



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



**Newsletter Date:
Friday 28th June, 2024**

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Sports Day

It was wonderful to see the school field packed full with parents, grandparents and friends to cheer on the children at this year’s Sports Day events. This year, we added an increased element of competition—well done to all the children in *Team China* who won overall. To say they were delighted in an understatement!

My sincere thanks to Miss Nicholls and Mr Martin for organising this event. We’d really love to hear your views which will help us shape next year’s Sports Day. If you could complete [this short Microsoft form](#), we’d really appreciate it.

Trust Parent Survey

Today, our Trust launch their 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 a few minutes to complete.



A letter has been emailed to you all with further information. We really welcome your views. Please note that the survey closes on 19th July.

Transition

We’re all very excited for Transition which takes place next Tuesday and Wednesday for the whole school. All children will need to be dropped off and collected at the new entrance/exit points. This information has been shared separately on Dojo to help you know where to go. We also keep our Year 6 children in our thoughts and prayers as they will undertake transition visits to their secondary schools.

Attendance this week: 96.1%

FS2KW	96.7%
FS2NM	97.6%
Y1GV	98.5%
Y1JS	97.1%
Y2JY	95.7%
Y2RT	94.6%
Y3RB	95%
Y3AN	96.8%
Y4BF	95.3%
Y4DK	94.4%
Y5SC	97.2%
Y5VD	98.4%
Y6LB	98.7%
Y6HG	89%

Summer Fayre

The PTA’s annual Summer Fayre takes place in the afternoon of Friday 12th July. A poster will be shared soon by the PTA with more information about the event. If you’d be interested in holding your own stall at a cost of £20 per table, please let us know by emailing the school office. If you know of any small businesses or individuals who would like a stall, please do share this information with them.

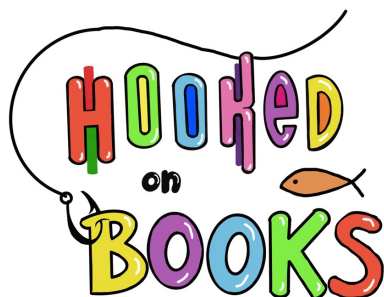
The PTA are holding a meeting after school on Monday to finalise arrangements for the Summer Fayre. You are most welcome to join this meeting; just arrive at Reception after 3.30pm to be signed in.



Hooked On Books

Hooked on Books, our new family reading initiative, continued this week with our Year 1 children in Mrs Dean's class. It was wonderful to see so many grandparents come into school 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
4th July	Year 2RT



We're looking forward to the final session of this academic year with Year 2RT as timetabled in the chart above. The 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.

OPAL

Our OPAL project continues to grow. We're really starting to see the children's play literacy develop, which is wonderful. One of our Governors came to see OPAL in action and was thoroughly impressed with the opportunities the children now have at lunchtimes.

In the new school year, we will hold an OPAL Open Day where parents will be invited to visit at lunchtime to see what OPAL is all about. More details about this will follow. In the meantime, our website is full of information and photographs to give you a flavour of what our lunchtimes are now like. Take a look [here](#).

Virtues Assembly

Huge congratulations to all the children who received a certificate in our Virtues Assembly this afternoon. It really is wonderful to hear how righteously our children behave and to be able to celebrate this with you. Thanks so much to the parents and carers who were able to join us for today's assembly.

Tesco Blue Tokens

Please remember that we have just one week left to collect tokens at Tesco for our OPAL project. Please add tokens with each shop and encourage family and friends to do the same - every little helps!



School Uniform

Many thanks to nearly all parents who've ensured their children are fully adhering to our School Uniform & Presentation Policy. The children look incredibly smart which has been commented on by staff, parents and pupils alike. However, a small number of children appear not to be always wearing the correct uniform or the correct PE uniform. As a reminder, a copy of our School Uniform & Presentation Policy can be found on our [website](#).

Reception places for next year

If you or anyone you know is looking for a Reception class place from September, please be aware that we have a few places left. As a school that is always oversubscribed, anyone wanting a place in our school is urged to do so quickly while spaces remain. We're happy to arrange visits and tours of the school; please get in touch with the school office to discuss this further. We look forward to hearing from you.



Liturgy of the Word/Mass

Date	Type of Service	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 2nd July	Mass	Year 2
Tuesday 9th July	Liturgy of the Word	Year 5
Tuesday 23rd July	Leavers' Mass	Year 6

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 **Fortitude** which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week.

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 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
Monday 22nd July	During School Day	Mini Muddy Marathon	In School	Year 1 — Year 6
Tuesday 23rd July	9.30am	Year 6 Leavers' Mass	St. Philip's Church	Whole School
Thursday 25th July	During School Day	Taster Session	All Saints'	Year 5