



"We put Christ at the Centre of our Lives."



Newsletter Date:
Friday 6th January, 2023

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Happy New Year!

A very warm welcome back to school. Happy New Year to you all. May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2023.

It's been lovely to hear so many of our children tell me how they enjoyed their Christmas break. From seeing the children at work and speaking to the teachers, it seems that everyone has returned eagerly as we begin this term. By the end of next week, you will receive a copy of this term's Curriculum Matters Newsletter from your class teacher, which will outline the learning that will take place between now and Easter.



Staffing Updates

Congratulations to Miss Galvin who safely delivered Ida June on New Year's Day. Mum and baby are both doing well. We wish Miss Galvin and her family well as they enjoy every moment of Ida's arrival. We welcome Mr. Davies who is covering Miss Galvin's maternity leave (although he has unfortunately been unwell so will be with us soon).

I'm also delighted to welcome Mrs Adeyanju as Teaching Assistant working in Foundation Stage, Mr Brown as our Year 5 Teaching Assistant and Mrs Carter as Teaching Assistant in Year 3, covering Mrs Dodds' maternity leave. Next week, we are also looking forward to welcoming Mr Rejter as our Sports TA Apprentice.



Attendance this week:
93.7%

FS2KW	100%
FS2TG	91.7%
Y1RB	91.7%
Y1CG	80.0%
Y2JY	90.0%
Y2RT	100%
Y3GM/ZJ	93.5%
Y3AN	100%
Y4NH	100%
Y4DK	93.9%
Y5SC	96.7%
Y5VD	89.7%
Y6HG	90.6%
Y6LB/NS	93.8%

Celebration of Holy Mass

Many thanks to Fr. Shalbin for celebrating Mass this morning to mark the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. Sincere thanks to all our children, in particular our Chaplaincy Team, for making the Mass so special.

This half term, Year Group Masses will be celebrated in **St. Philip's Church** at **10.30am** as below:

Date	Year Group
10.01.2023	NO MASS
17.01.2023	Year 5
24.01.2023	Year 4DK
31.01.2023	Year 3
07.02.2023	Year 2

As always, you are most welcome to join us.

Word of the Week

The Word of the Week next week is **Discipleship** (or **Follow** for Foundation Stage children). This word will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



First Holy Communion

For parents of children in Year 3 or above intending for their child to receive First Holy Communion this year, please note that our First Holy Communion celebration will take place on **Sunday 11th June** at 10:00am. More details will follow in the next few weeks but I wanted to share the date early for you to add to your diary.