers. Follow this link to find out more:

[2025/26 - Helping children series flier.docx - Google Docs](#)

Easyfundraising

Have you downloaded the easyfundraising app yet? If not, please do consider doing this as this is a completely free way for the school to raise money while you spend. The range of online shops is huge and includes travel companies and supermarkets who will all give a percentage of your spend to the school. Encourage your friends and family to download the app too! [Fundraising App | Easyfundraising](#)



Upcoming dates

JANUARY

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| 27 th | 9:00 a.m. | Y5 Sayers Croft Parents' Meeting |
| 29 th | 9:10 a.m. | Y1 Class Assembly – parents invited |

FEBRUARY

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| 3 rd | 10:00 a.m. | National Storytelling Week: Y1 and Y2 online workshop |
| 4 th | 2:00 p.m. | Mass for Candlemas |
| 5 th | 10:30 a.m. | Y6 & Y5 last swimming session |
| 5 th | | Y5 Space workshop with Explorer Dome |
| | | Y4 Sound workshop with Explorer Dome |
| | | Y6 Light workshop with Explorer Dome |
| | | Rec Space workshop with Explorer Dome |
| 5 th | 6:00 p.m. | Vocal Concert in school hall (revised date) |
| 6 th | 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | Y6 PTA Line Dancing evening |
| 9 th | All week | Children's Mental Health Week |
| 9 th | All week a.m. | Y6 Cycling Proficiency |
| 11 th | 9:10 a.m. | Y2 assembly – parents invited |
| 12 th | 9:15 a.m. | Reception Class Concert – parents invited |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Orchestra & Instrumental Concert |
| 13 th | 9:15 a.m. | Y2 Class Concert – parents invited |
| 13 th | 9:00 a.m. | Parents' Coffee Morning – all parents invited |

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Please note that school returns on Tuesday 24th January.

Awards this week

Million Word Readers

Congratulations to Dominik in Y3, Alfie in Y4 and Mary in Y4 for reading an amazing one million words.

Congratulations too, to Naia in Y5 for reading an incredible five million words. Well done to everyone and keep reading!

School Values Awards

Congratulations to the following children for receiving a Values Award this week:

Reception - George and Alyssa

Y1 – William

Y2 - Victoria

Y3 - Alexander

Y4 - Keon

Y5 - Clodagh

Y6 - Hugo



Attendance and punctuality this week

Congratulations to Y1 and Y5 for having the highest attendance rate at 100% this week.

Well done for Y3 for having the best punctuality this week, closely followed by Reception and Y2.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Jane Hines and the staff of St Elizabeth's