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# NEWSLETTER


Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have an action-packed line up of events for the summer so please take a moment to read this update.

## Book Bus

On the afternoon of Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June, the Book Bus will be at St Elizabeth's. They will be parking on the main playground and children will be visiting throughout the afternoon to read and make a purchase (optional). We have organised the bus to stay after school so that children can visit with parents, if you wish to do so. The Book Bus will be open to parents from 3.20pm and will be leaving at 4.45pm. If you would like to buy a voucher for your child to use, please click the following link.

 Buy a voucher online for your child to spend on the Book Bus: <https://thebookbus.co.uk/pages/book-fairs/>

## INSET

Please remember school is closed to all pupils on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June as we have our final INSET Day of staff training for the year. KidZone will remain open, please remember to book places with Marie if needed.

## SEND review evening

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July we have our final meetings for parents of children with SEND; this is to review APDRs going into the next academic year. These meetings can be face to face in school or online on School Cloud and will last approx. 20 minutes. Whichever way you prefer the meeting, please remember to book the appointment via School Cloud. The bookings will open at 3.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

## Summer Fayre

Our summer fayre is being held on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm until 5.30pm. The children will have had a chance to visit stalls from 1.30pm but then be taken back to classrooms for the opening at 2.30pm. Children can attend the fayre with you, please go to their classroom from 2.30pm onwards to sign them out of the class teacher's care. You can then attend the fayre as a family. It is **not** an early closure day and school buses etc will still run at the normal time. The sign out system is purely to enable your children to be able to enjoy some of the time at the fayre with you as a family.

I know the SEA are eager for more volunteers in order to be able to offer a full range of stalls and activities. Please let the SEA know if you can help. Information can be left for the SEA at the school office.

## Y5/6 Summer Performance

Years 5 and 6 are full steam ahead into rehearsals for their end of year play. The performance will be on stage for 3 days:

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July – for all members of the school (no tickets needed as all children will be able to see this)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm – letters for tickets have been sent out to all families of Y5/6 children



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Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - letters for tickets have been sent out to all families of Y5/6 children

Please only bring family members who have tickets, at this point we do not anticipate there being any spare tickets on the afternoon/night and we are eager to avoid disappointment.

### **Transition day**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July is whole school transition day where children in all classes get to spend a day with their new teacher in their new classroom.

There will be no staffing changes for next year, so please see the list below for year group and names of classes and teachers.

Year group	Class name	Teacher name
Reception (EYFS)	Iona	Mrs Wilby
Year 1	Lindisfarne	Mrs Acton and Mrs Turner
Year 2	Durham	Mr Ward and Mrs Parry
Year 3	Walsingham	Miss Evans
Year 4	Padley	Miss Hickling
Year 5	Rodsley	Miss Fitzpatrick
Year 6	Canterbury	Miss Holmes

### **Y6 Leaver's Mass**

Our Y6 Leaver's Mass will be held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 2pm with Father Neil celebrating Mass with us. All parents and carers of Y6 pupils are invited to attend this event with a tree planting and photo opportunity afterwards on the school field.

### **Leaver's Assembly**

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 2.30pm in the school hall we will be holding our leavers assembly led by Y6. All Y6 parents and carers are welcome to this event.

### **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. 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

Please note, the academic year 2025-26 has started to be included in this calendar.

	<b>Calendar for 2024-2025</b>	
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 Rec invited
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. (TW, DP and LP attending)	Y2 pupils
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 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 STEM workshop and tour of the Heritage Centre at Rolls Royce	All Y6 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
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Birthday of Mary	All pupils to complete work on "Phenomenal women" this week
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	3pm Celebration of the word Joe leading – theme Birthday of Mary	All pupils, parents welcome.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	10am Start of year Mass	All pupils, parents and parish welcome
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Open Evening at St Benedict's	Y5/6 pupils and their families
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Non-uniform day, in exchange for donations to support the St Francis Creche and Pre-School in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa (this school was founded and is still supported by the Franciscan Sisters who started our school and also supported by St Elizabeth's, they would	All pupils

	like the money to pay from central heating for the classrooms for the youngest children).	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Start the Harvest Festival Collection of food/goods to support Hope for Belper food bank	All pupils
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Feast Day for St Francis of Assis being celebrated in school	All pupils
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	1.30pm Class Mass for Y1 and Y6 as prayer buddies	Y1 and Y6 pupils
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Tempest Individual Photos	All pupils (if this is your class PE day please wear normal uniform, bring your PE kit and get changed in school).
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	World Food Day 3pm Harvest Festival	All pupils, parents welcome to attend 3pm Harvest festival celebration in school hall
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Break up for half term	All pupils
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> until Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Return to school	All pupils
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	10am Mass for All Saints	All pupils, parents and parish welcome
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying week begins	All pupils
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Feast day of St Elizabeth of Hungary 10am Mass for the Feast Day of St Elizabeth of Hungary	All pupils, parents and parish welcome
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	3pm Jesse Tree Advent celebrations start daily (apart from tomorrow!)	All pupils and parents are welcome to join for any or all of these
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	1.30-2.30pm Advent Pilgrimage (incorporating the Jesse Tree stories)	All pupils
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> to Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	3pm Jesse Tree Advent celebration	All pupils and parents are welcome to join for any or all of these
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	3pm Jesse Tree Advent celebration	All pupils and parents are welcome to join for any or all of these
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	3pm Jesse Tree Advent celebration	All pupils and parents are welcome to join for any or all of these
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	10am Advent Mass	All pupils, parents and parish welcome
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Carols around the Tree	All pupils and parents welcome
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas holidays	All pupils
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December until Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	Christmas Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Return to school	All pupils
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	2.30pm Mass for Epiphany	All pupils, parents and parish welcome
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	1.30pm Class Mass for Y2 and Y4	All pupils
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Break up for half term holiday	All pupils
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils