



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

Newsletter Date:
Friday 27th May

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Jubilee Celebrations

On Wednesday, we held our own Jubilee Celebrations in school to mark the Queen's 70 years of dedication and service. We had a great time dressing up in red, white or blue. The children learnt lots about the decade they'd been given to learn more about too.

To help remember this special event, each child was presented with a special book; I'm sure these will be treasured for years to come.



A special thanks to you, parents/carers for the effort that you went to. The children looked incredible! I'd also like to thank Miss Astbury too for planning and organising the day, and for our wonderful kitchen staff for preparing a delicious packed lunch.

Could you be our next Foundation Governor?

Are you looking for a way to live out your faith and serve your local community at the same time?

If so, becoming a Foundation Governor could be just the thing for you. Bishop Patrick McKinney is seeking to appoint new foundation governors to our diocesan schools. Foundation governors play a vital role in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of our schools.



To find out more, please join the 'Calling Foundation Governors' virtual event, designed to provide information about the role of a foundation governor, the application process and the support offered. This takes place on **Wednesday 22nd June, between 7.00pm and 8.30pm via MS Teams**. To reserve your place, contact Julie

Attendance last week:	
94.2%	
FS1am	93.8%
FS1pm	62.2%
FS1 30hrs	93.8%
FS2KW	94.7%
FS2TG	86.4%
Y1RB	89.7%
Y1CG	92.7%
Y2DK	98.7%
Y2RT	97.7%
Y3HA	96.3%
Y3AN	93.4%
Y4NH	95.4%
Y4 SM	98.2%
Y5SC	94.5%
Y5VD	90.9%
Y6GM	93.2%
Y6NS	97.3%

Congratulations!

We offer our sincere congratulations to Miss Hufton who got married last week. We wish the new Mr & Mrs Berry every happiness as they begin married life together.



Half Term is here!

Please be reminded that school is now closed for the Half Term break. We re-open on Monday 6th June at 8.40am. Have a wonderful break. Unfortunately, Lime Trees, our wrap around care provider is unable to offer childcare in our setting during half term, but they do have availability at their other sites. Please contact them for more details on 0115 9313562 or visit www.thelimetrees.co.uk

Free School Meals

With costs rising rapidly, now might be a good time to check if you are eligible for Free School Meals. At present, every child receives a free school meal until the end of Year 2. However, children from Year 3 can also receive free school meals. To check if you're eligible and to apply, please [click here](#). As always, our Office Team will help you if needed. For all parents with a child currently in Year 2, I'd strongly advise that you check to see if you are eligible ready for when they move to Year 3.



Word of the Week

After half term, our Word of the Week is **Pentecost**, which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



Holy Mass

It was wonderful to hold our first whole school Mass in over two years on Thursday to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. The children were absolutely incredible. Thank you to the parents and parishioners who were able to join us too.

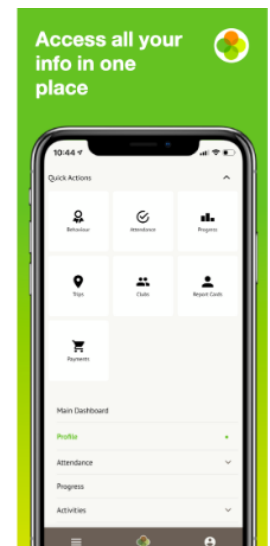
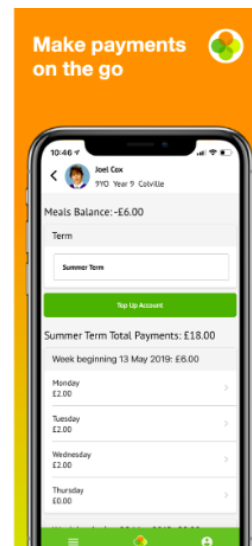
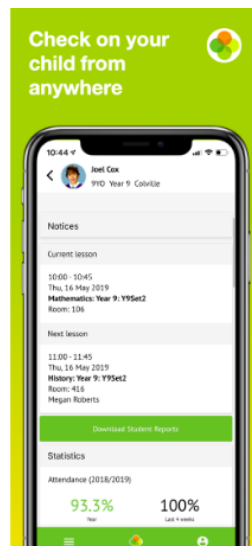
After Half Term, Mass will be celebrated with **Year 3** on **Wednesday 8th June at 9.30am**. It would be lovely if you could join us in church.

Arbor

Thank you! Over 80% of our parents have downloaded and set up our new payment and communication App, Arbor.

As stated last week, this is now the only method that payments can be made.

If you haven't yet downloaded the App, we urge that you do this as soon as possible. Please be assured that if you have any difficulties, the Office Team will support you in every way — just pop into Reception and ask.



Attendance

Please remember that our aim is for each child to attend school for 97% of sessions. This week, some classes' average attendance is significantly below this. Please ensure your child is not absent without good reason. Thank you in advance for your support.