

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



Newsletter Date: Friday 31st March, 2023

Attendance this week:

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

#### End of Term

As another term draws to a close, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued and relentless support. This week alone, it's been tremendous to see how involved you have been with your child's learning from joining us for Landing Days, attending Parents' Meetings and presentations, and for coming along to support your child in our assemblies. It is a real privilege to work in partnership with you all as we strive to provide your child with the best possible start in life. We look forward to continuing to work together with you in the final term of this academic year.

Please note that **school is now closed** for the Easter Break. I wish you all a very happy and holy Easter and look forward to welcoming our children back on **Monday 17th April**. For details of Mass times during Holy Week, please see the Parish Newsletter, which can be viewed here.



#### **Easter Liturgy**

To conclude the term, our Foundation and Key Stage 1 children came together to learn about the events of Holy Week yesterday in a special Stations of the Cross liturgy. Meanwhile, the Chaplaincy Team lead Key Stage 2 and parents in a dramatisation of the final days of Jesus' life to His crucifixion. This was a very moving and fitting way to remember the sacrifice Jesus made for us all. Many thanks to Mrs Wood for preparing the Chaplaincy Team for this beautiful Liturgy.

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Y2RT	95.2%
Y3GM/ZJ	95.4%
Y3AN	90.9%
Y4NQ	98.1%
Y4DK	94.2%
Y5SC	97.3%
Y5VD	99.0%
Y6HG	94.3%
Y6LB/NS	98.8%

# Easter Egg Raffle

We ended the term with our eggciting Easter Egg raffle yesterday, which raised an impressive £923 for SPA, our PTA. Many thanks for your generosity. The stage was literally full of Easter Eggs! SPA will use these proceeds to fund the Year 6 Leavers' Party at the end of the academic year. This money will also be used to fund a whole school trip to Mansfield Palace Theatre for the pantomime next academic year.



# **Big Lent Walk**

That's it! We've completed the Big Lent Walk, raising money for CAFOD. Well done to all of our children for walking a lap of the track every day during Lent. Huge thanks for your donations too. If you are able to donate, please bring any monies with your child to school and we will present this to CAFOD at the beginning of the next term.

For more information about how CAFOD will use your donations click here.



#### **Cross Country**

Well done to the Year 4 and 5 children who took part in last Saturday morning's Cross Country Race at Berry Hill Park. They all did brilliantly, finishing 5th in the team competition. Very well done to Sebastian in Year 5 for finishing in 7th place out of a field of over 50! Watch this space for a Cross Country Club which we hope to be starting soon after the Easter break. Many thanks to Miss Nicholls for organising this event.

### **Science Competition**

There's still time to enter our Science Week competition.

#### Can you make the best marble run?

It can be made out of any resources you have at home. Once complete, test it out and see how well it works.

Please send a photo/video of your marble run to your child's class teacher via dojo. We're looking forward to seeing photos or videos of your creations. Closing Date: Friday 21st April.

### **Mrs Phillips**

This week, we welcome back our SENCo, Mrs Phillips who returns from Maternity Leave. She has spent this week working alongside Mrs Stimpson to provide for a smooth handover. Mrs Phillips' working days are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

May I take this opportunity to thank Mrs Stimpson for her extraordinary work as acting SENCo in Mrs Phillips' absence; she has worked tirelessly to support our SEND pupils and their families over this last year. Mrs Stimpson will continue to provide PPA cover to some of our classes across school.



#### **Word of the Week**

Following the Easter holidays, our Word of the Week will be **Alleluia** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



Please be reminded that Year Group Masses will resume from 25th April. A Mass rota will be shared after the Easter break.

# **Important Dates**

Following the Easter break, some of our pupils will complete national assessments. It is imperative that children are in school for these tests. The key dates are as below:

Year Group	Assessment	Dates
Year 1	Phonics Screening Check	Between 12th June and 16th June
Year 2	KS1 SATs	During May 2023
Year 4	Multiplication Tables Check	Between 5th June and 16th June
Year 6	KS2 SATs	Between 9th May and 12th May

#### Attendance

Please remember that all absences need to be reported to school. This can be communicated in one of the following ways:

A phone call to the school office (01623 489010) selecting Option 1;

An email to our office email address (office24@st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk);

Via Dojo. Please DO NOT contact your child's class teacher; instead, send a message to the Office. You may also send messages via the Arbor SMS system.