



ST ELPHEGE'S INFANT AND JUNIOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

13th March 2025

"God is good all the time & all the time God is good"



NEW PARENT PORTAL—ARBOR

A reminder that we have moved to a new school system and you will be invited by email to register and download the new parent App in the coming weeks. Emails will now be sent from **no-reply@mail.arbor-education.com** please ensure this does not get filtered into your spam or junk inboxes.

Change in Weather

Parents - please ensure your child is appropriately dressed for the cold months ahead i.e. waterproof shoes and a warm waterproof raincoat.

ST ELPHEGE'S STRING GROUP

CONGRATULATIONS & WELL DONE

St Elphege's newly formed "String Group" performed at the Coulsdon & Purley Music Festival and competition on Friday 7th March at Wilson School and were awarded 1st place with an exceptional performance and 100% score. A fantastic achievement for the group in their first public performance and competition.



UNIFORM—REMINDER

Parents and carers are reminded that children should wear the correct uniform for school at all times

THE WORD
Wednesday



SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

A Gift to You & Your Family from Your Catholic School

Dear Parents and Carers,

There are times when we all need encouraging: that is, to be inspired with courage and to have our hope renewed, especially when we are going through difficult times.

The snapshot of Jesus' glory in this Sunday's Gospel was an encouragement to the three disciples. For the first time they received a glimpse of the awesome divinity of Jesus. But soon they would go through difficult times and see Jesus crucified.

Wednesday 12th March 2025

So beforehand, God tells them to listen to Jesus and allows them to see Jesus for who he really is. Following Jesus isn't easy: it never was. But if, like the disciples, we too listen to Jesus, we will experience the encouragement that God offers freely to each one of us - today.

Enjoy exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **ENCOURAGEMENT**.

Dom Henry Warsbrough

A Word from Pope Francis

"The invitation at the Transfiguration is to listen to Jesus and to follow him, laying down our lives as a gift of love for one another."



Important Upcoming Dates

Please note: Dates may be subject to changes so please check your child's Google classroom

Wednesday 19th March	Parents & Carers Coffee Morning & workshop Building Resilience
Thursday 20th March	LARKS morning Liturgy 9:00am Mother Therese Hall
Wednesday 26th March	Reception classes visit to Pizza Express
Thursday 27th March	KINGFISHERS morning Liturgy 9:00am Mother Therese Hall
Friday 4th April	LAST DAY OF TERM— SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1:30 PM

Spring Term Parent & Teacher Meetings

Please look out for an email at the start of next week with booking information for this term's Parent & Teacher Meetings.

PARKING REMINDER— ALL PARENTS & CARERS

DO NOT park across the entrance gates or across the ZIG ZAG area when dropping of your child as it is dangerous. Please **do not park** in private bays in the estate or surrounding our school.

*Please park with consideration and respect to our neighbours **at all times.***

School Attendance

ATTEND TODAY ! ACHIEVE TOMORROW !!

If you are in any doubt about whether to send your child to school because of sickness, the school office are always happy to discuss this with you.

Our aim at St Elphege's is for all children to have an overall attendance of 96% or higher.

INFANTS JUNIORS

94.4 % 97.2 %

RECEPTION — 92.7% YEAR 3 — 95.3%

YEAR 1 — 93.7% YEAR 4— 95.3%

YEAR 2— 96.3% YEAR 5— 95.7%

YEAR 6— 95.4%

M & K's CAFÉ based at the Wallington Family hub in the Phoenix Centre welcome the families of St Elphege's School and offer a free meal. Pop in after school with the kids and join them for a FREE hot meal or a light snack. You can even order in advance :-

mickys.cafe.info@gmail.com **To Reserve your meal** Contact number: **07534792892**

Open from 3:30pm till 5pm @The Wallington Family hub in The Phoenix Centre, Roundshaw for meal collection.

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