



St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

***Weekly Update* from Jane Hines, Headteacher** **20th May 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was a fantastic week for new experiences and opportunities!

Both our Y5 classes have thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Sayers Croft this week. The children completed Geography field work studies, and had a full programme of team building and physical activities. Each year, Sayers Croft always provides an amazing outdoor learning opportunity for children, and it also helps build independence and confidence. Thank you to our Y5 team and school staff for taking the children on this school journey and enabling these type of visits to take place.

On Monday, our Y3 pupils visited the British Museum. Alicja said that she 'really enjoyed seeing the Egyptian Mummies in real life after learning about them in class'. On Tuesday, our Reception pupils had their first educational visit to Bocketts Farm; Georgy and Alfie were especially excited about seeing the pig race! On Wednesday our Y6 children had a fabulous day at the Globe Theatre; both classes took part in a workshop on 'Macbeth' with a Shakespearean actor, and had the opportunity to watch a rehearsal on stage! Today, our Y1 pupils visited Richmond Theatre to see a performance of 'The Tiger Who Came To Tea' .. opening up our children's eyes to the world of live theatre!

Some news on our Hatching Chicks! The children have been thrilled this week to see 7 chicks have hatched. They have been amazed to see how much the chicks grow in just a week.

In our assembly this week, our School Chaplains presented to the whole school a presentation that they had created on Mary and honouring Mary in the month of May. The Chaplains have decorated our Mary statue with roses and all pupils are invited to use our Mary grotto for outdoor prayer. Our Chaplains also showed us how Mary is represented in Art in different cultures around the world, including Mexico and Ethiopia.

Next Week

On Monday, both our Y5 classes are visiting the Sikh Temple as part of their study of other faiths.

On Thursday, our KS2 pupils (Y3 – Y6) will be going to Our Lady Queen of Peace for Ascension Mass. Our children will be leading the singing and readings. The Mass is a parish Mass and starts at 10:00 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend. Y3 and Y4 children will be collected from OLQP after Mass and will go straight to the swimming pool.

On Friday, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we will have a special assembly, flags in school and Jubilee activities in the classrooms. We will also be having a picnic lunch. For those children that have packed lunch from home, please send your child with a packed lunch in the usual way. Our catering company, Caterlink, will prepare a picnic lunch for those that have school meals.

At 3:00 p.m. our Y6 pupils will be holding a 'Cream Tea Sale' in the playground. The sale of the cream teas will raise funds for Y6 end of year activities so please do bring some change for some delicious cream tea treats!

Upcoming Dates

23rd May Y5 EV to Sikh Temple, Hounslow

26th May Ascension Day – Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace

27th May Jubilee Day Street party for children. 3:00 p.m. Cream Tea – parents welcome

Monday 6th June – all children return to school after half-term on Monday 6th June. At the beginning of the school year we had planned for a Staff Training Day (INSET Day) on Monday 6th June. This Staff Training Day was moved to the Spring term. Monday 6th June is a school day and pupils will return on this day. This was communicated by ParentMail in February.

School Security - Important Please Read

On Wednesday we sent home a very important ParentMail regarding School Security. In particular, the security arrangements for the Queen's Road gate and leaving school site as soon as your child has been collected after school or after a school club. Please make sure that all parents and carers that drop off or collect your child has read this essential message. Thank you for your co-operation.

Values Awards

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

Well done to Gael in Reception, Emilia and Simon in Y2, Lavinia in Y3, Nicola in Y4, Matteo in Y5D, Thomas in Y6A and Bruce in Y6T for receiving a Values Award this week.

Million Word Readers

Many congratulations to Grace in Y6T for becoming a 1 Million Word Reader. Well done!

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines