

# St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

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**Virtue & Value Focus:** **Intentional** and **Prophetic**—**Intentional** in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and **prophetic** in the example they set to others.

**This weeks school attendance: 93.7% School target attendance 97%**

**This weeks winning class is: Y6 98.6%**

**Rec: 98.2% Year 1: 89.3% Year 2: 95% Year 3: 97.4% Year 4: 89.6% Year 5: 95.5% Year 6: 98.6%**

## School Times

Following consultation, we are amending of school opening and closing time.

Our school gates will continue to open at 8.40am every morning but our school gates will close at 8.50am. Children that are late to school after this time will require an adult to 'sign in' on our electronic register outside the school main office.

Our end of school day finish time will be 3.20pm.

These time changes will allow our school staff to maximise our children's education.

## End of year thank you!

An enormous thank you to all of our, parents, carers and family members for your continued support of your child and our school this year. We have had a very successful year with our children growing and learning as children of God in so many ways. We have also delivered a full sacramental programme for our Year 3 and Year 6 children who received Reconciliation, their First Holy Communion and Confirmation respectively. Our academic results have been impressive once again with our Year 6 children performing very well in their end of key stage 2 SAT assessments. Our children have enjoyed a wide variety of trips, visitors and experiences throughout the year, including two residential trips to Alton Castle in Staffordshire and Dol—y—Moch in Wales. The building of our new library extension has been an enormous development for our school and will help to develop our children's English and love of reading for many years to come.

Central to all of our successes have been the faith driven relationships which lie at the heart of our school. I must say thank you to our dedicated staff team of cleaners, office staff, teaching assistants, teachers, our site supervisor and kitchen and dining staff who give so much for our children every day. Thank you very much also to our school Governors, who work so hard for our school. Together, we are blessed to have such a wonderful school team and partnership with you at home.

We wish you a very happy, safe and restful school holiday and look forward to opening our school doors at 8.40am on Tuesday 5th September and expect every child in school when gates close promptly at our new gate closure time of 8.50am.

Wednesday Word for this week is.... **Growing**  
Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for the people who help  
us to **grow** in your love and please help us to  
keep **growing** in goodness. Amen.



### Attendance Focus

Our children have been organised into 'Saint Houses' for next year and each week we will celebrate which saint group has had the highest attendance of the week. The winning house group for each half term will receive a small reward e.g additional playtime, extra library time.

This attendance focus will be part of a very significant drive from school to ensure our children's overall school attendance improves. From September, we will be increasing our support and challenge of our children's attendance and we will support families with weekly meetings in school if their child's attendance is becoming a concern. From our first day of term next year, please ensure **you** help us to get your child into school **every** day.

House winners for 2023:

1st—St. Bernadette—94.71%      2nd—St. Therese—94.43%

3rd—St. John the Baptist—93.71%      4th—St. Francis—93.69%

Our school attendance target next year will be 96% so every house group will need to improve attendance.



### Library Volunteer

We will require a library volunteer for our new library for half a day a week from September, if you are interested please see myself, Mrs. Miles or Mrs. Basson.

### Golden Certificates for this week

Nursery: Whole Class      Reception: Janojan & Reyan

Year 1: Whole Class      Year 2: Whole Class

Year 3: Whole Class      Year 4: Isabelle, Precious & Alysha

Year 5: Whole Class      Year 6: Ethan & Nathan

Mr Doyle: Roshmina & Michael Y2      Mrs Miles: Chinedu

### After School Clubs

There will be no after school clubs the first week back after the summer holidays.



### Diary Dates: July 2023

**21st**—Last day of term

**Tuesday 5th September**—  
pupils return to school 8.40am