St Philip Neri with St Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy Our Jubilee Year of Hope Plan



A sacred time of renewal, reflection, and grace

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has revealed that the theme of this year's Jubilee will be *Pilgrims of Hope*.

In school, we will plan a wealth of opportunities for our pupils' lives to be shaped during this special Jubilee Year. Celebration of the word delivered to the whole school each Monday will make reference to the Jubilee Year and will include saying the Jubilee Prayer together. Our Sacred Space will also be a prayer space devoted to the Jubilee Year of Hope. Further events and activities will also take place as outlined in the table below based around the following six different themes relating to Hope:

- Lent 1 Care for creation: Taking care of the Earth and being mindful of its beauty;
- Lent 2 Forgiveness & Reconciliation: Forgiving debts and releasing people from servitude modern-day slavery;
- Pentecost 1 Justice and peace: The desire for peace and justice, and being a sign of hope for the poor, sick, food poverty and dying;
- Pentecost 2 Pilgrimage: Celebrating in local churches;
- Advent 1 Rest: A time for people and the Earth to rest;
- Advent 2 Hope: Faith, hope, love, and patience sustain us.

Lent 1:

Theme: Care for Creation

Taking care of the Earth and being mindful of its beauty

What	When	Who
Chalking of the Doors An opportunity for children to think about their hopes and to ask God to bless each of us, our school and to fill us all with the light of Christ.	Monday 6 th January	Whole School
Jubilee Year Launch Day and	Friday 24 th	Whole School led by
Prayer Stations	January during	Chaplains and
Exploring how Catholic Social	school day	Chaplaincy Team
Teaching principles link with		
the Jubilee Year of Hope.		

Jubilee Prayer	From 24 th	Key Stage 1 & 2
For this special prayer to be	January	itoy stago i a z
prayed at the beginning of each	, same and s	
week during Monday's whole		
school Celebration of the		
word, and each Friday in		
classes before going home.		
Pilgrimage to St. Philip's	30.01.25: Y6	Key Stage 2
Church	13.02.25: Y3	ito, etage _
An opportunity to go on a	06.03.25: Y4	
pilgrimage with brothers and	20.03.25: Y5	
sisters from our parish's other		
two primary schools.		
Candlemas	2 nd & 3 rd	Parishioners
Representatives of the school	February	
community to take candles to	,	Whole School
Mass on Sunday for them to be		
blessed. In the Monday		
Celebration of the word, reflect		
on how we present ourselves		
to the Lord		
Children's Mental Health	3 rd – 9 th	Whole School
Week	February	
Children to spend time each		
day enjoying the nature and		
beauty of our school grounds		
OPAL & Forest Schools	Daily during	Key Stage 1 & 2
During Lent 1, weekly OPAL	Lent 1	
assemblies will focus on caring		
for our school grounds.		
Children will do this by using		
the Littering Picking Stations,		
broken toys bins, avoiding the		
trim trail area to give the grass		
a rest and ensuring all		
resources are put away after		
OPAL and Forest Schools		
OPAL and Forest Schools sessions.		

Eco Team to support Forest	
Schools Leader to tidy and	
redevelop Forest Schools area	
once new fencing has been	
erected.	

Lent 2: Theme: Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Forgiving debts and releasing people from servitude (modern-day slavery)

What	When	Who
Ash Wednesday service	Wednesday 5 th	Whole School
An opportunity for us to receive	March	
the Ashes and be reminded to		
turn away from sin, repent and		
to reconcile with others.		
Big Lent Walk	Wednesday 5 th	Whole School
An opportunity for the whole	March –	
school to embark on a Lenten	Thursday 17 th	
CAFOD fundraising mission	April	
walking 200km in 40 days		
Sacrament of Reconciliation	TBC	All children and staff
An opportunity to receive the		who have made their
Sacrament of Reconciliation to		First Holy Communion
seek forgiveness.		
Lenten Prayer Fayre	TBC	Whole School
A Lenten retreat provide pupils		
with the opportunity to explore		
further the three pillars of Lent:		
prayer, fasting and almsgiving		
and linking these to the theme		
of forgiveness and		
reconciliation.		
Travelling Crucifix	Wednesday 5 th	Whole School
An opportunity for all pupils to	March –	
take home a Lent Prayer pack,	Thursday 17 th	
Travelling Crucifix, to provide	April	

opportunities for families to	
pray together.	

Pentecost 1:

Theme: Justice and peace

The desire for peace and justice, and being a sign of hope for the poor, sick, food poverty and dying

What	When	Who
Earth Day A day to raise awareness of environmental issues and take action to protect the planet. Justice for the Earth	Tuesday 22 nd April, 2025	Whole School
Class Charity Events This term provides all classes with the opportunity to promote and raise funds for their chosen class charity. As they do so, they are encouraged to consider how their chosen charity are a sign of hope for the poor, sick or dying.	During Pentecost 1	Whole School
An opportunity to celebrate Spring to symbolise new beginnings and renewal. How can we be symbols of hope?	Thursday 8 th May	Whole School

Pentecost 2:

Theme: Pilgrimage

Celebrating in local churches

What	When	Who
All Saints' talk	TBC	Key Stage 1 & 2
An opportunity for our pupils to		
hear from All Saints' students		
about their upcoming Lourdes		
pilgrimage		
Pilgrimage to St. Philip's	TBC	Key Stage 1
Church		
An opportunity to revisit St.		
Philip's Church to go on a		
pilgrimage with brothers and		
sisters from our parish's other		
two primary schools.		
Jubilee Pledge Day	Friday 18 th July	Whole School
An opportunity to celebrate our		
work on the Jubilee so far and		
reflect on how we are		
reconnecting ourselves with		
others and God.		

It is likely that more events will be added as we journey together through this Jubilee Year.