



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



Newsletter Date:
Friday 14th October, 2022

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

End of Half Term

We've made it to the end of a very busy first term, which seems to have flown by really quickly. Thank you for your support this term with ensuring your child is in school and here on time, and for your help with hearing your child read and complete their weekly homework tasks.



I hope you have a relaxing half term break and that you manage to spend some quality family together. Please be reminded that school re-opens on Monday 31st October.

Little Acts of Kindness

In order to support our families with the rise in the cost of living, the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi-Academy Trust has set up the Little Acts of Kindness Fund to offer financial support for all registered pupils who attending schools in the Trust. The Fund supplements families who need support in paying for:

- Curriculum trips and year group residential (up to 100% of the cost);
- Other educational visits and trips;
- School uniform, shoes or sports/PE kit;
- School meals;
- Educational equipment.



Please note that all payments are discretionary and if awarded, do not need to be repaid. Pupils may be eligible for grants from the fund if: household income is below £25,000; a pupil whose parents are currently claiming other means-tested benefits including: Income Support, Working Tax Credit/ Child Tax Credit, Income Based Employment and Support Allowance (ESA), Universal Credit – who is not entitled to free school meals; or at the decision of the Headteacher or the Trust's Head of Finance, any pupil who does not fall under the categories listed above, but consider themselves to be in financial hardship. Further details of the Little Acts of Kindness Fund can be found [here](#) along with the Application Form which can be downloaded to apply.

Parents' Evening

It has been wonderful to welcome you back into school for a face-to-face Parents' Evening this week after a couple of years of meeting virtually. In order for your child to flourish and achieve their potential, working together is essential so thank you for taking the time to meet with your child's teacher. For those of you who were unable to make an appointment, the School Office will be in touch to arrange a meeting after Half Term.

Attendance this week:

94.5%

FS2KW	93.1%
FS2TG	95.5%
Y1RB	96.8%
Y1CG	94.5%
Y2JY	96.5%
Y2RT	97.2%
Y3GM/ZI	96.3%
Y3AN	94.3%
Y4NH	97.4%
Y4DK	96.1%
Y5SC	96.4%
Y5VD	97.0%
Y6HA	93.2%
Y6LB/NS	96.6%

Year 6 Parents – Secondary Applications: Final Reminder

For parents of pupils in Year 6, the deadline to apply for a secondary school place is nearly here. **It is absolutely essential that all applications are made to your home Local Authority by the national closing date of Monday 31st October, 2021.** Nottinghamshire applications can be made [here](#).

For the overwhelming majority of you who will be applying for a place at All Saints', please note that you must complete a **Supplementary Form** from All Saints' **as well as** the **Local Authority application form**. Information on admissions to All Saints' can be found here: <https://www.allsaints.notts.sch.uk/information/admissions/>.



It is important to note that if a late application is made, then this will not be considered until all other applications have been allocated; this means you may not be allocated a place in your preferred choice of school.

October – the Month of the Holy Rosary

Thank you so much to the many families who were able to join Mrs Shivley in the Spiritual Garden at the end of each day to share a decade of the Rosary. It would be wonderful if you could continue to pray a decade of the Rosary each day throughout the remainder of October to honour Our Lady.



Word of the Week

When we return after Half Term, our Word of the Week is **Relationships** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



Holy Mass

Our next celebration of **Holy Mass** is on **Tuesday 1st November at 10:30am** for the whole school. This to mark the Feast of All Saints', which is a holy day of obligation. As always, you are most welcome to join us in St. Philip's church for this celebration.

Baby News

We are excited to announce that our Nursery Teaching Assistant, Miss Brailsford is pregnant. This is such wonderful news and I know you'll join your prayers and well-wishes with ours.



Wedding Bells

During the Half Term holidays, Miss Astbury will be getting married; she will return from the break as Mrs Gregory. We wish the new Mr and Mrs Gregory every happiness on their Wedding Day and much fun, laughter and joy as they begin their journey as husband and wife. Huge congratulations.



Goodbye & Good Luck...

Goodbye to our Midday Supervisor, Mrs Waseem, who leaves our school today. We thank her for all that she has done for us and wish her all the best for the future.