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NEWSLETTER

Monday 31st March 2025



Dear Parents and Carers

Roofing work

The RAAC has been removed completely, the carpenters have built the new roof, the next step is to repair the internal damage and once completed decorating will begin. The roof on the hall was damaged during Storm Eowyn at the end of January, it will be repaired during the Easter holidays. Thank you for your understanding whilst this work takes place.

Big Lent walk – thank you!

The Big lent Walk was a huge success and a clear example of our children putting their faith into action to raise money for the charity CAFOD. We do not have a final total as we are still collecting, however, so far, our school community has raised £558 with cash and donations on the Just Giving page. The link to our CAFOD Fundraising/Just Giving Page is below and it's not too late to share this with any family or friends who wish to sponsor this event: <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-elizabeths-big-lent-walk-2025> Thank you so much for your generosity!

Y3 and Y4 Easter Play

The Y3 and Y4 Easter Play will be performed in the hall this coming week, it will be on the hall floor and risers with chairs for viewing at the sides. Please let us know by emailing enquiries@eli.srscmat.co.uk if you intend to come and watch the performance of the Easter story so that we can ensure enough space and chairs. The performances are for parents and relatives on Tuesday 1st April at 2pm and on Wednesday 2nd April at 6.30pm. There is no charge for this event but there will be a raffle. The children have been rehearsing really hard and are looking forward to welcoming you to this.

Reading survey

It would be great if you could share your thoughts regarding your child's reading by completing the MS Forms survey <https://forms.office.com/e/yQQdt1Y3CB>. It's only 7 questions (multiple choice so shouldn't take longer than 2 minutes of your time. Thank you!

Ping Pong Ball Race and Easter Hat Parade

On Friday 4th April there will be the annual Ping Pong Ball Race – this is when the school meet on the driveway and the ping pong balls that the children have purchased will have been numbered and then released to “race” down the driveway. The SEA have arranged some super Easter Eggs to be won and afterwards will be asking each class to parade in the Easter hats. To be clear, I use the term “hat” very loosely as any headgear is welcomed – hats, bonnets, caps, headbands etc – the more creative the better! There is a winning prize for a member of each class in the parade. Look out on Class Dojo for the outcomes of this event.



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Easter Holidays

The Easter holiday is from Monday 7th April and we return to school on Tuesday 22nd of April. KidZone will be open during the holidays should you need their support; you can contact Marie Mason on 07738 353094.

Mass 1st May

Mass will be celebrated in school at 10am in the school hall on Wednesday 1st May. Everyone is invited as Father Neil celebrates Eastertide with us.

Our Parish News

The link to our Parish website for updates of times and services at Our Lady's on Gibfield Lane, Belper or St Joseph's, Ripley, the Parish of the Epiphany, Amber Valley is <https://catholic-ambervalley.uk/parish/belper/>

Calendar of events

Please remember to scroll down and see the calendar of events. There have been new dates added, so please continue to check this throughout the school year.

Thank you all for your continued support and God Bless.

Mrs Clemens.
Headteacher.

Calendar of Events for St Elizabeth's – 2024-5

	Calendar for 2024-2025	
Tuesday 1 st April	Y3/4 Easter Performance at 2pm in the school hall	All invited
Wednesday 2 nd April	Y3/4 Easter Performance at 6.30pm in the school hall	All invited
Friday 4 th April	Break up for Easter holidays with the Great Ping Pong Ball Race and Easter Hat Parade	All pupils
Monday 7 th April – Monday 21 st April	Easter holidays	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 22 nd April	Back to school	All pupils
Tuesday 22 nd April	Y3 continue to go swimming	All Y3 pupils
Thursday 1 st May	Y4 trip to Derby Museum	All Y4 pupils
Thursday 1 st May	Mass at 10am in school hall to celebrate Eastertide	All welcome
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 7 th to Fri 9 th May	Y5 residential to Willersley Castle	All Y5 pupils
Monday 12 th May	Y6 SATs week	All Y6 pupils
Wednesday 21 st May	SEA movie night	All pupils
Thursday 22 nd May	1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word in school hall, afterwards all donations of flowers will be delivered on King Street, Belper	1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word, all welcome
Friday 23 rd May	Break up for May half term Celebrating with the SEA cake sale	All pupils
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils
Monday 2 nd June	Back to school	All pupils

Monday 2 nd June	Y4 start their Statutory Multiplication Checks	Y4 pupils
Wednesday 4 th June	Sports Day	All pupils and families welcome to support
Thursday 5 th June	Induction meeting for new starters in reception for September 2025 held in Reception classroom at 4pm.	Parents of new starters in Sept 2025
Monday 9 th June	Phonics screening tests for Y1 pupils	Y1 pupils
Wednesday 11 th June	SEA Father's Day Gift Sale	All pupils
Thursday 12 th June	Reception Class trip to Carsington	All EYFS pupils
Friday 20 th June	3pm Corpus Christi Celebration of the Word led by Joe and the Chaplaincy Team with Adoration	All invited
Friday 20 th June	World Refugee Day	
Thursday 26 th June	School is visited 1pm-4.45pm by the "Book Bus" for the afternoon, all children will be allowed to see the books and have the option to make a purchase.	All pupils during school time, parents invited after 3.30pm for any further browsing or purchases.
Monday 30 th June	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 1 st July	3pm St Peter and Paul Celebration of the Word, Chaplaincy team leading.	All invited
Friday 4 th July	St Elizabeth's Summer Fayre	All pupils, family and friends welcome
Tuesday 8 th July	2pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
Wednesday 9 th July	6.30pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
Friday 11 th July	Reports go out to reception to year 5 parents	Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 pupils reports
Friday 11 th July	Outdoor disco 6-7.30pm on the school playground and field	All pupils
Tuesday 22 nd July	2pm Y6 Leaver's Mass followed by tree planting	Y6 parents invited
Thursday 24 th July	10.15am Y6 Leaver's Assembly	All pupils and parents of Y6
Thursday 24 th July	Break up for summer holidays	All pupils
Friday 25 th July until 4 th September	Summer holidays	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 4 th and Friday 5 th September 2025	INSET days	School closed to all pupils
Monday 8 th September 2025	Back to school	All pupils