

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Update from Jane Hines, Headteacher 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our School Values assembly today we were joined by our parent cyclists before they set off on their 240km cycle to Amsterdam. During the assembly the children identified that the cyclists were great models of our school values of: service, courage, perseverance and friendship. They were especially excited to think how the money raised will be used to improve our school even further. Thank you to Monsignor Bill who gave a special blessing to our cyclists for their journey.

After, it was a proud moment on the astro pitch as the whole school waved and cheered our cyclists on their way. We cannot wait to hear when they reach their final destination!

Thank you sincerely for all those that are taking part – and to the friends and family who are supporting our cyclists behind the scenes. Thank you very much to those that have sponsored our cyclists – your donations are so appreciated. Any donation, big or small, is very gratefully received and goes directly towards their fundraising target.

If you wish to make a donation, please do so via the PTA Sponsored Cycle JustGiving webpage: <u>https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/cycletoamsterdam2022</u>

School May Fair This Sunday

We are very excited about our School May Fair this Sunday 15th May from 12pm-3pm. It promises to be a lot of fun with many activities and some delicious foods too! Thank you to the PTA and to all our parent helpers who have volunteered their time so generously to bring together such a fantastic day. Thank you also for the donations of bottles, toys, books, cakes and foods; we are so appreciative.

This Week

This week, it was National Curriculum Test Week for Y6 pupils and our pupils completed assessments in the areas of Reading, Spelling, Grammar and Maths. We are very proud of the way the children rose to this challenge this week - they were calm and focused and all tried their very best. Thank you to the Y6 staff team for preparing the children so well and also for providing the pre-SATs breakfast each morning which helped the children start the day in the best possible way.

Well done to our Y4 & Y5 Rounders team who played LEH Junior School for the second time. 13 children represented St Elizabeth's and played 2 full games – one of which was against Y6s. They were two very close games!

On Thursday, St Elizabeth's hosted a rehearsal for the Richmond Music Trust Singing Festival when the children practised for their performance in June. Already they sound fabulous!

Hatching Chicks!

As part of our Science curriculum, each year we arrange for Incredible Eggs to bring into school a hatching unit for pupils to see first-hand chicks hatching out of their eggs. This is a real life whole-school learning opportunity and such a positive experience. We are waiting for the first to hatch ... Watch this space!

Next Week - so many educational visits!

Our Y5 classes are getting ready for their school journey next week to Sayers Croft in the Surrey Hills. Sayers Croft provides an amazing outdoor learning opportunity for children, with activities including orienteering, shelter building and a river study, as well as physical and team building exercises. Our school has been visiting Sayers Croft, which served as a WW2 evacuation centre for London school children, for over 25 years and we are sure that the children will enjoy new experiences and adventures.

On Monday, our Y3 pupils are visiting the British Museum to take part in a workshop on Egyptian Mummies. On Tuesday, our Reception pupils are going on their first educational visit to Bocketts Farm, and on Wednesday our Y6 children will be visiting the Globe Theatre to participate in a workshop on 'Macbeth'. And to end the week, our Y1 pupils are visiting Richmond Theatre on Friday to see a performance of 'The Tiger Who Came To Tea'.

Upcoming Dates

16th -18th May Y5D School Journey: Sayers Croft

16th May Y3 EV to British Museum

17th May Reception EV to Bocketts Farm Park

18th – 20th May Y5BC School Journey: Sayers Croft

18th May Y6 EV to Globe Theatre 'Macbeth' workshop

20th May Y1 EV Richmond Theatre: 'The Tiger who came to tea'

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

Values Awards

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

Well done to Sophie in Reception, Sophie in Y1, Oliver in Y2, Alicja in Y3, Inigo in Y4, Elina in Y5D, Angelica in Y5BC, Allegra in Y6T and Soraya in Y6A for receiving a Values Award this week.

Discounted Tickets for London Irish v Worcester Warriors at 7:45pm - Tuesday 17th May

On Tuesday 17th May, London Irish will take on Worcester Warriors in the Premiership Cup Final at the Brentford Community Stadium, home of Brentford Football Club. London Irish is happy to extend a 25% discount to all who wish to attend this final (code FINAL25 when redeemed at the checkout page). Adult tickets - £11.25. Child ticket - £3.75 using code.

Visit https://www.eticketing.co.uk/londonirish/EDP/Event/Index/59

- Select the number of tickets required in the North Stand. If you wish to purchase the group package of 3, please select the red banner at the top. Tickets will automatically be added to the basket top right-hand corner.
- Enter promotional code FINAL25 and the amount will reduce by 25%. Click 'Proceed to checkout'.
- You are then prompted to log in, if you do not have an account, you can create one.
- Select 'credit / debit card' for payment and enter card details.
- Select Print@home / digital ticket delivery. Your tickets will be issued via email.
- Any issues, please email <u>ticketing@london-irish.com</u>

Wishing you a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Kind regards,

Jane Hines