



JOY FORGIVENESS FAITH RESPECT SERVICE PEACE STEWARDSHIP



# NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term – and so far the weather is being kind to us! The work on the hall roof is now completed and the work on our KS1 area is going well with areas now getting redecorated. When we can go back into these areas, we would like to have a “re-opening” and will be inviting everyone to come and take a look around – watch this space for dates.

We have lots of exciting educational visits happening this term. So here is a quick summary of the trips.

Year group	Date	Location
Y4	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Derby Museum (Egyptian theme)
Y5	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May until 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Willersley Castle (outward bounds and adventurous activities)
Y6	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Cadbury World (rainforest theme)
Y3	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Peak Wildlife (science - habitats)
Reception	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Carsington (science – minibests)
Y2	Date to be confirmed	Yorkshire Wildlife park (science – adaptations)

## Mass

Father Neil will be in school to celebrate Mass on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 10am, all welcome to join this celebration of Eastertide.

## Reading Survey

Thank you to everyone who took part in the recent reading survey, please look out for a summer reading newsletter to ensure you are up to date with the work happening in school. To be clear My Book Blog is no longer used, we have moved to Accelerated Reader, this is a thorough reading programme that the children move onto often at the end of Y2 or the start of Y3. Children on Accelerated Reader are encouraged to read daily (in and out of school) and are allowed to change their book either during a set class time or during breaks.

## Non-Uniform Day

In order to support the SEA with gifts for the Summer Fayre (on 4<sup>th</sup> July) the children will be invited to take part in a non-uniform day on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May in return for bringing in a “Jolly bag”. The jolly bag will be supplied by the SEA and given to children, the children will take this home and fill with a gift/gifts that the child would be interested in receiving. This jolly bag is then exchanged instead of money to wear non-uniform. The jolly bags will then be used by the SEA during summer fayre for prizes that are appealing to the children. I know the children enjoy non-uniform days and it will be a fun way to support the SEA.



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### May half term holidays

The May half term holiday is from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May and we return to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. KidZone will be open during the holidays should you need their support; you can contact Marie Mason on 07738 353094.

### 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/>

### Special Menu Day – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025

The kitchen will be doing a 'Fake-Away, Take-Away' style menu on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May. More details to follow.

### 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	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Y4 trip to Derby Museum	All Y4 pupils
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Mass at 10am in school hall to celebrate Eastertide	All welcome
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of Y4 invited
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 residential to Willersley Castle	All Y5 pupils
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs week	All Y6 pupils
Thursday, 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Fake-Away, Take-Away menu day	All pupils
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Jolly Bags returned for a non-uniform day	All pupils
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 rainforest art sale to parents 3-4pm in the Y6 classroom	Y6 pupils and parents
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	SEA movie night	All pupils
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word in school hall, afterwards all donations of flowers will be delivered in Belper	1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word, all welcome
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y6 trip to Cadbury World	Y6 pupils
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Break up for May half term	All pupils
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Back to school	All pupils
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Y4 start their Statutory Multiplication Checks	Y4 pupils
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day (pm only)	All pupils and families welcome to support

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of Y5 invited
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics screening assessments for Y1 pupils	Y1 pupils
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 trip to Peak Wildlife	Y3 pupils
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	SEA Father's Day Gift Sale	All pupils
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Class trip to Carsington	EYFS pupils
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of Y3 invited
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	3pm Corpus Christi Celebration of the Word led by Joe and the Chaplaincy Team with Adoration	All invited
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	World Refugee Day	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y2 leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of Y2 invited
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	3pm St Peter and Paul Celebration of the Word, Chaplaincy team leading.	All invited
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y1 leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of Y1 invited
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	St Elizabeth's Summer Fayre (pm only)	All pupils, family and friends welcome
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	St Elizabeth's Transition Day	All children spend the day with their new teacher in the classroom they will be in next year
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Rec leading Celebration of the word, 3pm in the school hall	All pupils and parents of YRec invited
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports go out to Reception to Year 5 parents	Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 pupils reports
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Outdoor disco 6-7.30pm on the school playground and field	All pupils
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	2pm Y6 Leaver's Mass followed by tree planting	Y6 parents invited
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	2.30pm Y6 Leaver's Assembly	All pupils and parents of Y6
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for summer holidays	All pupils
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> July until 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Summer holidays	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	INSET days	School closed to all pupils
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Back to school	All pupils