

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

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Newsletter 15

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Virtue & Value Focus: Learned and Wise—Learned, finding God in all things; and wise in the ways they use their learning for the common good.

This weeks school attendance: 95.2% School target attendance 97% This weeks winning class is: Y3 99% Rec: 89.6% Year 1: 91.9% Year 2: 91.3% Year 3: 99% Year 4: 96.2% Year 5: 95.6% Year 6: 91.6%

Thank you! Happy Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Once again, we pass on an enormous thank you from our whole school staff team to everyone at home. Thank you for your continued support and partnership throughout this autumn term, a term from which we have so many things to celebrate and to be thankful for. Thank you to our fantastic staff team who continue to work so hard for our children; our school cleaners, kitchen staff, dinner support staff, office staff, teaching assistants, teachers, Mrs Basson our School Learning Mentor and our senior staff Mrs Miles & Mrs Clarke, who continue to work tirelessly to provide so much for our children - thank you team! Also, so often in the background, we also thank our school governors, led by Ann Harkin, and our Holy Cross MAC, led by Marina Kelly, who give so much time to support, challenge and guide our school's pathway and performance. Finally, thank you to Father Moses, Father Robert & Sister Joan, who continue to serve our school, parish and community. We now look forward to our Christmas break and enjoy our Christmas celebrations with family and friends. Have a happy and holy Christmas and a Happy New Year – we look forward to welcoming you and our children back to school at **8.40am on Monday 5th January 2026**. God bless Happy Christmas! Mr Doyle.



Nativity Congratulations

An enormous well done to our wonderful Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children for their multiple performances of their nativity play this week. The children sang beautifully throughout and shared their lines with such confidence! Everyone watching were perfectly reminded of the advent messages of preparation and waiting, whilst we also briefly jumped forward to Christmas and celebrated the amazing moment of "heaven and earth" with the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Emmanuel—God is with us!

This Sunday, we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent. We are reminded in Matthew's Gospel of how an angel appears to Joseph in a dream, telling him not to fear, that Mary has conceived of the Holy Spirit, that she would have a child and they will call him Jesus.

As we continue to journey through Advent, let us all aspire to be open to God's plan for us just as Joseph was.



Advent Carol Service

On Wednesday, our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children beautifully led our 'Lessons and Carols' in church. The readings and wonderfully sung carols, helped to refocus our attention on the true meaning of Christmas and our attention on preparing ourselves to celebrate the birth of Our Lord.

Thank you for a truly memorable service children!



Wednesday Word for this week is.... **Mary**
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God..... Amen.



Father Christmas Visit

We were all delighted to see an early visit from Father Christmas today! Our children received a special early gift in school and were reminded to 'be good' at this festive time of year.

Y4 Swimming Lessons

Our Year 4 children will start their swimming lessons at the AT7 centre after the Christmas holiday. The first lesson will be on **Wednesday 7th January** after lunch time. **The children will need to bring to school:**



- * **Appropriate swimming costume/trunks**
- * **Large towel (dry for each day)**
- * **Goggles (optional)**
- * **Named Bag**

Sports News

Our indoor Athletics Team travelled to the Xcel Centre and took part in the annual Coventry Primary Indoor Athletics Tournament. Our children performed wonderfully and finished in 3rd position. Well done to all of our children and special continued thanks to Mr. Aston and Mr. Garrately who provide so many fantastic sporting opportunities for our children to enjoy!
Well done team!

Diary Dates:

19th—Break up for Christmas holiday

Return back to School— Monday 5th January 2026

After School Clubs—3.15—4.15pm

Clubs will start week beginning **Monday 12th January 2026.**

Monday - Cricket Y3/4

Tuesday - No after school club

Wednesday - Boys Football Y5/6

Girls Football Y5/6

Thursday— Gymnastics Y3/4

Netball Y5/6

Children will be notified if they have got a place the first week back.



Golden Certificates for this week

Reception: Michael & Michelle

Year 1: Nanthika & Temi

Year 3: Harvin & Ezekiel S

Year 5: Whole Class

Year 2: Amalia & Diana

Year 4: Augusta & Isaiah

Year 6: Whole Class