

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

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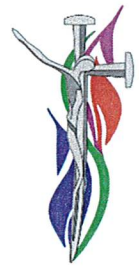
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Virtue & Value Focus: **Intentional** and **Prophetic**— **Intentional** in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and **prophetic** in the example they set to others.

This weeks school attendance: 95.1% School target attendance 97% This weeks winning class is: Y3 99.2%
Rec: 86% Year 1: 86.7% Year 2: 94.5% Year 3: 99.2% Year 4: 95.3% Year 5: 97.4% Year 6: 96.7%

Safeguarding Concern

We have been concerned by parents/carers dropping off children from vehicles in the road rather than properly parked vehicles. This is a very clear danger to our children. Please do not allow a child to exit a vehicle in the road. Whilst we understand parking is a continuing difficulty around school and in Foleshill, it is crucial our children are kept safe. Also, please understand that school staff **will not** release any child to a parent/family member who has parked in the road. We cannot encourage or condone parking on St. Elizabeth's Road or Princess Street, and our local West Midlands police officers support our 'children first' decision.
Please take the time to park up and walk to pick up your child safely.

National Holocaust Centre

On Tuesday, Year 6 had a very special visit from a representative from the National Holocaust Centre. The visit focused upon developing our children's understanding of the terrible plight of refugee Jewish children in the 1930's. Our children approached this session with great maturity and empathy and gained an enormous amount from the visit. Special thanks to the National Holocaust Centre.

Advent Charity Appeal 2024—Starting Monday 2nd December

This Advent, we are taking part in a 'Reverse Advent Calendar' for Father Hudson's Caritas. Throughout Advent, every child, young person and member of staff in a Catholic school in the Archdiocese of Birmingham is invited to show their love and support for those in need by contributing at least one item to the diocesan Reverse Advent Calendar.

So, we are collecting toiletries which will be donated to Father Hudson's Caritas to support people living on the streets or those arriving new to the country as asylum seekers or refugees.

Father Hudson's Caritas is desperately in need of the following items:

deodorant, body wash, sanitary products, toothpaste & toothbrushes or any other hygiene products you would like to donate.

Please add an item to your shop during Advent and add it to your child's class Reverse Advent Calendar box which will be in class from Monday 2nd December. Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity!

"Never tire of working for a more just world, marked by greater solidarity." Pope Francis.

Please ensure all donations are in school by Friday 13th December, thank you!

First Week of Advent—A Time to Prepare!

This Sunday, we begin to celebrate the season of Advent; a time of waiting, a time of prayer a time of preparation. During this special season, as this weekends Gospel reminds us, we have no time to lose. We shouldn't put off good resolutions until new year. Now, Advent, is the time to change how we live.

So, let us all 'stay awake' and get ourselves ready to celebrate Christ's birth! Happy Advent!

Advent Club for parents/carers to support: Y4,5,6 Thursday 12th December,
Y1,2,3 Tuesday 17th December, after school till 4.15pm.



Wednesday Word for this week is... **Advent**

Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to get ready during Advent to welcome you with joy this Christmas, and when you come again in your glory.
Amen.



Be Internet Legends

On Tuesday, our children enjoyed an online assembly focused on 'be kind online' by the Be Internet Legends Team. Our consistent and regular online safety training and discussions help to support your child's management of the online challenges they may face. If you or your child have online concerns, please contact Mrs. Miles, Mrs Basson or Mr. Doyle.

Football Update

Two games in a week for our wonderful football team. Monday, Holy Family visited us in the Catholic Cup. Our team performed brilliantly against a school twice the size of St. Elizabeth's, narrowly losing 2-1. A great performance!
Thursday, our team played against St. Patrick's in the league. A wonderful game finally ended on a very cold evening, with a 3-2 win! A truly superb performance!
Well done to all of our team and Mr. Aston for his support of our football and school PE.



Christmas Diary Dates December:

Wednesday 4th—Y2 trip to watch Jack & the Beanstalk panto
Friday 6th—Sunday 8th—Y6 Residential trip to Alton Castle
Tuesday 10th—KS2 Jack & the Beanstalk Panto coming into school
Wednesday 11th—Rec, Y1 & Y2 Warwick Arts Centre
Thursday 12th— Whole school Christmas dinner day
Friday 13th— Christmas class party day & Christmas Jumper day
Tuesday 17th—Rec, Y1 & Y2 Nativity at 9.30am & 2.30pm
New—Wednesday 18th Non uniform day & Charity Focus Day
Thursday 19th—KS2 Christmas Carol Service at 2.15pm
Friday 20th—Break up for Christmas Holidays at 3.20pm



January 2025:

Monday 6th School closed for INSET day
Tuesday 7th—School re-opens for Spring term at 8.40am.

First Holy Communion Mass Reminder

Our Y3 First Holy Communicants, who are preparing to receive the Sacrament in June, are expected to attend mass this Sunday at 9.15am. At the mass, those children will receive their 'mass passports' to record their future mass visits. Full school uniform for mass please.

The Blessing of the Crib

The blessing of the Coventry Christmas Crib is this Sunday, the first Sunday of Advent, 1st December at 4.00pm. The crib is located at Broadgate, next to the Lady Godiva statue. All are very welcome for this short service which marks the start of our Advent preparations across the city and in our schools.

Golden Certificates for this week

Nursery: Sajiska & Sarbhjot
Reception: George & Vihana
Year 1: Ellie & Agam
Year 2: Janelle & Rohaan
Year 3: Jivan & Cyrus
Year 4: Bianca & Essa
Year 5: Meghan & Evans
Year 6: Aynan & Elizabeth
Mr Doyle: Precious & Teni Y6, Jeremie & Oluchukwu Y5
Mrs Miles: Harvey John Rec



Y4 Prayer Service—Change of date

Y4 have had to change their prayer service date from the 4th December to the **9th December**. Apologies for any disruption caused.



After School Clubs—3.15—4.15pm

Monday - Girls Football Y5/6
Tuesday - Netball Y5/6
Wednesday - Boys Football Y5/6
Thursday - Gymnastics Y4/5