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NEWSLETTER

Monday 12th September 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you've all had a great summer. It's been wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled back into school life. We extend a warm welcome to our new Reception children and parents, they have been incredible and seem so settled at school already. We hope that you will all be very happy here and enjoy being part of the St Elizabeth's family! I would also like to extend a big welcome to Vincent, Sebastian and Ava who have joined us from other schools.

New Learning Ahead

Teachers will be sending you a class newsletter detailing your children's learning for the term and their classroom routines e.g. PE days etc. Should these 'go astray', these newsletters will also appear in the 'Class pages' section of our website.

Meet the Teacher Evening – Wednesday 21st September

On Wednesday 21st September, we shall be hosting the above event for parents to find out more about our curriculum and priorities for the year. The event is less formal than a Parents' Consultation Evening, lasting around 20 minutes, but is equally as informative. There will be 2 chances to attend, the first meeting time (for all classes) is 4.30pm-4.50pm, and will then repeat at 5pm-5.20pm. By having 2 sessions, this should allow you to speak to different teachers if you have more than one child in school. Don't worry if you can't make the meetings as the PowerPoint shared on the night will be emailed out to all after the event. Please ensure your contact details are up to date. The class teacher will present on the learning for the term and there will be time for you to ask any questions. If you wish to share any further information with them privately, this may be done via email or in person at a different time.

Y6 children

As normal, we still only release children when we see their parents on the playground/waiting area/class door at the end of the day. For Y6 children only, when you deem it to be the right time and with your written permission being sent into school, Y6 are allowed to walk home or from the bus by themselves. To give this permission please send either a letter to Miss Fitzpatrick or email enquiries@eli.srscmat.co.uk

Details for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

Following the announcement from Buckingham Palace of the death of our sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a period of National Mourning has started and will continue until the end of the State Funeral. This is a period of time for reflection in response to the death of the Sovereign and, as always, at St



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Elizabeth's we will deal with this matter with respect and sensitivity. The official date of the State Funeral is 19 September 2022, this day will be a bank holiday as a mark of respect.

Applying for a secondary school place for Sept 2022

Was your child born between 1st Sept 2011 and 31st August 2012? If so, you **must** apply by midnight on 31st October to get them a place at secondary school. You can apply online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions or call 01629 533190.

St Benedict's Open Evening is on September 29th at 5-8pm this is open to all parents here at St Elizabeth's. The Head Teacher, Mrs Hazel Boyce, will speak twice at the event, at 6pm and 7pm, no booking is needed please feel free to go along. The school is situated on Duffield Road, Derby, DE22 1JD. If you have any queries regarding Secondary School Open Evenings please contact each Secondary School directly.

Flu immunisations

Flu immunisations details have been sent from the Derbyshire Health Team about the nasal spray flu vaccinations for this winter. Please see the attached poster for details.

Uniform

Thank you to you all for sending the children into school so smartly dressed in their school uniform. All items of uniform should be clearly labelled. Children do need to come to school in full school uniform. Uniform can be purchased online from www.loopwear.co.uk, hamiltons.biz and various supermarkets who also stock uniform basics.

Holidays during term time

As per usual there will be no authorisation of holidays during term times, unless these are for one off exceptional circumstance such as the wedding of a parent, a funeral, a hospital appointment. Any holidays taken during term time may result in a fine from Derbyshire Local Education Authority.

Please remember to scroll down and see the calendar of events, this does get updated regularly and some dates may change so please continue to check this throughout the school year.

Thank you and God bless,

Mrs Clemens.

Calendar of Events – 2022/2023

Monday 5th September	All pupils return to school to begin the Advent term	All pupils.
Thursday 8th September	Feast Day of Mary	All children to have a lesson on inspirational women.
Tuesday 13th September	Roald Dahl Day	Children to complete a lesson in class to celebrate this.
Wednesday 14th September	Y6 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.

Thursday 15 th September	CAFOD National Assembly and launch of Harvest appeal to support the Hope for Belper Food Bank.	All pupils in classes.
Friday 16 th September	Voting for pupil members of School Council	Years 2-6
Tuesday 20 th September	Y3 swimming lessons start (every Tuesday morning 10.30-11am)	Y3 at Belper Leisure Centre
Wednesday 21 st September	4.30-4.50pm and 5.00-5.20pm Meet and Greet Evening – meet your child's teacher and see their classroom.	All Parents and Carers welcome in classrooms
Thursday 22 nd September	Y5 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Friday 23 rd September	Pupil Parliament Day	Pupil Parliament children
Friday 23 rd September	Brass lessons start	Years 4 and 5
Wednesday 28 th September	TT Rockstars day – dress as a Rockstar day!	All classes
Thursday 29 th September	Y4 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All classes
Friday 30 th September	9.30am Harvest Festival – liturgy Held outside on bottom playground	All classes and parents welcome
Monday 3 rd October	Bike Ability Level 1	Year 4
Tuesday 4 th October	Bike Ability Level 1	Year 5
Tuesday 4 th October	Feast day of St Francis of Assisi	
Thursday 6 th October	Y3 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Thursday 6 th October	Big Breakfast menu – all children welcome to have dinners today, please email/call the office if your child does not normally have a school dinner and you would like them to take part in this.	All pupils.
Thursday 13 th October	Y2 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Friday 21 st October	Break up	All pupils.
Mon 24th October – Friday 28th October	Advent Half Term	School Closed
Monday 31 st October	INSET	School closed for all pupils
Tuesday 1 st November	Start of Advent term 2	School open for all pupils
Thursday 3 rd November	Y1 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Wednesday 9 th and Thursday 10 th November	Parents consultation evenings	All parents, meetings held on School Cloud
Thursday 10 th November	EYFS led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day	All pupils
Monday 14 th November	Anti-bullying week begins, theme "Reach Out" with odd socks day	All pupils can wear odd socks (any colours)
Thursday 17 th November	Feast day of St Elizabeth of Hungary	
Thursday 17 th November	Y6 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Wednesday 16 th November	Parent review meetings for SEND pupils	Meetings held on School Cloud
Thursday 24 th November	Y5 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Sunday 27 th November	First Sunday of Advent	
Thursday 1 st December	Y4 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Friday 2nd December	INSET	School Closed

Thursday 8 th December	Y3 led liturgy to whole school 3pm	All pupils.
Monday 12 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity – to whole school	All pupils
Tuesday 13 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity	Timings TBC
Wednesday 14 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity	Timings TBC
Wednesday 21 st December	9.30am Mass	All welcome
Thursday 22 nd December	Carols around the tree	2.45pm
Thursday 22 nd December	Break up	All pupils
Friday 23rd December – Fri 6th January	Christmas Holidays	School Closed
Monday 9th January 2023	All pupils return for the start of the Lent term	All pupils