



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Update from Jane Hines, Headteacher **22nd October 2021**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We sent a ParentMail yesterday with an update of COVID-19 cases in school. In the event that your child is identified by school as a possible close contact, you will receive a ParentMail with guidance from Public Health England on the action you will need to take.

As COVID-19 cases rise, we strongly encourage that children undertake a lateral flow test twice a week. If your child does a rapid lateral flow test at home and the result is positive, the guidance for your child is to self-isolate straight away and for you to arrange a PCR test (a test that is sent to a lab) to confirm the result. Your child must continue to self-isolate until the result is received.

If your child develops ANY of the three main symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange for your child to have a PCR test as soon as possible and they must not come in to school until they receive a negative test result.

Thank you for your co-operation with government guidance.

This Week

Thank you to Y6T who led a brilliant assembly on 'Black History Month' today. In their assembly, Y6T shared examples of inspirational black people including Lewis Hamilton who is working to improve diversity within Formula 1 racing, motorsport and engineering.

The assembly will be posted on Y6T Google Classroom to be shared at home with Y6T families.

Sporting highlights this week!

Well done to our Y6 rugby players who played fantastically well at the Richmond F.C. tournament this week. St Elizabeth's won two of their games! How wonderful it is that children are playing competitive sport again.

After Half Term ...

Children will return to school wearing the full winter uniform which includes a white shirt with a collar and school tie. A tie must be worn every day.

Please ensure that your child has school shoes (not trainers) on the days that they wear school uniform.

No jewellery is permitted; children are not allowed to wear bracelets, necklaces or earrings. Children are allowed to wear a traditional watch but Smart watches are not allowed or watches that can take photos.

Children can wear a Fitbit as long as there is no other functionality on the Fitbit apart from a pedometer.

Parents' Meetings

Our Parents' Meetings are being held on Tuesday 2nd November and Thursday 4th November. If you have not yet booked your Parents' Meeting appointment by SchoolCloud, please make sure that you do so before 10:00 a.m. on Monday 1st November as the booking system will close after this time.

If you are unable to book an appointment, please contact the school office who will be happy to help. More often, it is simply the way a parent's name has been entered in the school system, or how Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss has been recorded, so that details do not exactly match.

Values Awards

This week, congratulations to our children who have received a 'Values Award'.

Well done to Pablo in Reception, Aodhan and Emilia in Y1, Beatrice in Y2, Alex in Y3, Emma in Y4, Lily in Y5BC, Madeleine in Y5D, Azra and Nehir in Y6A and Adam in Y6T for receiving a Values Award this week.

Y6 Governors' Awards

Congratulations to Aoife, Matthew, Laura, Logan and Martin in Y6A and Gisele, Allegra, Daniel, Lily, Jake, Maya and Lorcan in Y6T who have already achieved their Bronze Governors' Award. Our Governors' Awards rewards our Y6 pupils for acts of service, developing new skills and independence as we prepare our children in Y6 for secondary school.

We return to school for the second half of the Autumn Term on Monday 1st November.

Wishing you and your family a lovely half term break.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines