



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

***Weekly Update* from Jane Hines, Headteacher** **9th September 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have made a fantastic start to the term and the classteachers are full of praise for the hard work and helpful attitudes they have shown in class this week. We have welcomed a number of children to St Elizabeth's this week and we hope that they will very soon feel part of our school community.

Queen Elizabeth II

Today in school we have been thinking about Queen Elizabeth II and in our assembly we prayed for the Queen, her family and King Charles. We talked about the wonderful role model the Queen has been over so many years and how fortunate we were to be able to show our appreciation to her during the Jubilee celebrations this summer. We focussed especially on the Queen's service to the UK and the Commonwealth, and as service is one of our school values, all of our awards this week have been given to children who have shown service to others.

Attendance and Punctuality

It has been fantastic to see the children arriving in school on time every day this week. Our register is taken at 9am in every class and lessons start at 9:05am. Therefore, if children arrive after 9am they miss essential learning and are at a disadvantage. We encourage children to come into school at 8:50am so that they are settled and in the right frame of mind for learning.

We would like to remind parents that if their child is absent they must call or email the school office by 8:45am on the first morning of absence.

Attendance at school and punctuality are closely monitored and we know that excellent attendance and being on-time everyday lead to the best outcomes. Please see the school website for more information about attendance.

Uniform

Please remember to check that every item of your child's school uniform is clearly labelled with their name. This way we can return any items of lost property. Water bottles should also be named.

We will be checking uniform on Monday so please make sure that children are wearing school shoes and the only jewellery permitted is a pair of gold stud ear-rings. No smart watches or other jewellery is allowed.

Calendar of Events

You will be receiving the termly calendar of events next week with details of educational visits, Masses, assemblies and concerts for all classes.

Class Information Sessions

Our Class Information Sessions begin next week and you have all been sent a ParentMail with the date and time for your child's class session. Class Information Sessions are a valuable opportunity for parents to meet the classteacher and learn about the curriculum, routines and events for each class.

Piano Concert

We are looking forward to our piano concert on Thursday 15th September at 3:30pm where children in years Y1-Y6 are invited to take part. Parents are welcome to attend and full details about how your child can participate can be found in Mrs FitzGerald's ParentMail.

School Welcome Evening - Wednesday 28th September

We are delighted to see the return of our School Welcome Evening which will take place on Wednesday 28th September. Parents in all classes are invited to come into school to meet the staff and governors and hear about our priorities for this year and share some of our successes from the previous academic year. Parents are welcome to have a walk around the school from 6:30pm to 7pm and there will be presentations in the hall from 7pm to 8pm.

Values Awards this week

Congratulation go to the children who have received the first Values Awards of the year:

Y1 Keon

Y2 Presley

Y3 Maxim

Y4 Angie

Y5 Lorenzo

Y6A Katherine

Y6T Annie

We wish you a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Jane Hines