# Summer 2 Weekly Update - 17/06/22

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# Dear Parents/Carers,

The final half term certainly got off to a great start with not one but two celebration days. We enjoyed our Pentecost Party Day followed by our Jubilee celebration. The children certainly enjoyed these days. Pentecost Party day is a lovely way for our children to learn together. They worked in their house teams and staff gave some lovely comments about how well the older children supported our younger children throughout the day. We look forward to many more House days!

It is lovely to feel like we are getting back to our usual activities. Year 5 and 6 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to PGL and I am sure those who follow us on Twitter will have seen their enthusiasm! My thanks to all the staff for their hard work, particularly after 2 party days. They came back totally exhausted as I am sure the children did too. It is a huge responsibility taking children away on a residential and, as always, our staff go above and beyond!

This week our Nursery and Reception children enjoyed a trip over to St. Elizabeth's Church as part of their RE topic. The children were so enthusiastic and staff were very proud of them all.

I have enjoyed visiting classes this week to observe RE lessons and talk to children about their learning. The teachers are now busy writing their Reports and I am sure you will be blown away by the progress they have made this year.

Next week is a highlight of the year as we look forward to Sports Week. Mrs Williams has been very busy planning exciting opportunities for all the children.

Have a lovely weekend, enjoying sunny weather!

# **Congratulations to our Gold Award Winners!**

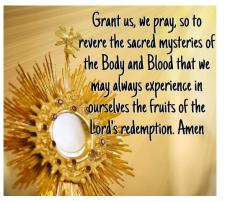


# Reflection

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ which we celebrate this Sunday is a joyful celebration of the abiding presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament flows from the heart of the Mass and the Holy Communion into which we enter in receiving Christ in the Eucharist. The Mass is the re-presentation of the action of Jesus on the night before he died. During the Last Supper he took bread and wine, blessed and broken, and gave Himself in these Sacramental signs to His disciples. "My Body, My Blood, given for you".

We are part of Christ's body and are loved more than we know or imagine. As One we are loved, and through Jesus we have become God's beloved daughters and sons. The Eucharist gives us the gift it signifies, the risen Jesus alive again in our midst.



Mrs Kelly





The beginning of the summer term, Year 1 travelled on the tram on their visit to the

Marist Centre. Sister Mary and Sister Mary Agnes, taught us all about growing in love for our families and God. What an enjoyable day we had.

Our topic we completed last term was 'Royal Patrons'. In history, we found out about Queen Victoria (Victorian era) and Queen Elizabeth. We looked at where both queens lived and found out that Queen Victoria is Queen Elizabeth's great-great grandmother. It also reiterated our learning of Paddington has revisited the famous locations in London. We covered the topic in our English lessons by completing both Queen's time lines, looking at the similarities and differences writing about them. This led us to a comical story 'The Queen's knickers' by Nicholas Allan. We also learnt how to recite the rhyme 'Pussy cat, Pussy cat where have you been' and from this we completed our own rhymes.

In Maths, we continued to add, subtract, share (divide) and double numbers counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We also continued to complete the whole, part of numbers, missing numbers and measurements. In Science, we are looking at the many different materials and understanding the differences between man-made and natural. The children looked at what materials were used for the different items around the classroom.



On our return to school this week, it has seen us celebrating Pentecost Day by creating a dove, Pentecost hat, wind twirls and dream catchers that remind us of the Holy Spirit.

The Platinum Jubilee celebration was a great day

enjoyed by all the children. Year 1 had a fabulous time learning the Cha Cha and then performing the dance for the whole school community. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we do.



This term we are completing the topic 'The Big Ship Sailed'. We started it this week by embarking on the 'Titanic'.



# Year 2

After an extremely busy last half-term, Year 2 have

been having lots of fun with their learning this week.

In Art, we have started our new topic 'Man on the Moon'. We have experimented with different materials to create



some fantastic Space scenes. For inspiration, we looked closely at the artwork of the artist 'Kandinsky' and will be creating some other pieces influenced by him!

Science has been exciting learning about our new topic 'Plants'. We enjoyed planting a variety of seeds and discussed the things that a plant needs to grow. We will be watching them closely to see how they develop over the coming weeks.

In Design Technology, we are going to be designing



and creating our own periscopes! So far, we have looked at existing periscopes, found out about how they work and researched what they are used for.

We are looking forward to now creating our own to take with us on a dinosaur hunt!



# Sports Week!

Next week is National Sports Week!

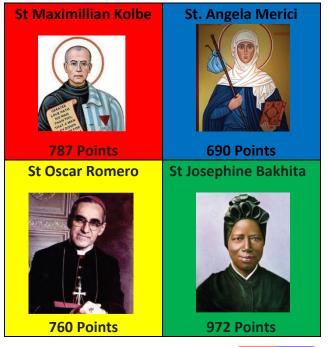
In true St Elizabeth's style we will be marking the week with a wide range of activities for the children to enjoy. We're looking forward to a range of sports including: fencing, cheerleading, cricket, tennis and dance to name a few!

During the week, children must wear their school PE kit which is a white t-shirt, black/navy shorts or black/navy.

Nursery and Reception are looking forward to their Sports Day on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2:15pm. On this day, Nursery and Reception children are invited to wear sports clothes.

