Date: Friday 9th October 2026

ST ELPHEGE'S RC SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER



With God, all things are possible...

UPCOMING EVENTS

The month of October is the month of Our Lady.

Children will be praying the rosary each morning focussing on the different special times in the lives of Jesus and Mary.

Infant parents are welcome to join their children in the Mother Teresa Hall to pray and a timetable will be sent out to you from the school office.

Rosary beads are available from the school office for 50p.

ATTENDANCE

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. Every child must aim to have a **minimum of 96%.**
You can keep track of your child's attendance through the Arbor Parent Portal.

Infants	Attendance	Juniors	Attendance
Nursery	98.3% ★	**Year 3**	96%
Reception	97.6%	**Year 4**	96.9% ★
Year 1	97%	**Year 5**	94.4%
Year 2	96.7%	**Year 6**	94.4%

Year 6 Admissions Reminder

The application portal to apply for secondary school is now **OPEN**.
The deadline for applications is **31st October 2026.**
Applications **MUST** be submitted by this date otherwise your child will not be allocated a High School. Please log into your **E-ADMISSIONS account** and submit your application ASAP.
If you have any queries please contact the school office.

PTFA Annual General Meeting Reminder

The PTFA Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Tuesday 13th October. The meeting will take place at the school with the option of those who can't attend in person being able to join through Microsoft Teams. There will be refreshments. Please come along to find out about all the good work and money raised for the school last year and for the plans for this year. Please arrive at the school for **7:15pm** to settle in with the meeting starting at **7.30pm**. We hope you can make it. If you plan to come in person please let Georgina, Kayla, Dinu or Anna know, so we can organise refreshments.





LOST PROPERTY - LOST PROPERTY

NEW LOST PROPERTY BOXES ARE NOW IN PLACE AROUND THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

INFANT PLAYGROUND - GAZEBO
JUNIOR PLAYGROUND - END OF THE LARGE MODULAR

ANY NAMED ITEMS WILL BE ON HOOKS, ALL OTHER ITEMS WILL BE IN THE BLACK BOXES.

ALL REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE DISPOSED OF AT THE END OF TERM.

STAFF CELEBRATION



This academic year marks the long service of some of our St Elphege's staff.

Mrs Brittain, Mrs Sharpe, Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Russell have been awarded the long service award for their time teaching at St Elphege's Infant and Catholic Schools.

The award celebrates over 20 years service and we are eternally grateful to these staff members for their dedication to our children at St Elphege's. The celebration took place at St Winefride's Catholic Church in Wimbledon.

If you see these staff, please join me in congratulating them.

"In all the work you are doing, work the best you can. Work as if you were working for the Lord, not for men. Remember that you will receive your reward from the Lord, which he promised to his people. You are serving the Lord Christ." *Colossians 3: 23-24*

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

THE Wednesday WORD
Good News for Families

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL
WITH SCHOOLS,
PARENTS & FAMILIES

Jesus said “The kingdom of heaven is like when a king held a wedding feast for his son. He sent his servants to summon those who had been invited but they didn’t want to come. He sent other servants and said, ‘Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared the meal, everything is ready, come to the feast.’
Some of those invited took no notice but other seized the king’s servants. The king was very angry and sent his soldiers. Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready but those who were invited were not worthy.
Go out into the streets and invite everyone you find to the wedding feast.’ The servants went out and gathered together everyone they could find, both bad and good alike. The wedding hall was now filled with guests.”

Adapted from Matthew 22:1-10

FLYERS


MISS MCKENNA'S FUNDRAISER FOR THE ROYAL MARSDEN
IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY MUM AND DAD, I'M TAKING ON A 5-DAY TREK THROUGH THE JORDANIAN DESERT (18TH OCTOBER - 25TH OCTOBER 2026) TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE ROYAL MARSDEN CANCER CHARITY, SUPPORTING LIFE-SAVING CANCER CARE AND RESEARCH.
YOUR SUPPORT WILL HELP THE ROYAL MARSDEN CONTINUE THEIR LIFE-SAVING WORK


GAELIC FOOTBALL OPEN SESSIONS
BOYS & GIRLS 5YRS – 14YR


THE LITTLE RECYCLERS
SCHOOL FUNDRAISING
YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:
6 NOVEMBER
FRIDAY
FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM
WE ACCEPT
Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
Shoes (paired)
Bags
Hats & scarves
Belts
Fashion accessories
Swimwear, lingerie
Jewellery
Perfumes
WE DONT ACCEPT
Uniforms
Traditional clothing
Duvets & pillows
Single shoes
Toys, stationery
Books, CDs, DVDs
Workwear
Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
Hygiene items, diapers
Linen & towels
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