



“We put Christ at the Centre of our Lives.”

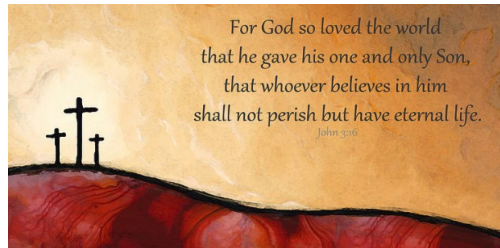


**Newsletter Date:
Friday 15th March, 2024**

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Catholic Life: The Season of Lent

This week’s Word of the Week is *Sacrifice*. Throughout school, we have been considering what *Sacrifice* means and have been reflecting on the ultimate sacrifice that Jesus made for us all — the fact he gave His life to save us from our sins.



We’ve also used this week as an opportunity to consider the sacrifices we’re making during Lent: trying to fast from treats or things that are not good; making more time for prayer to help us become closer to Jesus. And through almsgiving where we make a conscious effort to sacrifice time or money in order to help others.

Our Lenten preparations continue next week with Year 5 and Year 6 visiting Church for a special Stations of the Cross journey and reflection.

Toddler Tales

The next Toddler Tales session will take place on **Wednesday 27th March at 10am** in school. We’d be absolutely delighted if you could join us for a special interactive Easter-themed session. There will be hot drinks, juice and biscuits available, along with some Easter treats too!

For those of you not already aware, Toddler Tales is a fun, interactive way to promote an early love of reading. The sessions also provide us with a good opportunity to get to know the children who may be considering joining our Nursery. Toddler Tales is aimed at parents/carers and their children aged 18 months to 3 years.

There’s no need to sign up. Just come to the School Office shortly before the start time, where Mrs Steele and Mrs Brizzolara will meet you. We look forward to seeing you and your little ones.



Parents’ Evening

Please be reminded that Parents’ Evening will take place next week: on Tuesday and Thursday between 3.45pm and 6pm. These will be face-to-face meetings in school. If you haven’t already, please log in to the Arbor app to book a date and appointment time. Alternatively, please contact your child’s class teacher.

Educating your child is a partnership so it’s expected that all parents/carers attend. Not only will these meetings update you on your child’s engagement, attitude, achievements and friendships, but they will also provide ideas of how to support your child at home. As always, your child’s books can also be viewed; these will be available in classrooms.

Attendance this week: **94.9%**

FS2KW **97.9%**

FS2NM **94.9%**

Y1GV **90.3%**

Y1JS **96.5%**

Y2JY **97%**

Y2RT **92%**

Y3RB **91.6%**

Y3AN **94.2%**

Y4BF **92.3%**

Y4DK **97.5%**

Y5SC **97.5%**

Y5VD **97.8%**

Y6LB **94.7%**

Y6HG **93.4%**

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

Michelle Chambers, Rory's Mum, has asked us to remind all Year 6 parents that she has organised an online shop where Leavers' Hoodies can be purchased. You can make your order [here](#). Please note the link closes on 31st March so orders must be placed before this date. More details can be found on both Year 6 Class Dojo pages.

Year 4 Residential Visit

We welcomed Year 4 back from Mount Cook on Wednesday. The children had the most incredible time taking part in a range of activities including rock climbing, scrambling, orienteering and archery. Huge thanks to the Year 4 team for organising and accompanying the children on this trip, and well done to the children for their exemplary behaviour and attitude.

Easter Egg Raffle

Final Call! Raffle Tickets will be on sale until next Thursday to purchase tickets for the PTA's annual Easter Egg raffle. It's 20p a ticket or £1 a strip. The Raffle will be drawn next Friday. We'd still welcome donations of Easter Eggs too. Thanks so much for your support with this year's Raffle.



Liturgy of the Word/Mass

Please accept my apologies as last week's Newsletter stated that there was a Year 1— Year 6 Mass next week. This is an error. There will not be a Mass/Liturgy of the Word until after the Easter break. The rota for next half term will be shared in next week's Newsletter.

Word of the Week

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

Charity Spotlight, Nursery: WWF



Starting this week, each Newsletter will spotlight one of our class charities. The first is Nursery's adopted charity, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF). The WWF works to sustain the natural world for the benefit of people and wildlife. Their ambitious strategy puts people at the centre and organises their work around six key areas: forests, marine, freshwater, wildlife, food and climate. To find out more or to donate, please visit their website: <https://www.worldwildlife.org/>

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?
19th Mar & 21 Mar	From 3.45pm	Parents' Evening	School Hall & Dining Room	Reception — Y6
Tuesday 26 March	From 9am	Class Photographs	School Hall	Whole School
Thursday 28 March	3pm	Stations of the Cross Presentation	School Hall	Key Stage 2

Next week, Key Dates for the next half term will be shared. Please note that **school will close at 3.30pm on Thursday 28th March** for the Easter Half Term break. **We re-open on Monday 15th April at 8.40am.**