



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



**Newsletter Date:
Friday 7th June, 2024**

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Welcome back!

The final half term of the year is already upon us. Where does the time go?! It's been wonderful to welcome you all back following the May half term holiday. I hope you all enjoyed the break and the long, Bank Holiday weekend. There's a real sense of calm and purpose around school, which is a very positive way to begin the last term of the school year. This term promises to be as productive and exciting as ever; please do check the Newsletter and Class Dojo regularly for news and updates. Please see overleaf for a list of events and dates already in the diary.

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. As of yesterday, all parents are 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. Please see the letter that was emailed yesterday from our Chair of Governors for more details.

Attendance this week: 94.3%

FS2KW	94.1%
FS2NM	98.7%
Y1GV	95.2%
Y1JS	96.8%
Y2JY	94.2%
Y2RT	94.1%
Y3RB	94.5%
Y3AN	91.9%
Y4BF	97.5%
Y4DK	96.1%
Y5SC	98%
Y5VD	75%
Y6LB	96.7%
Y6HG	98.7%

Liturgy of the Word/Mass

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

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

Word of the Week

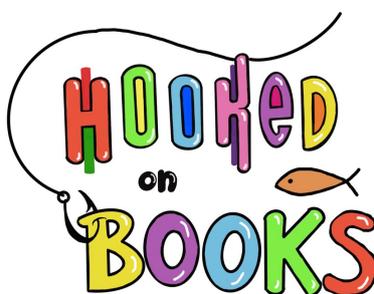
Next week, our Word of the Week is **Missionary Discipleship** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.



Hooked On Books

Yesterday, we launched our new family reading initiative with Year 1JS called Hooked on Books. Hooked on Books is 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. As you'll see from the photographs, the children had a lovely time reading with their adults.

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



We can't wait for the next sessions with Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage as timetabled in the chart above. Each session starts at 2:45pm so please arrive at the School Office a few minutes before this time and the class teacher will be there to greet you.

New Magnetic Door Lock

Please note that from Monday, our main front door to school will automatically lock after 9am. In order to access school or speak to a member of the school office team, you will need to use the newly install intercom speaker situation to the left of the main entrance.

Y5 Residential Visit

Our very lucky Year 5 children will go on an exciting Residential Visit next week to Perlethorpe. They have an exciting few days ahead of them! I know they'll have the most amazing time. We keep our Year 5 children in our prayers in the hope that they have a wonderful time and that the weather is kind! Huge thanks to the staff team for giving up their time to accompany the children; it's so very much appreciated.

Staffing Updates

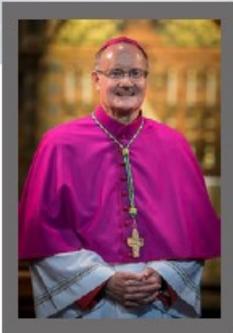
I'm delighted to confirm that Mrs Taylor, our Year 2 Teacher and Key Stage 1 Leader, is beginning her return to work next week. We've missed her and are looking forward to having her back. Separately, Mrs Baker-Oates, our Teaching Assistant working in Year 1, has successfully gained a new and exciting role as a Data Analyst and will be leaving us at the end of next week. I'd like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to Mrs Baker-Oates for all that she has done for our pupils during her time with us and wish her every success and happiness in her new role. We will make the most of our final week with her in our school.

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
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
Monday 8th July	During School Day	Transition	All Saints'	Year 5
Wednesday 10th July	2pm until 3pm	Toddler Tales	The Hub	Parents and Toddlers
Friday 12th July	2.15pm	PTA Summer Fayre	In School	Whole School
Friday 19th July	From 3pm	Come & See Assembly	School Hall	Reception Classes

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.



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and Stockport



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and Rutland

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