

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Update from Jane Hines, Headteacher 22nd April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed a restful and peaceful Easter break. The children have returned to school with energy and enthusiasm and we are looking forward to a fantastic Summer Term. We are currently finalising the bookings of education visits for this term and details of these will be shared shortly, together with dates for our school events. We are especially looking forward to our May Fair on Sunday 15th May!

Thank you for ensuring that the children have returned to school smartly dressed in their Summer uniform. As the weather becomes warm in the months ahead, all children will be encouraged to wear a sun hat when they are outside on sunny days. These are available to purchase from the school office at £6. There is a sun hat for KS1 children (Legionnaire cap to protect the back of the neck) and a sun hat for KS2 children without the legionnaire style.

This Week

This week in classes and assemblies we have been focussing on Easter and sharing the hope and joy that Jesus' resurrection brings. We will continue to celebrate the Easter season with a child-led liturgy next Thursday. In assembly today we were delighted to have three of our Y6 pupils share a presentation they had created about National Children's Day in Turkey. What a great way to show each other that we are all part of a wider global community. Thank you to Nehir, Azra and Yigit for presenting this so well in assembly.

On Monday, we look forward to celebrating St George in assembly following St George's Day this weekend.

Summer Term Topics

Each class has started their new topic for the Summer Term this week. We will shortly be sharing information with parents about what their child is learning this term, and we also encourage parents to visit their child's class page on the school website which includes year group Subject Knowledge Organisers.

Dates for Next Week

Monday 25th April Y4 Educational Workshop 'The Quest for Volcanoes and Earthquakes' (this replaces the 'Rivers and Water' educational workshop that did not take place last term).

Wednesday 27th April 9:00 a.m. Y6 Parents' Meeting: Isle of Wight School Journey (This meeting will last approximately 45 minutes and will also include information about the upcoming National Curriculum Tests/SATS)

Friday 29th April Staff Training Day - pupils will not come into school on this day. This is a joint INSET day with Catholic primary schools in Richmond borough. NSSport will be holding their holiday club if you require childcare.

Monday 2nd May Public Bank Holiday in UK - pupils will not come into school on this day.

PTA Quiz Night!

We are so happy to see a return of the PTA Quiz Night next Thursday, 28th April, at 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 pm. Food will be available on the night and an order form has been sent by ParentMail. It promises to be a fun night and there is even a round of questions set by the children! Our own staff have a team themselves and are ready! Do come along and have a great night! If you would like to take part but do not have a whole team, please contact your class rep. We look forward to seeing you there.

Reading Cup

We are delighted to announce that the winner of the Reading Cup for the last half term is Y6T. Congratulations to Miss Thomas and all the children in Y6T. Well done to everyone in the whole school who completed the challenge. We would greatly encourage all pupils to complete the challenge for this half term and we look forward to announcing the next winning class.

Values Awards

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

Well done to Elise in Reception, Charles in Y1, Ola in Y2, Beatrice in Y3, Daniel in Y4, Alessandro in Y5BC, Ciaran in Y5D, Gian in Y6A and Vihaan in Y6T for receiving a Values Award this week.

Million Word Readers

Many congratulations to Toby in Y3 for becoming a 1 Million Word Reader. And a very special congratulations to Arthur in Y5BC and Madeleine in Y5D for reading an amazing 10 Million Words! Well done for this achievement.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jane Hines