

St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

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Spring 1 Virtue & Value Focus: Curious and Active - Curious about everything; and Active in their engagement with the world, changing what they can for the better.

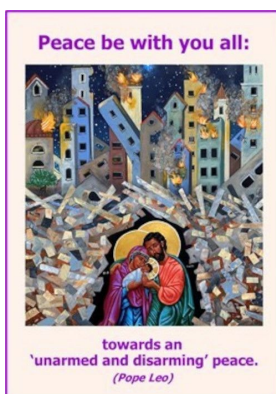
This weeks school attendance: 95.3% School target attendance 97% This weeks winning class is: Y5 99.3% Rec: 91.4% Year 1: 97.6% Year 2: 92.6% Year 3: 98% Year 4: 96.7% Year 5: 99.3% Year 6: 98.6%

International Cross of Nails Award

On Tuesday, we welcomed two representatives from Coventry Cathedral and our Chair of Governors, Ann Harkin, to a very special award assembly. The Cathedral representatives shared and supported our celebration of St. Elizabeth's being recognised as an **International Cross of Nails School (ICON)**. We received a beautiful piece of artwork, a cross made of nails similar to the first cross of nails created after the bombing of Coventry Cathedral in 1940, which we are proudly displaying in school. The ICON award recognises the work the school has done to promote peace and reconciliation, particularly fitting as we approach 'Peace Day' this Sunday. Please see class Dojo for photos.



Peace Day— "Peace be with you all: towards an 'unarmed and disarming' peace." Pope Leo



This Sunday, our Church focuses our attention on the importance of and working for peace in our world as we celebrate **Peace Day**.

Every parish is encouraged to reflect upon the message of Pope Leo XIV, which is:

Peace be with you all: towards an 'unarmed and disarming' peace.

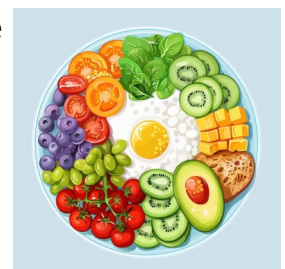
This is a challenging but exciting goal. Pope Leo tells us that peace should not rely on fear, threats, or weapons. Peace should have the capacity to resolve conflicts and open hearts through mutual understanding and hope.

Pope Leo has continued the exhortation of Pope Francis that the call to live non-violent 'disarmed' lives is core to Catholic Social Teaching and the key to peace in a world scarred by violent conflict. We pray for a cessation of conflicts and that political leaders will work towards a peaceful world for all humanity.

Packed Lunch Expectations

As you are aware, at St. Elizabeth's we pride ourselves as being a healthy eating school.

Please be reminded that, we urge all parents to provide healthy food options for packed lunches, for example, no crisps or chocolate/high sugar items, fried food; instead include healthy options such as brown rice/bread, salad items and low fat yoghurts. As a nation, and indeed as a school, we are seeing an increase of the impact of increasingly unhealthy diets and a reduction of child fitness and exercise. Providing healthier options and diets for all of our children will ensure they are prepared to engage fully in their school day, and they have the nutrients and vitamins to grow into healthy, active adults. Thank you for your support in this vital area of your child's health and well being.



Wednesday Word for this week is.... Witness

Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to be your witnesses by our love,
so that others will come to know the joy of knowing you. Amen.



Library Visits

We are planning Class visits to Foleshill Library over the next few weeks. Please keep your eye on Class Dojo for reminders of when to return public library books if your child has one.



Library visit dates.....

Monday 26th January—Y4 & Y6 Tuesday 27th January—Y1
Thursday 29th January—Y2 Friday 30th January—Y3 & Y5

Y5 School Mass

Please join us to celebrate mass next Thursday, 22nd January,
which will be led by Year 5. Please continue to pray for our Confirmandi who are
preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 29th January, 7.00pm,
conferred by Bishop Richard.



AT7 Free Basketball Sessions Y3/Y4

Every Monday from 4.00pm— 5.00pm AT7 are offering a FREE basketball session for any
Year 3 and Year 4 children from St. Elizabeth's school. **The dates are as follows:**

Monday 23rd Feb, 2nd March, 9th March, 16th March, 23rd March.

We will be attending a Y3/4 basketball tournament later in the term with children
who attend the after school AT7 sessions having priority.



Netball Match

This week our Netball Team took on St. Gregory's in a very tight game, the team
showed fantastic teamwork and resilience. We came away with a 3-1 win.

Well done team!!

Football Match

Our Girls Team were in action this week playing away against St. John Fisher.

The girls played brilliantly, equalising in the second half,
with a very close game finishing 1-1. Well done all!



Golden Certificates for this week

Nursery: Zohan & Arabella
Reception: Sarbhjot & Harry G
Year 1: Aayrah & Temi
Year 2: Nenni & Hezron
Year 3: Caeyla & Ibrahim
Year 4: Mustafa & Isabelle
Year 5: Bryant & Abdullah
Year 6: Alina & Surayah
Mr Doyle: Shayleigh Y5 & Amar Y6
Mrs Miles: Jayden O Y1

Diary Dates:

After School Clubs—3.15—4.15pm

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