



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



**Newsletter Date:  
Friday 24th May, 2024**

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

## Half Term Is Here!

Please be reminded that school is now closed for the Half Term holiday. Have a wonderful break; we look forward to welcoming you back in June. Following the break, please remember that Monday 3rd June is an INSET Day; school will therefore be closed to all pupils on this day. The final term of this academic year will begin on Tuesday 4th June at 8.40am.

## Toddler Tales

Thank you so much to those families that joined us for Toddler Tales on Wednesday afternoon. Great fun was had exploring the theme of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. If you have a toddler, it's definitely worth making a note in your diary of the next session, which will take place on Wednesday 10th July @2pm where we will be hosting a Teddy Bears' Picnic.



**Toddler Tales**

Attendance this week: <b>93.5%</b>	
FS2KW	95.9%
FS2NM	94.8%
Y1GV	92.3%
Y1JS	84.5%
Y2JY	96%
Y2RT	83.3%
Y3RB	97.8%
Y3AN	91%
Y4BF	93.4%
Y4DK	96.3%
Y5SC	95.6%
Y5VD	96.9%
Y6LB	93.3%
Y6HG	97.6%

## Liturgy of the Word/Mass

Date	Type of Service	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 4th June	Liturgy of the Word	Year 2
Tuesday 11th June	Mass	Year 1
Tuesday 18th June	Liturgy of the Word	Year 4
Tuesday 25th June	Liturgy of the Word	Year 3

As ever, families and parishioners are most welcome to join us at 9.30am in Church for each celebration.

## Word of the Week

When we return after the Half Term break, our Word of the Week is **Eucharist**, which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.

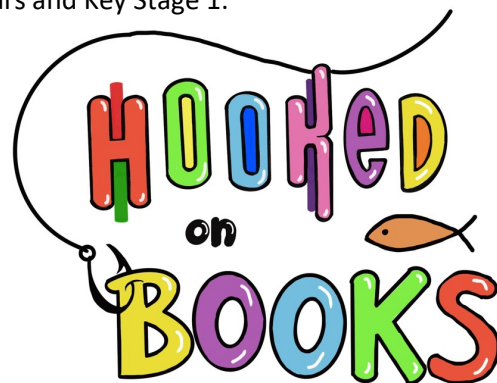


## Hooked On Books

We're really excited to begin our new family reading initiative after half term called Hooked on Books. Hooked on Books will be an opportunity for parents/carers/grandparents to come along and enjoy some quality time sharing our new treasure chests of stories with their children and to stay to listen to a class story at the end of the session together too. There will be opportunities for all classes and their families to take part in this initiative throughout the year starting with the following dates for Early Years and Key Stage 1:

Date	Year Group
6th June	Year 1JS
13th June	Year 2JY
20th June	Nursery & FS2
27th June	Year 1GV
4th July	Year 2RT

Each session will start at 2:45pm in the Hall/the Hub, so please arrive at the School Office a few minutes before this time and the class teacher will be there to greet you. (Nursery and Reception classes session will be in their classroom).



## Baby News



HUGE congratulations to Mrs Phillips who gave birth to a healthy baby girl on Saturday. She has no name as of yet but arrived safe and well weighing 7lb 2oz. Welcome to the world, little girl! Mum and baby are both doing well.

## Staffing Updates

Following the Half Term break, Miss Gosia Dabrowska returns from Maternity Leave.

Each Monday, she will teach in FS2NM, on a Tuesday she will work across all Foundation Stage classes and on a Wednesday, Miss Dabrowska will work in Year 2T. We're really excited to welcome her back. Please note that Gosia will be referred to as Miss Dabrowska when she returns.



## Interested in becoming a Governor?

Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in raising academic standards. The role of the governing body is absolutely key to the effectiveness of a school. Time and time again, OfSTED note that the most effective schools demonstrate effective leadership and management, which includes the governing body. School governors provide strategic leadership and accountability. They are appointed to work with the Headteacher to ensure that there are high aspirations for all children in the school and are committed to achieving the best possible outcomes for all pupils.

There are two types of governor: foundation and parent. Foundation governors are appointed by the Bishop (see back page of this Newsletter for an invitation to find out more about this role). Parent governors are self-nominated or nominated by other parents. We currently have one parent governor vacancy. Immediately after the Half Term break, all parents will be invited to stand for election as a parent governor, or nominate another parent to do so. No special qualifications are needed but it is vital that you have a keen interest in our school and are prepared to play an active role in the Local Governing Body's work. Further details will follow at the beginning of next term.

## Key Dates

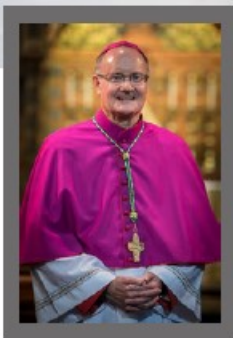
See below for the key dates for the first half of the new school term. Please also check Class Dojo regularly to see notifications of other events, including specific year group activities and Class Charity Events.

Date	Time	Event	Location	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 4th— Friday 14th June		Multiplication Tables Check	In School	Year 4
Wednesday 5th June	From 10am	NHS Height and Weight Check	In School	Reception & Year 6
Thursday 6th June	From 9am	Visit to All Saints' Per- forming Arts Department	All Saints'	Year 5
Friday 7th June	During School Day	Visit to Mansfield Library	Mansfield Library	Year 5
12th—13th June 13th—14th June		Residential Visit	Perlethorpe	Year 5VD Year 5SC
Friday 14th June	During School Day	Visit to Mansfield Library	Mansfield Library	Year 4
Saturday 15th June	10am	First Holy Communion	St. Philip's Church	Holy Communion children
Friday 21st June	During School Day	Visit to Mansfield Library	Mansfield Library	Year 3
Friday 21st June	2.45pm	Come & See Assembly	School Hall	Year 1
Tuesday 25th June	9.15—10.45	Sports Day	School Field	Nursery am & FS2NM
Tuesday 25th June	1.45—3.15	Sports Day	School Field	Nursery pm & FS2KW
Wednesday 26th June	9.15—10.45	Sports Day	School Field	Year 1, 2 and 3
Wednesday 26th June	1.45—3.15	Sports Day	School Field	Year 4, 5 and 6
Friday 28th June	During School Day	Visit to Mansfield Library	Mansfield Library	Year 2
Tuesday 2nd July	All Day	Transition Day	In School	Whole School
Wednesday 3rd July	All Day	Transition Day	In School	Whole School
Friday 5th July	During School Day	Visit to Mansfield Library	Mansfield Library	Year 1

Please note that we break up for half term today at 3.30pm. As Monday 3rd June is an INSET Day, **school will re-open for pupils on Tuesday 4th June at 8.40am.**



# CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS



## Calling Foundation Governors

An invitation for you!

Date & Time

Thursday 27 June 2024  
7.00pm - 8.00pm

Venue

VIRTUAL - Microsoft Teams

*Christ is the foundation  
of the whole educational enterprise  
in a Catholic school.*

The Catholic School, §34

### Calling Foundation Governors...

*Are you looking for a way to live out your faith and serve your local community at the same time?*

If so, becoming a foundation governor could be just the thing for you.

Bishop Patrick McKinney is seeking practising Catholics to appoint as new foundation governors to our diocesan schools. Foundation governors play a vital role in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of our schools.

This event is designed to provide information about the role of a foundation governor, the application process and the support offered.



Serving Nottingham, Nottinghamshire,  
Lincoln and Lincolnshire



Serving Derby, Derbyshire, Staffordshire  
and Stockport



Serving Leicester, Leicestershire  
and Rutland

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