

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



Newsletter Date: Friday 25th November, 2022

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Catholic Life: Prayer Fayre

This weekend, the Church celebrates the first week of Advent. In order to prepare our children for the coming of Jesus this Christmas, the Chaplaincy Team are hosting our first ever *Prayer Fayre* on Monday. They have chosen to run stalls with Advent-related activities.



Activities will include: wreath-making, creating an outside Nativity in our Spiritual Garden, designing a star garland for the Garden, creating cards for our older or lonely parishioners, contributing to a whole-school Advent Prayer and writing a class song. Each class will visit on Monday and we hope you get to hear about it. You are most welcome to visit the Nativity scene in our Spiritual Garden throughout Advent.

Parent Voice

Thank you so much for taking the time to answer our Parent View survey which closed last Friday. We are delighted that so many of you were able to provide us with your views. The results of the survey can be viewed here. Whilst we're extremely pleased with the outcome, the Senior Leadership Team will now use your responses to develop our school further.

One way of doing this will be through working more closely with you through our **Parent Voice Group**, the first of which is being held in school this coming **Wednesday**, **starting at 9am**. **The theme for our first meeting is Communication**. If you're able to join us, please report to the School Office after dropping off your child. We're really looking forward to welcoming you into school.

Attendance this week:				
95.7%				
FS2KW	98.0%			
FS2TG	95.7%			
Y1RB	93.3%			
Y1CG	95.3%			
Y2JY	93.7%			
Y2RT	98.3%			
Y3GM/ZJ	88.4%			
Y3AN	96.1%			
Y4NH	96.1%			
Y4DK	98.5%			
Y5SC	97.0%			
Y5VD	97.7%			
Ү6НG	95.6%			
Y6LB/NS	95.6%			

If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to share your views, these can be emailed to us: office24@st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk ensuring Parent Voice is the title of your subject.

Morning Drop Off

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Please be politely reminded that the area between our car park barrier and Tesco's delivery gate should not be used to park in. This area must be kept completely free so deliveries can be made to Tesco. Given that articulated lorries use this area, along with cars and buses entering school, it is not a safe area to drop off your child.

Staff welcoming the children on the front gate this week have also noticed some parents pulling up near the exit barrier to drop their child off. In the interest of safety, please refrain from doing this.

Clothing

Once again, the amount of lost property is beginning to build. If children's possessions are clearly labelled with their name, staff endeavor to return this. However, most of the items in the Lost Property area do not contain names. If your child has recently lost an item of clothing, you're welcome to check our Lost Property box at the end of the school day, which is in the Dining Hall.

Please also ensure your child brings a coat with them each day. Although the weather is now much colder, the children still play outside so it's essential they come to school each day with appropriate clothing.

Christmas Fayre

SPA will be holding their Christmas Fayre on Friday 16th December from 2pm. If you (or anyone you know) would be interested in running a stall, please let us know by contacting our School Office.

We are still looking for donations for the Christmas Fayre. Items wanted include bottles, bottle bags, baubles, raffle prizes etc. Please pop into the Office if you have any gifts you're able to donate. Thanks so much in advance.



Word of the Week

Our Word of the Week next week is **Joy** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.

Holy Mass

Next week, Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday at 10.30am with Year 1.** As ever, families and parishioners are most welcome to join us in Church.

Admissions

For parents wishing for a Reception place from September 2023, now is the time to apply. The application window will be open until the deadline of 15th January. Applications can be made through the Nottinghamshire County Council Admissions Hub. Please also remember to submit a Supplementary Information Form if you wish for a school place to be considered under a faith criterion. Please note that you MUST include the supporting evidence with this form. If you are unable to locate the required faith evidence, please contact the parish where your child was baptised in good time for a 'copy' certificate to be supplied. All the details and relevant forms can be found on the Admissions section of our website.

Please also note that we are now completely full in all year groups across the school. Unfortunately, admissions for all year groups will not be offered.

Key Dates This Term:

Please find the key dates below for our Nativity and Carol Concerts during Advent.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Classes Involved
Tuesday 6th December	09.30	Nativity	School Hall	Key Stage 1
Tuesday 6th December	14.00	Nativity	School Hall	Key Stage 1
Monday 12th December	18.00	Carol Concert	St. Philip's RC Church	Year 3 & Year 4
Tuesday 13th December	09.30	Nativity	School Hall	Foundation Stage
Tuesday 13th December	14.00	Nativity	School Hall	Foundation Stage
Friday 16th December	14:00	Christmas Fayre	School Hall	Whole School
Wednesday 21st December	14.00	Carol Concert	St. Philip's RC Church	Year 5 & 6