



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



Newsletter Date:
Friday 30th June, 2023

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Term Dates: Academic Year 23-24

We have now finalised our Term Dates for the next academic year. Please [click here](#) for the yearly overview. Please note that school will also be closed to all children on the following dates for our INSET days:

Monday 4th September 2023
Tuesday 5th September 2023
Wednesday 6th September 2023
Friday 9th February 2024
Monday 3rd June 2024

Did you know?

Our Website also contains the school holiday calendar for 2024-25 so you can book holidays/trips/visits in advance.

The new school year for all children will therefore begin on **Thursday 7th September**. Please be reminded that the final day of this academic year is Tuesday 25th July.

OfSTED Report

We are delighted to be able to share our latest OfSTED Report following last month's Inspection. The Inspector was able to confirm that **we continue to be a good school** and recognises our many strengths.



It is pleasing the inspection recognised that 'pupils are happy and safe' and parents and carers 'appreciate the family ethos and nurturing environment.' We are also proud of

the fact the report recognises the strengths of our curriculum which we have been working hard to develop over the last couple of years, as well as the high importance placed on virtues and the development of pupils' spiritual life and well-being.

As can be expected, there are recommendations for future improvements; work towards addressing these has already started. I am certain these areas will also become strengths of the school before too long. Please [click here](#) to read a copy of the Inspection Report.

Attendance this week:
94.1%

FS2KW	93.6%
FS2TG	98.0%
Y1RB	87.3%
Y1CG	91.0%
Y2JY	97.3%
Y2RT	93.3%
Y3GM/ZJ	87.2%
Y3AN	94.5%
Y4NQ	94.7%
Y4DK	95.1%
Y5SC	100%
Y5VD	95.7%
Y6HG	96.6%
Y6LB/NS	93.1%

Parent Voice

Just a reminder that 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!



Uniform & Presentation Policy

Earlier in the year, our Parent Voice group discussed the current uniform policy and provided their views and suggestions ready for its renewal. Senior Leaders have taken these suggestions to form the new [Uniform & Presentation Policy](#) that has been adopted by Governors ready for full implementation from September 2023. **Please take a few minutes to read this policy and understand the changes before buying your child's new school uniform for the next academic year.**

Upcoming PTA Events

Summer Fayre: Friday 21st July: 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. Please bring these into school.

Trust Online Parent Survey

As emailed earlier in the week, the Trust have launched a [Trust-wide parents' survey](#). The purpose of this survey is to provide you with an opportunity to share your thoughts on various aspects of our school. The questions cover a range of topics and will only take 5 minutes to complete.

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Mass

Date	Time	Who's Involved?
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

As ever, families and parishioners are most welcome to join us in Church for each celebration above.

Word of the Week

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



Key Dates

See below for this term's Key Dates. We strongly advise that you check Class Dojo regularly to see notifications of other events, including specific year group activities and Class Charity Events.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Who's Involved?
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
Monday 24th July	3.30pm—8.00pm	End of Year 6 Party	In school	Year 6

The Great Early Years Outdoor Project!

We are restocking and re-organising our Foundation unit and need your help please! Our aim is to develop the outside areas, sourcing as many "loose parts" as we can through our school community. In the spirit of reducing, reusing and recycling, we want to appeal to you for any items from home that might ordinarily be thrown away. We would appreciate items such as:

- (clean) hardware such as nuts and bolts to enhance fine motor skills
- pots and pans and utensils for new mud kitchens
- cable drums of any size
- tyres
- items left from a garden project including clean pebbles, gravel, rocks (to make dinosaur and fairy gardens)
- compost
- flowers, herbs, grasses or plants that can be replanted and grown in different areas outside
- artificial plants (especially the ones that look like succulents)

If anyone has a crafty family member, that can turn a pallette into a music wall, a broom handle into a wellington book rack, or would be inclined to cut up some branches into counting pieces, that would also be amazing.



If you have ANYTHING that you think you might be able to donate, please send Mrs Shively a photograph so we do not double up on items. Please do not be offended if your offerings are not accepted this time as a similar request will be put out again in the future for the rest of school!

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