



NEWSLETTER



Mrs Michelle Walsh – Headteacher

14th July 2023

We have had a very busy and enjoyable few weeks in school. Today you will receive your child's annual report, we hope that it provides you with an insight into your child's progress this academic year and provides you with some targets for their forthcoming class.

At the end of term, we say goodbye and thank you to Mr Lane who has taught many of our classes this year, we wish him luck for the future. We also send our love and best wishes to Miss Gray who will begin her maternity leave in September. We look forward to meeting your new arrival in the Autumn term. We are delighted that Mrs Caveen will remain at St Elizabeth's.

Stars of the week:

Pre-school - Finley & Cece

Reception - Ifunanya & Kylo

Year 1 - Ernie & Olly

Year 2 - Hei Lok, Ryleigh & Bradley

Year 3 - Olivia, Rachael & Alfie

Year 4 - Dolly & Logan

Year 5 - Nerissa & Oliver

Year 6 - All of Year 6

Lunchtime stars - Kylo, Feliks, Albie, Alice, Dolly, Jenson & Marco OOHC - Nyah

Upcoming dates:

17th July 23 - Y6 Leaver's production 6pm

19th July 23 - Early years beach party 1.45pm

20th July 23 - Summer activity day

21st July 23 - Y6 Leavers' Mass 9.15am

21st July 23 - School closes for Summer break

4th Sept 23 - School closed INSET day

5th Sept 23 - School open for Autumn term

Swimming lessons:

We have completed our first week of swimming lessons in our pop-up pool. Feedback from the children and staff has been extremely positive. Children are benefitting from bespoke teaching from our coach Monica. If your child has not swam yet this week, they will be timetabled to swim next week. We look forward to another successful week!

Children must remember their costume/trunks, underwear and to bring a large enough towel to dry themselves with, as well as a pair of sliders/crocs or flip flops to wear to the pool. Thank you for your support.

FRIENDS of St Elizabeth's events:

We have been so lucky as a school to have a number of events run by the Friends of St Elizabeth's. This week all the children enjoyed a disco during the school day which raised £212. The Summer fayre was a brilliant day for all those who attended and an amazing £2150 was raised. Thank you to all the Friends who give up their own time to support the school community. Your commitment and dedication to supporting our school enrichment activities is very much appreciated.

A special mention to a group of our Y6 pupils who ran their own stall to raise money to purchase a rose bush, friendship stop and plant pots in memory of their friend Julie. They raised an amazing £138 - we are very proud of you all.

Social media: St Elizabeth's now has its own Twitter feed. Follow us @elizabeths_cp to keep up to date with news and other information. In addition, please also join our Friends facebook page by searching for the 'Friends of St Elizabeth's' on facebook as school info will also go on this page.

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Music concert:

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the excellent music concert that happened this week. It was enjoyed by performers and the audience and celebrated our school's music curriculum. Thank you to Mrs Kessler, our music leader and everyone else who contributed.

**Memorial bench:**

You may have noticed that a new bench has arrived on our playground with some roses. These are in memory of Julie Martin. I would like to thank Mr Hulland (Miss Hussey's partner) for providing the bench and our Y6 pupils who raised money at the Summer fayre for the project. It is a fitting tribute to a pupil who is greatly missed.

Wheelchair basketball:

Our children have had a great experience this week playing wheelchair basketball. It was lovely to see the children gaining an insight into a different sport that they have never tried before whilst also gaining a deeper understanding of diversity. Well done everyone.

Pope Francis says:

"Education does not consist in filling heads with ideas, but in accompanying and encouraging students on a journey of human and spiritual growth, showing them how friendship with the Risen Jesus enlarges the heart and makes life more human."

**Prayer:**

Lord, whether I leave behind a year of joy or of trials and difficulties, I pause to give thanks. Thank you for being with me every day of every year. Thank you for making all things new and for giving me the grace of fresh starts and new beginnings.

Amen