



We put Christ at the Centre of our Lives: Think, Speak, Act.

Newsletter Date:
Friday 20th June, 2025

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

CAFOD Jubilee Workshops

We've been delighted to welcome Ann Neale, a CAFOD educator and volunteer, into our school this week to lead each year group on a Jubilee Year of Hope workshop. These sessions have encouraged our children to think more deeply about our hopes for ourselves, our families and our friends but also our hopes for our local community, country and world. As part of this, we've considered how everyone is special and how we should be fair, forgiving and kind to others.



CAFOD

On Thursday 10th July, we'll hold our Jubilee Pledge Day which will be a whole school, long-term commitment to building a fairer world. More details to follow.

Term Dates: Academic Year 25-26

We have now finalised our Term Dates for the next academic year. Please [click here](#) for the term dates calendar for next year. Please note that school will also be closed to all children on the following dates for our INSET days:

Monday 1st September 2025
Tuesday 2nd September 2025
Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Thursday 12th February 2026
Friday 13th February 2026
Monday 27th July 2026

Did you know?

Our website also contains the school holiday calendar for 2026-27 so you can book holidays/trips/visits in advance.

The new school year for all children will therefore begin on **Thursday 4th September at 8.40am**. Please be reminded that the final day of this academic year is Friday 25th July.

Attendance this week: **97%**

FS2KW	95.5%
FS2NM	97.1%
Y1BS	96.3%
Y1JY	96.5%
Y2GB	94.3%
Y2RT	99.3%
Y3RB	95.5%
Y3AN	96.9%
Y4AS	98.4%
Y4DK	98.1%
Y5BF	90.6%
Y5VD	94.4%
Y6LB	94.4%
Y6SC	98.7%

Staffing Updates

At the end of this academic year, we will say goodbye Mrs Dickie, who has made the decision to move on to pastures new. Mrs Dickie has taught at our school for many years and we are wholly grateful for all that she has done during her time here. We also say goodbye to our Site Manager, Mr Hunt, who is about to begin a well-earned retirement (no, we don't think he looks old enough to retire either!). Mr Hunt has shown full dedication and commitment during his time here and we thank him for his service to our school. Miss Young is also embarking on an exciting sabbatical opportunity where she will be teaching in Abu Dhabi for a year. We wish her well in her travels and look forward to welcoming her back at the end of the next academic year. Details of next year's class structure can be found overleaf.

Class Structure for Academic Year 2025-26

I am able to confirm that next year's Class Structure will be as follows:

	Class A	Class B
Nursery	Miss Wheatley	
Reception	Mrs Whittaker & Mrs Quin	Miss Moody
Year 1	Mrs Bovell & Mrs Steele	Mr Dyson
Year 2	Mrs Taylor	Miss Nicholls
Year 3	Mrs Gregory & Miss Dabrowska	Miss Bowler
Year 4	Mrs Kerr	Miss Sunderland
Year 5	Mrs Cawsey	Mr Foulkes
Year 6	Mr Bovell	Miss Canning

Next week, we will confirm more specific information about each class and their next teacher on Class Dojo.

You'll also note that we have two planned Transition Days on 8th and 9th July, which will provide the opportunity for children and adults to meet each other before the new school year. We will, of course, keep you updated over the next few weeks and look forward to welcoming Mrs Cawsey, who'll be joining our team teaching in Year 5 and Mr Dyson, who will teach in Year 1.

PTA Notices

Many thanks for your donations of sweets and chocolate for our Summer Fayre which will be on Friday 11th July. We'd greatly appreciate any further donations of items that you have which could be used as raffle prizes. If you could bring these to the Office, we'd gratefully accept them. If you or someone you know would like to reserve a space as a stall holder for just £10, please let school know and we'll share this with the PTA.

We're also very grateful to our PTA who have purchased Book Bags for all children across the school for the next academic year using the money raised from this academic year. With how expensive school bags are I'm sure this will be helpful for you all as you will no longer need to purchase a school bag for your child. Please note this will be instead of funding a trip for children in Year 1 to Year 6 going to the Palace Theatre panto.

Our PTA will also sell ice pops at the end of Sports Day next week.

To keep up with all the latest news and information, please follow their [Facebook page](#).

Liturgy of the Word/Mass

Date	Type of Service	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 24 June	Liturgy of the Word	Year 5
Tuesday 1 July	Mass	Year 4
Tuesday 15 July	Liturgy of the Word	Year 3
Tuesday 22 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 **Eucharist**, which will form the basis of our acts of collective worship throughout the week. The Eucharist is a powerful way in which we receive Jesus Christ into our hearts and are united with him as one body. The Eucharist is a source of strength and nourishment, and as we receive it, just as the disciples did at the Last Supper, we are reminded of God's love for us and of our call to love others.

Hooked On Books

We're really excited to continue our family reading initiative Hooked on Books, which 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. Please see this term's dates for your child's class below:

Each session will start at 9am in the Dining Hall (or in classrooms if marked with an Asterix) so please arrive at the School Office a few minutes before this time and the class teacher will be there to greet you. We're really excited for you to join us.

Date	Year Group
26th June	Year 3AN
3rd July	Year 4DK

Date	Year Group
10th July	Year 4AS
24th July	Year 5BF & 5VD

Key Dates

As well as checking the dates below, 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?
Tuesday 24 June	09:15—10:45	Sports Day	School Field	Nursery (am) & FS2NM
Tuesday 24 June	13:45—15:15	Sports Day	School Field	Nursery (pm) FS2KW
Wednesday 25 June	09.15—10.45	Sports Day	School Field	Year 1, 2 and 3
Wednesday 25 June	13:45—15:15	Sports Day	School Field	Year 4, 5 and 6
Friday 27 June	09.00—09.30	Virtues Assembly	School Hall	Whole School
Friday 4 July	09.00—09.30	Come & See Assembly	School Hall	Year 1 & Year 2
Tuesday 8 July	All Day	Transition to next class		Whole School
Wednesday 9 July	All Day	Transition to next class		Whole School
Friday 11 July*	From 14:30	PTA Summer Fayre	School	Whole School
Friday 18 July	09.00—09.30	Virtues Assembly	School Hall	Whole School
Thursday 24 July	09.15—09.45	Come & See Assembly	School Hall	Foundation Stage

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