



THE FEDERATION OF ST ELPHEGE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

12th September 2024

God is good all the time & all the time God is good'



Welcome Back



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

To those returning to our school after the summer break, welcome back and to our new families, welcome!

I trust everybody had a relaxing summer, shared with family and friends.

I am very pleased with how all the children have settled back into the classroom routine and how happy they all are to have returned to school.

I would like to welcome both Mrs Sikora and Miss Costello who have joined the teaching staff this academic year.

Congratulations to Ms Zari who got married over the summer and congratulations to Mr P Jones who welcomed a new baby boy into the world last week. We ask for God's blessing on both these wonderful events.

There are many activities and events planned for the autumn term so please make a note of the dates on this newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr L Hawkes

After School Clubs

Monday 16th September 2024	Ballet Y1 & Yr 2 3:30pm
Monday 16th September 2024	Ballet Grade 2 4:30pm
Tuesday 8th October 2024	String Group
Wednesday 18th September	Junior Choir Starts
Wednesday 18th September	Spanish Club Yr1 - Yr6
Thursday 19th September	Infant Choir Starts
Thursday 19th September	Y6 Girls Football
Thursday 19th September	Yr 2 & Yr 3 mixed Football

Parents and carers are reminded that all letters or correspondence sent home are available on the St Elphege's School website under the Parents & Carers section.

Do not fear for I am with you, Says the Lord Isaiah 41:10

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday 13th September 2024	Year 3 - 6 Mass Welcome Mass in Don Bosco Hall 9am
Monday 16th September 2024	Mufti Day for all children, £1 donation
Tuesday 17th September 2024	Reception Curriculum Meeting
Wednesday 18th September 2024	Year 5 Kew Gardens
Friday 20th September 2024	Farewell Mass for Father Emmanuel, St Elphege's Church 6pm
Friday 27th September 2024	55th Anniversary of St Elphege's Schools Infant Mass 9am McMillan Coffee Morning to follow Mass
Friday 27th September 2024	'Many Cultures, One Family' Celebration 2:30pm - 4pm
Friday 18th October 2024	Year 3 - 6 Harvest Festival Mass, St Elphege's Church 9am - 10:30am
Monday 27th October 2024 - Friday 01st November 2024	Half Term

Message from Father Patrick, St Elphege's Church

Please be informed that Fr. Patrick will be available to sign the Priest Reference Form for Catholic Schools for about an hour every **Sunday** in **September**, from **1:20 pm to 2:20 pm**, after the Midday Mass in the Wardroom. The final day for the signings will be **Sunday, October 6th, 2024**.

Kindly remember to bring the child along with their Baptism and First Holy Communion Certificates.

We kindly ask for your cooperation and hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity.



Good News for Families

TOGETHER TIME



1 READ & REFLECT! Listen & Learn with Jesus, the Word!

Jesus and his disciples left for a village in the North. On the way Jesus asked his friends, the disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered, "Some say you are John the Baptist; others say you are one of the prophets who died a long time ago and has come back to life." Jesus then asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" It was Peter who spoke up. "You are the Christ," he said. Then Jesus began to teach them that he was destined to suffer, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again.

What two questions did Jesus ask his disciples?

Which word or words stood out for you in this Sunday's Gospel, and why? Spend a few relaxing moments pondering the picture together. Share any thoughts before moving on.