



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

***Weekly Update* from Jane Hines, Headteacher** **5th November 2021**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope that you found the Parents' Meetings this week useful, and that they provided you with a good opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher and find out about your child's progress this term.

We are talking about COP26 in school ..

We have had a whole school focus on COP26 this week in assembly and we are exploring ways in which we can take action on climate change in school and at home. Our School Council will be sharing these with children and parents shortly, and will be responsible for encouraging us all to put some of these initiatives in action. On Monday next week, your child will receive a COP26 prayer card in their reading packets which has been produced by CAFOD. The card includes a special prayer that you may like to say at home with your child(ren) and family.

Also in assembly this week, Mrs Diver spoke to the children about All Saints Day on Monday, and in assembly today pupils learnt about the Hindu festival of Diwali which took place yesterday.

If you would like to learn more about COP26 and Diwali with your child at home, we would recommend the following web pages:

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/science/nature/what-is-cop26-glasgow/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/51372486>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15451833>

Next week ..

Y6A will lead us in assembly on Thursday next week, 11th November, for Remembrance. On Friday 12th November at 10:00 a.m., there will be Mass in school to celebrate the Year of St Joseph. with Fr Stephen. Thank you to Y5BC for preparing this for us.

We have reviewed our current procedures and how we can invite parents back into school safely for acts of worship.

At the current time, we are able to invite parents into school to watch their child's class assembly. Parents will be asked to wear a mask when they are in the school building, and we ask only one parent per child to attend. Parents will be asked to wait outside until we have the children seated in the hall. We look forward to seeing Y6A parents on Thursday next week.

Please may we remind parents that during assembly mobile phones must be silent, no photography or filming is allowed and food or drink is not permitted. As our assemblies are acts of worship, we ask parents to help us to maintain a prayerful atmosphere during assemblies by remaining silent and not clapping.

At this time, unfortunately, we are not able to invite parents to Masses in school but we look forward to welcoming parents to Mass in the near future.

And please do come along to *Bingo Night* on Thursday 11th November - we look forward to seeing you there! (Please see Bingo Night ParentMails).

Values Awards

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

Well done to Margaux in Reception, Albert in Y1, Audrey in Y2, Sam in Y3, Lorenzo in Y4, Elena in Y5BC, Nyore in Y5D, Nosike in Y6A and Jake in Y6T for receiving a Values Award this week.

Million Word Readers

Many congratulations to Giselle in Y5D and Nosike in Y6A for becoming a 1 Million Word Reader. Well done!

Finally, good luck to our Girls Football team on Monday as they are playing a league game against The Vineyard!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines