



“We put Christ at the Centre of our Lives.”

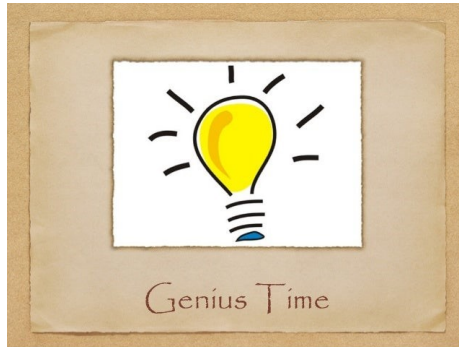


**Newsletter Date:
Friday 21st January, 2022**

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

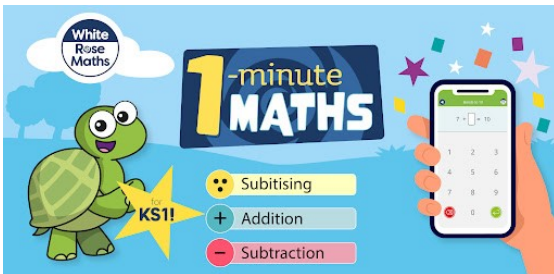
Genius Time!

It's really lovely to see a growing number of children arrive at 8:40am for Genius Time. As you know from previous communications, all classes open their doors that little bit earlier to provide children with the opportunity to start the day with some reading, listening to classical music, or catching up on Renaissance quizzes. Teaching staff also use this time to provide catch up work, deliver interventions or to help children get organised before lessons begin at 8:55am. If you haven't yet, please do join us from 8:40am for Genius Time.



Attendance for last week : 95.5%

FS1am	94.3%
FS1pm	30.0%
FS1 30hrs	92.7%
FS2KW	92.1%
FS2TG	97.1%
Y1RB	94.3%
Y1CG	97.6%
Y2DK	94.7%
Y2RT	95.5%
Y3HA	99.3%
Y3AN	98.7%
Y4NH	100%
Y4 SM	87.2%
Y5SC	90.4%
Y5VD	97.3%
Y6GM	95.9%
Y6NS	95.7%



White Rose Maths app

Across school from Foundation Stage to Year 6, we follow the White Rose Scheme of Learning for Maths.

White Rose have launched a free Maths app which is designed to be a quick, fun and engaging way to develop children's mathematical fluency. The app is suitable for Key Stage 1 children although children in Key Stage 2 may find it useful as a revision tool. To download the app, search **1 Minute Maths** on the App Store.

Word of the Week

The Word of the Week next week is **Challenge**. This word will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



Year Group Mass

Year 3 will celebrate Mass next week in church. Unfortunately, parents and parishioners will not be able to attend due to current restrictions.



Covid 19: Important Information

Presently, we have confirmed positive Covid-19 cases in school. If your child is unwell, and displays any of the following symptoms, please arrange for them to be tested. Either a Lateral Flow Test or PCR. The common symptoms are: continuous cough, high temperature and a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell. Please also note the following updated rules at the end of an isolation period.

Information on the changes to the self-isolation period for individuals who test positive for COVID-19

The 10 day self-isolation period for people who record a positive PCR test result for COVID-19 has **been reduced to 5 days** in certain circumstances, unless you cannot test for any reason.

- Individuals may now take **Lateral Flow (LFD)** tests on **Day 5 and Day 6** of their self-isolation period.
- Those who receive **two negative test results** are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation.
- **The first test** must be taken **no earlier than Day 5** of the self-isolation period and **tests must be taken 24 hours apart**. This also applies to children under 5, with LFD testing at parental or guardian discretion.
- **If both lateral flow tests are negative**, then pupils can return to school from **Day 6**. (If you take the test at 7:00am each day – 24hrs apart – then you can come to school at 9:00am on Day 6 as you will have two negative tests. If you take it later in the day, then you would have to attend on the next day or from the time you have a second negative result after 24 hrs have passed. **Please note that anyone who is unable to take LFD tests will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.**
- People who test positive with a lateral flow test **do not** need to order a follow-up PCR test if they do not have symptoms. Anyone who has symptoms will still need to take a PCR test regardless, and anyone who tests positive with any test must self-isolate.

Daily testing for close contacts of COVID-19

People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time.

- Children under 5 are not being advised to take part in daily testing of close contacts.
- If a child under 5 is a contact of a confirmed case, they are not required to self-isolate and should not start daily testing.
- If they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 they should limit their contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID-19, and arrange to take a PCR test as soon as possible. They can continue to attend an education or childcare setting while waiting for the PCR result. If the test is positive, they should follow the [stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed COVID-19 infection](#).

Have you seen our new-look website yet? Visit us now:

<https://www.st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk/>

The Lime Trees



Wrap around care for our school is provided by the Lime Trees. Places can be booked by contacting them on 0115 9313562. Please see our website for more details.