



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

Newsletter Date:
Friday 16th June, 2023

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Statutory Assessments

Mrs Harris and the Key Stage 1 team are so proud of the children that took their Phonics Screening Check this week. They were all absolute superstars! As a reward for their hard work, the children enjoyed a biscuit and juice. They also received a certificate in assembly. The children's phonics score will be in their school reports as the pass mark has not been released yet.

We also very proud of our Year 4 children who have been completing their Multiplication Time Tables Check over the last two weeks. The children have approached these checks with confidence and courage. Well done Year 4! Each child's results from this check will be shared in end of year reports.

Class Structure — Academic Year 2022-23

I am able to confirm that next year's Class Structure will be as follows:

	Class A	Class B
Nursery	Mrs Quinn	
Reception	Miss Wheatley	Mrs Moody
Year 1	Mrs Jefferies & Mrs Steele	Mr Davies
Year 2	Mrs Taylor	Miss Young
Year 3	Miss Nicholls	Miss Bowler
Year 4	Mrs Kerr	Mr Foulkes
Year 5	Mrs Dickie & Mrs Clarke	Miss Canning
Year 6	Mr Bovell	Mrs Gregory

At the beginning of July, we will confirm more specific information about each class and their next teacher. You'll also note that we have two planned Transition Days in July, which will provide the opportunity for children and adults to meet each other before the new school year. We will, of course, keep you updated over the next few weeks.

Attendance Matters

Please be reminded that a Leave of Absence Request Form must be completed whenever your child will not be in school, for example to attend a funeral, a religious celebration or a family holiday. This is regardless of whether the absence is likely to be authorised or not. Please collect these forms from the office *before the absence*.

A copy of our Attendance Policy can be found [here](#).

Attendance this week:
94.5%

FS2KW	91.0%
FS2TG	95.3%
Y1RB	95.7%
Y1CG	93.2%
Y2JY	96.7%
Y2RT	95.0%
Y3GM/ZJ	88.3%
Y3AN	95.8%
Y4NQ	98.8%
Y4DK	96.6%
Y5SC	92.0%
Y5VD	98.0%
Y6HG	92.2%
Y6LB/NS	93.1%

Parent Voice Group: You Said, We Did...



Our Parent Voice Group met just before the half term break to discuss Communication. The main points raised and actions are below:

You Said...	We Did/Will Do...
For dates to be a permanent fixture in the weekly School Newsletter.	Actioned and now in place.
For dates to be shared further in advance.	Actioned. From September, we will share important dates (such as Nativity Plays, Sports Days, Summer Fayres) at the <i>beginning</i> of each academic year.
For communication about after school clubs to be improved.	Actioned. A new after school sports club provider has been secured for the new academic year to increase and strengthen provision. We will work with the provider to ensure communication is effective. We will also improve our communication about the clubs on offer and share inform more quickly if a club needs to be cancelled or changed.
For teachers' communication through Class Dojo to be more consistent.	Senior Leaders are currently putting together a protocol that will be shared with teachers ready for the beginning of the next academic year. The aim of this is to provide greater consistency in the way teachers communicate with you through Dojo.
Arbor: parents are happy with Arbor and like the app. It was asked if a notification can be sent when credit drops below £10 so that the account can be topped up.	Actioned. We have contacted Arbor but sadly there is not the facility at present to do this. They have said that they'd look into whether this feature could be added.
Parents expressed an eagerness for there to be more community events next year and for the diversity of the school to be celebrated more.	Actioned. A PTA meeting was held this morning to explore and consider community events next year. Exciting plans have been discussed which will be shared in due course. If you have any creative ideas for community events, please get in touch and share. Mark your email for the attention of the PTA: office24@st-philipneri.notts.sch.uk
Parents felt that events happening in church could be shared on the school newsletter to strengthen links between church and school.	This has been considered by Senior Leaders but with such an active parish, there are too many events to share! However, we always share the Parish Newsletter on our website and each week on Class Dojo and will continue to do so.
Parents felt communication of the school's PTA (SPA) needed to be strengthened.	To be actioned. At this morning's PTA Meeting, this feedback was agreed and accepted. The name of SPA will change so it is simply called the PTA . They have lots of plans to raise their profile (see overleaf). They are, however, desperate for more volunteers. Please let Mr Steele, Mrs Shivley or Mrs Banks know if you'd be interested to find out more or join.

Many thanks to the parents/carers for sharing the views and ultimately shaping our school. The next Parent Voice group will meet on Wednesday 6th July at 9am. The theme will be to discuss PTA and PTA events. We'd love to see you there for a chat, coffee and biscuits!

Upcoming PTA Events

Starting next week (23rd June) **ICE-LOLLY Friday!** A table will be set up after school on the Key Stage 2 playground and one near the track on the field selling ice-lollies for just **30p!**

Summer Fayre. CHANGE OF DATE: Now on **Friday 21st July** due to volunteers' availability. This will run from 2pm until 3.20pm for children who bring money but will not have a parent able to attend after school. The Summer Fayre will then re-open at 3.40pm for all children to return with their families. The PTA have asked for any donations for **RAFFLE PRIZES** for the Summer Fayre. These can be brought into class from next week. Thank you in advance. There will be a non-uniform day on Monday 17th July in exchange for a bottle for the Bottle Stall.

Mass

Next week, Reception children will visit St. Philip's Church for a short service as part of their 'Our World' topic. **This will be at 1:30pm.** As ever, families and parishioners are most welcome to join us in Church. See below for Mass times for the rest of this term:

Date	Time	Who's Involved?
Thursday 29th June	9.30am	Whole School
Tuesday 4th July	10.00am	First Holy Communion Children
Tuesday 11th July	10.30am	No Mass
Tuesday 18th July	10.30am	Year 2
Tuesday 25th July	10.30am	Year 6

Word of the Week

Next week, our Word of the Week will be **Knowledge** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



First Holy Communion

Huge congratulations to the 31 children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last weekend. We had a truly wonderful celebration of these wonderful young people's commitment to their faith. We pray that, through returning regularly to the feast of the Holy Mass, they are strengthened by the Eucharist.

Key Dates

Date	Time	Event	Location	Who's Involved?
Thursday 29th June	9.30am	Whole School Mass	St. Philip's Church	Whole school
Wednesday 5th July	9.00am	Parent Voice Meeting	In school	All parents welcome
Friday 7th July	2pm & 4pm	Year 6 Play	School Hall	Year 6
11th July & 12th July	All Day	Transition Days		Whole school
Monday 17th July	All Day	Non-uniform Day		Whole School
Monday 17th July	9.15am—10.15am	Sports Day	School Field	FS2TG & FS1 (am)
Monday 17th July	2pm—3pm	Sports Day	School Field	FS2KW & FS1 (pm)
Tuesday 18th July	9.15am—10.45am	Sports Day	School Field	Year 5
Tuesday 18th July	11am—12.30pm	Sports Day	School Field	Year 6
Wednesday 19th July	9.30am—11.30am	Sports Day	School Field	Year 1 & 2
Thursday 20th July	9.15am—10.45am	Sports Day	School Field	Year 3
Thursday 20th July	2.00pm—3.15pm	Sports Day	School Field	Year 4
Friday 21st July	From 2pm	Summer Fayre	In school	Whole school