Year 1 – Year 6 are looking forward to their Sports Day on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 10am. Children will be competing in the house teams. Children are invited to wear sporty clothes in their house team colours: **red**, **blue**, **yellow** or **green**. If your child is unsure of their house team please check with their class teacher.

### **House Points**



Congratulations to this week's winning house: Team Kolbe; who are clearly on a winning streak!



Attendance WC 13<sup>th</sup> June

Year	%
Nursery	91%
Reception	89%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	92%
Year 5	92%
Year 6	92%

There are 195 pupils with 100% attendance this week. Well done!

Congratulations to **Nursery & Year 6** with the best punctuality; all children were on time every day!

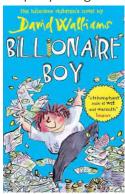
Congratulations to **Reception** with the best attendance this week. The whole school attendance this week was 93.5%.



The Billionaire Boy by David Walliams Book review from JJ in Year 6

This is about a boy called Bob who is super rich because his dad owns a toilet roll company. He goes

to a private school and everyone bullies him by calling him names. Joe then moves to a public school where no-one knows him and he makes a new friend called Bob. Although Joe has everything he could wish for like expensive toys and money, there is one thing missing from his life that he really wants, something money can't buy - a friend!



I would recommend this book because it is very funny.

My favourite part is when you are told what the lunch is, in the public school - it is very funny!

### **Article of the Fortnight**

#### Article 22 (refugee children)

If a child is seeking refuge or has refugee status, governments must provide them with appropriate protection and assistance to help them enjoy all the rights in the Convention. Governments must help refugee children who are separated from their parents to be reunited with them.





### **Article 10 (family reunification)**

Governments must respond quickly and sympathetically if a child or their parents apply to live together in the same country. If a child's parents live apart in different countries, the child



has a right to visit and keep in contact with both

of them.



# **Sporting News**

#### Golf

What a putting time we had at Tri- golf. We enjoyed all the different activities using the putter and chipper clubs.



#### Netball

What a fabulous evening of netball we enjoyed on Thursday.

Our unstoppable team won all their games: 4-0

against St John's, 6-0 against Manley Park, 2-1 against MCA.

Well done to Hermionie, Kiera, Alexa, Oliwier, Andrew and Ezekiel.



# **Polite Reminders**

# Communication

School Jotter

Please remember Twitter is not a way of communicating to school. If you need to send a message to us please use School Jotter or email <u>admin@st-elizabeths.manchester.sch.uk</u> Alternatively, you can call into the school office or contact is via telephone on 0161 437 3890.

It is important that you download jotter as this is our main way of sending out quick messages or any changes that may occur due to unforeseen circumstances. Some parents have made comments that they have not been notified of things when in fact a jotter message has been sent out.

### Sun Protection

It is lovely to see the beautiful sunshine arrive! Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school each day, is wearing a high factor all day sunscreen and has a hat to

protect their head. Next week is our sports week so the children will be spending more time outdoors than usual.



#### Nursery

Please remember our Nursery is closed to children on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July to allow time for our new Nursery children and families to visit our school ready for September.

#### Inset Day

School will be closed on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July to all children for staff training.

#### Top Tweets



Please look at the tweets below, they give a great sense of what St. Elizabeth's is all about! If you don't already follow us on Twitter you'll find us at

@stelizabethsM22.

A live feed also appears on the front page of the website.



St. Elizabeth's MCR  $@stelizabethsm22\cdot3h$  Reception LOVE their new campfire. Can you smell the sausages cooking and marshmallows toasting?

We're also telling stories around the campfire!

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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 10 Jun ···· We've got some visitors distracting us from abseiling this morning, it's a good job they're cute!



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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 9 Jun You could be looking at future Olympians! @@@@@





**St. Elizabeth's MCR** @stelizabethsm22 · 7 Jun Thank you to our incredible @TaylorShawUK kitchen staff for providing a fantastic picnic lunch!

#PlatinumJubilee 🐯 #JubileeCelebration





#### St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 6 Jun

Today we're celebrating the feast of Pentecost. We're dressed in colours of the flame. We gathered together for Liturgical Prayer and now we're taking part in lots of different Pentecostal activities.

#Pentecost #WelcomeHolySpirit





St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 10 Jun ···· Taking in the beautiful countryside. "The poetry of the Earth is never dead."



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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 6 Jun We're enjoying our Pentecost Party! #ComeHolySpirit



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St. Elizabeth's MCR @stelizabethsm22 · 9 Jun Group two are raft building this afternoon. We've planned our design, created a prototype and now we're beginning to build! Wish us luck!

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# Dates for your diary:



**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** – Sports Week begins! Children must come to school wearing their school PE kit each day

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Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – EYFS Sports Day at 2:15pm

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Year 1 – Year 6 Sports Day at 10am

**Friday 24**<sup>th</sup> – Children's First Aid sessions, Reception to Year 4 please bring a teddy to school

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 trip to Sale Waterpark

July

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – School closed, INSET training day

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Nursery closed to children

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Reception trip to Wythenshawe Park

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – Final Swimming session for Year 4

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Leavers Mass

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup>** – Year 6 Catholic Cluster Mass at St Anthony's

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>** – Year 6 Leavers assembly, 9:15am

