

NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th July 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week of lovely weather has allowed us to make the most of our outdoor spaces when it hasn't been too hot! As the temperature is due to increase dramatically on Monday and Tuesday of next week we will be having low arousal days, going off curriculum to keep everyone cool and relaxed. We will be having frequent cold drink, ice lolly and fruit breaks throughout the day and not venturing out in the hot sun. Please send your child into school in light, loose clothing to help keep them cool rather than their usual school uniform.

Today we had our Graduation Assembly to celebrate the achievements of ten of our young people. It was a very moving and enjoyable ceremony, which celebrated the progress and development of our young people in all aspects of their life. They will always be in our hearts and memories, and we hope they will always remember their time at St. Elizabeth's fondly.

If you are able to, please continue to test your child twice weekly. We have a limited number of LFD tests remaining, so please contact <u>Alex.Way@stelizabeths.org.uk</u> to request a set of tests.

Have a great weekend.

Stuart Bruce Deputy Head Teacher

Jubilee Class

Dear family and friends

We are convinced that this week was the hottest week St Elizabeth's has ever experienced! As usual we adapted to the situation and managed to stay as cool as possible during lessons. This week we experimented with freezing different fruit and turning it into creamy fruit ice cream. The learners were impressed with the taste and will possibly request parents and staff to attempt to make grape ice cream or even make banana ice cream at home. The recipes can be found on YouTube and they are very easy and delicious. We used our pastry to make homemade jam tarts.

We wrote our "THANK YOU" letters about everything we experienced and are blessed to have. Jubilee class has become a very close group and many precious friendships have formed between the learners and staff. On Tuesday we had our End of Year mass and received a blessing from Father Paul in the chapel. On Friday we had our Graduation Assembly and we wish Henry all the very best of luck and happiness in his new life at the college. We will still see him at St Elizabeth's and we are very proud to know him as our friend.

Please take care in the heat and stay hydrated.

Kind regards.

Mrs C

Winston Class

Happy Friday, the last one of the term!

We really have had a fantastic year and its been a pleasure teaching all of the students, we have 3 leavers from Winston and we were very excited to see their graduation today. All of the students have worked so hard this year and this week we have been doing lots of dancing, walks, quizzes, communication and kindness activities as well as preparation for next year, moving on and new classes.

The students have also enjoyed a movie and on extremely hot days, ice lollies or ice creams. We even made minion biscuits.

Enjoy the weekend.

Mel and The Winston Team

Pippin Class

Pippin class have had an excellent week, we have been for walks to the park and enjoyed lots of time in the sensory light rooms, we have made ice cream and enjoyed cycling around the school grounds.

Many thanks

Charlotte and the Pippin Team.

Beacon Class

In Beacon class this week we have been trying to make the most of the coolness in the mornings to continue with our daily walks as well as a few bike rides to keep us active and energised. To support our life skills we have learnt a lot about sun safety, fire safety and road safety too. The learners have been making signs and art work to remind themselves about how to keep safe in each of these. The learners have been applying their own sun cream and making sure they drink enough water to help cope with the heat. Each afternoon we have been fortunate to have ice lollies to keep cool and we even tried to make our own 'instant' ice-cream – it ended up more like a Macdonald's milkshake but that was equally delicious!

We have had some end of term events with a whole school Mass and joining our friends in celebrating their graduations on Friday. We wish them all the best in their futures. Have a happy weekend and try to stay cool!

Beacon class.

Discovery Class

Hello from Discovery Class!

In Discovery Class this week we have been trying to keep everyone cool and happy with the rising temperature as the week has progressed. We have been taking our walks early in the morning while it has been cool. The pupils have been having time together to socialise and just be friends while getting prepared for the Graduation Assembly today. Five of our pupils are having their graduation today and we have been looking back at photos of them and remembering their time here. We wish them all the very best as they move onto the next stage in their lives.

Have a cool and restful weekend.

The Discovery Class team.

Bramley Class

Hello from Bramley class,

We have been trying to keep extra cool this week, enjoying lots of low arousal activities such as sensory play and music sessions. We have also been enjoying lots of ice lolly treats for our afternoon snack. We have continued our sensory story on holidays for our final week as next week we will be doing lots of end of year activities and assemblies. We have also completed our class rainbow project this week as we completed the final 2 colours (blue and purple) using paints and materials – we can't wait to display it in class for everyone to see! This week in cooking we made fruit salad – we used strawberries, kiwis, oranges, grapes, mango and pineapple. We loved exploring the different fruits and tasting them. This week, instead of assembly, we are celebrating with some of our friends at St Elizabeth's school as they are leaving and graduating.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and can safely enjoy the beautiful weather.

From Chloe and the Bramley team.

Stirling Class

Stirling class worked on a range of activities this week, some related to European Womens' Football Championships 2022 and the Tour de France. A Couple of students are tracking and logging the scores to and relaying this to the class. Students did work related to the Tour de France, finding out about France initially, and then some specifics about the actual event itself. They looked at the route the race takes around France, and plotted some of this, as well as learning about map coordinates specifically.

Continuing the French theme, students learnt about Bastille Day and the French Revolution on Thursday 14th. They then completed some IPad research work, finding out about Bastille Day and about France more generally. We also watched some of the live Bastille Day celebrations on TV.

Students continue to keep fit while the weather is slightly milder, with walks or bike rides around the campus. We have also been visiting the canteen once a week for a short break and mini breakfast; good for team-building.

Students continue to read on a daily basis and most kindly volunteer to read aloud when we do the Book reading each morning. We also continue to try and watch Newsround each day, and follow this with a discussion of some of the reports raised on the programme.

We are all looking forward to the imminent summer holidays, and we are all really proud of all the hard work and efforts the students have made this summer term.