



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

***Weekly Update* from Jane Hines, Headteacher** **16th September 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have welcomed our new Reception pupils to St Elizabeth's. We are delighted with the way they have settled so quickly into the school and we are looking forward to getting to know both the children and their families over the coming weeks.

We held the first of our Class Information Sessions this week and we shared secondary school transfer information with our Y6 parents. Y6 Parents, please be reminded that the secondary school application closing date is **31st October 2022**.

Sports News

Our new Y6 Sports Committee led an assembly this week and presented their Committee goals for this year. We look forward to hearing more from them soon.

On Tuesday this week, we welcomed Middlesex County Cricket Club to school who coached Y4, Y5 and Y6 children in their PE lessons. This was a fantastic opportunity to introduce cricket to the children.

Music News

Yesterday we held the first of our musical concerts where all children across the school who are learning to play the piano were invited to perform in front of their parents. This is the first of a large number of musical events that Mrs FitzGerald has got planned for this year, all with the aim of increasing the opportunities for children to perform and showcase their talents. They performed brilliantly!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 20th September Y1 Class Information Session

Thursday 22nd September Mass with Fr Peter led by Y6A

Friday 23rd September at 9 to 9:30am Talk by Richard Burke, Principal of St Richard Reynold's Catholic College, our Richmond Catholic secondary school. Parents in Y5 and Y6 invited to attend.

Monday 26th September Reception Class Information Session

Tuesday 27th September Y3 Class Information Session

Wednesday 28th September 6:30pm to 8:00pm - School Welcome Evening

All parents are invited to come and meet the staff and governors, visit the classes and hear about future areas of school development. The annual PTA AGM will also be included in the evening. We hope that you will be able to join us.

Information from our local parishes

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church invites you to join them for their Parish BBQ on Sunday 25th September at 12.30pm in the Church grounds. They are looking forward to coming together as a community. Tickets will be available after all Masses next weekend and on the day (£7.50 per person) and children under 5 are free. There will be a book stall and children's games too. It promises to be a fun family event and all are welcome! Poster attached.

Fr Tomasz, assistant priest at St Thomas Aquinas Church, will be celebrating a Polish Mass for the Polish community this weekend at 4.00pm on Sunday 18th September.

Values Awards

Congratulations to the children who have shown our School Values this week:

Y1 Kelly

Y2 Freya

Y3 Ines and Alice

Y4 Annabel

Y5 Zeynep

Y6A Theo

Y6T Samuel

Million Word Readers

Many congratulations to Beatrice in Y3 for becoming a 1 Million Word Reader, and to Dara in Y5 for becoming a 10 Million Word Reader. Well done to you both.

Summer Reading Challenge

If your child completed the "Gadgeteers" Summer Reading Challenge 2022, please could they pass their certificate to Mrs Briggs by Wednesday 21 September.

Punctuality

Well done to everyone for excellent punctuality this week. Being in school in plenty of time gives your child the best start to their day and means that they are ready to learn, a message which was shared with children in assembly today. We appreciate that parking can be difficult in the area and encourage parents to walk part or all of the way to school where possible.

Bank Holiday for HM Queen's Funeral

School will be closed on Monday for the state funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth II. As a school community, we will be praying for the Queen in our Mass which will take place on Thursday 22nd September. Parents are welcome to join us for this Mass.

Wishing you a good weekend.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines