



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

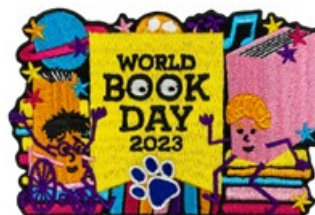


**Newsletter Date:**  
**Friday 3rd February, 2023**

## St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

### World Book Day

It was great to see our children in their pyjamas/comfy clothes and World Book Day costumes on Wednesday. Thank you, as ever, for getting involved with this. We hope our celebrations have inspired our children with a love of reading.



In recognition of celebrating World Book Day, each child has received a £1 book token. If you've misplaced it or you can't find your child's token, don't worry as a new one can be downloaded [here](#). Please remember to redeem your voucher by 26th March.

As I'm sure you're already aware, research confirms that children who read regularly typically perform higher at school than those who do not. Given this, we hope to be able to work together so that your child achieves World Book Day's 6 Principles to fall in love with Reading:

1. Being read to regularly.
2. Having books at home and at school.
3. Having a choice of what to read.
4. Finding time to read.
5. Having trusted help to find a book.
3. Making reading fun!

### CAFOD's Big Lent Walk

Well done to all children (and their teachers!) as they have been for a daily walk for over a week now, since the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. As you'll have seen in last week's Newsletter, we aim to walk 200km in 40 days to support CAFOD's aim of fighting global poverty. If you are able to donate, we'd really appreciate it. £10 can provide four palm trees to protect land from extreme weather, £26 can help to build raised beds that protect vegetables from flooding.

More information can be found here: <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/big-lent-walk>. Thank you so much for your support.

### Fairtrade Fortnight

Many thanks to our Chaplaincy Team for showing their support for Fairtrade Fortnight, which runs until 12th March. We hope you've managed to see their posters around school promoting Fairtrade. We're also collecting any Fairtrade items — food and non-food (but not perishables) which we'll donate to the Sherwood Forest Foodbank. If you're able to support us, please bring any products to school.



**Attendance this week:**

**95.5%**

FS2KW	97.0%
FS2TG	97.0%
Y1RB	95.3%
Y1CG	95.0%
Y2JY	96.0%
Y2RT	90.7%
Y3GM/ZJ	94.5%
Y3AN	93.3%
Y4NH	98.4%
Y4DK	97.9%
Y5SC	99.0%
Y5VD	97.0%
Y6HG	93.4%
Y6LB/NS	92.8%



## Parents' Evening

As confirmed in last week's Newsletter, Parents' Evening will take place later this month on Tuesday 21st March and Thursday 23rd March. These will be face-to-face meetings in school. From next week, you will receive the usual form to complete, which requests your preferred date and time of appointment. Once returned to us, teachers will collate this information then provide you with an appointment time.

## Parent Voice

Our next Parent Voice Meeting takes place next week — on Wednesday 8th March at 9am. The focus of this meeting is to discuss **Homework**. We look forward to hearing your views and suggestions. As always, there will be a warm welcome and a biscuit or two!

If you're not able to make it to the meeting but would like to share your views, please email any comments to [Office24@st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk](mailto:Office24@st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk)

## Year 5 Residential Visit

Please keep our Year 5 children in your thoughts and prayers next week as they will spend time in Hathersage, Derbyshire for their Residential Visit. I'm sure they will have the most wonderful time. We pray for reasonable, spring-like weather!

## Maternity Leave

We say goodbye and good luck to Miss Holly Brailsford in our Nursery who begins her Maternity Leave from today. We wish her much rest ready for the arrival of her little one. She will be missed by us all.

From Monday, Mr Ben Harlow will cover Miss Brailsford's Maternity in Nursery.

## Holy Mass

**Year 5VD** will celebrate **Holy Mass** at St. Philip's RC Church next **Tuesday at 10:30**. As always, you are most welcome to join us. Mass will be celebrated with **Year 4** on Tuesday 14th March at 10:30am.

## Word of the Week

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

## Diary Dates

Well done to our Foundation Stage and Key Stage One children for our first ever Choral Verse Assembly today. They performed brilliantly. Please find below some of the key events taking place before Half Term:

Date	Time	Event	Classes Involved
Friday 10th March	3:00pm	Come & See Assembly for Parents	Year 3
6th March—10th March		Residential Visit	Year 5
Friday 17th March	3:00pm	Choral Verse Assembly for Parents	Key Stage 2
Tuesday 21st March	3:45pm—6:00pm	Parents' Evening	Whole School
Thursday 23rd March	3:45pm—6:00pm	Parents' Evening	Whole School
Friday 31st March	3:00pm	Easter Presentation for Parents	Key Stage 2