



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



**Newsletter Date:
Friday 26th June, 2026**

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede Catholic Voluntary Academy

Sports Day & Summer Fayre

It's been fabulous to welcome parents, grandparents and friends onto our school field for Sports Day throughout this week. Well done to all the children who took part, especially those who earned first, second or third place for their races. A special word of congratulations to all children in Team Portugal who won overall. To say they were all delighted is an understatement! HUGE thanks to Miss Nicholls and Mr Evans for organising this year's events.

I also wish to extend my thanks to our wonderfully dedicated PTA for organising and holding our Summer Fayre which took place today. Good fun was had by all in the afternoon sunshine. We'll let you know how much was raised next week. A special word of thanks also for some of our Year 6 children who've spend vast amounts of their own time to create and then sell various items at the Fayre. Really impressive, Year 6. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event; it was really lovely to see so many of you there.

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 will be shared separately on Dojo to help you know where to go. I'm delighted to confirm that Miss Young and Miss Bartholomew will be joining us for transition. We ask that ALL CHILDREN WEAR THEIR PE KITS ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY. Please keep our Year 6 children in our thoughts and prayers as they undertake transition visits to their secondary schools.

Term Dates: Academic Year 26-27

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



- Tuesday 1st September, 2026
- Wednesday 2nd September, 2026
- Friday 16th October, 2026
- Monday 2nd November, 2026
- Thursday 11th February, 2027
- Friday 12th February, 2027

The new school year for all children will therefore begin on **Thursday 3rd September at 8.40am**. Please be reminded that the final day of this academic year is Friday 24th July.

Attendance this week: **95.9%**

FS2WQ 97.9%

FS2NM 100%

Y1BB 98.5%

Y1JD 97%

Y2AN 98%

Y2RT 99.3%

Y3RB 95.9%

Y3JD 99%

Y4AS 91.6%

Y4DK 96.3%

Y5BF 96.3%

Y5GC 97.9%

Y6LB 90.3%

Y6GS 89.1%

Did you know?
Our website also contains the school holiday calendar for 2027-28 so you can book holidays/trips/visits in advance.

Lost Property

Over the last few weeks, there's been an increase of lost property. If you have items missing—school uniform, PE kits, lunchboxes, water bottles—it's likely they are in school. Please check the lost property trolleys under the kitchen windows on the large playground. Furthermore, in order to reduce the amount of lost property, **please ensure your child's name is clearly marked in all belongings so missing items can be easily returned.**

NottAlone: it's OK to feel not OK

Please be reminded of the NottAlone service offered by Nottinghamshire County Council. If you or anyone you know is struggling with their mental health and are in need of advice and help, NottAlone is a really good starting point.

This comprehensive website provides local mental health advice, covering a range of areas from self-harm, to family separation, suicidal thoughts or worries about gangs/gang culture. Support is available for adults and children alike so please do [click here](#) to find out more.

Preparation for the new school year

Our wonderful PTA will provide each child entering our Reception classes in September with a free book bag as a welcome gift for joining our school. We ask that all other children purchase ONLY school book bags if you're not able to reuse the one provided from this year. These, along with most other uniform items, are available to buy from myclothing.com. Please do not send your child with a rucksack as there isn't the space in cloakrooms to store these. Please also consider purchasing metal water bottles for your child too (not the Stanley metal straw cups) as these are more durable than plastic bottles, often cheaper and better for the environment. We also remind you that there is no need to purchase any stationery as all writing and drawing implements and equipment will be provided by school.

Nursery places for next year

If you or anyone you know is looking for a Nursery class place in the next academic year, please know spaces are filling up quickly. We are able to offer 15 hours (morning or afternoon sessions) and have a few 30 hours places remaining. More information about admission to Nursery can be found [on our website](#). We're happy to arrange visits and tours of the school; please get in touch with the school office to discuss this further or if you have any other questions, or if you'd like to enquire about spaces in other year groups. We look forward to hearing from you.



Word of the Week

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

If you would like to know more about the Catholic faith or are interested in becoming a Catholic, there is a course starting in September. For more details, please contact Sr Susan: susanpbvm@yahoo.co.uk or 07751196124.

Liturgy of the Word/Mass

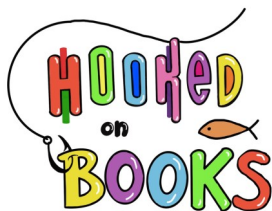
Date	Type of Service	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 21 July	Leavers' Mass	Year 6

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

Hooked On Books

We're looking forward to welcoming parents/ carers/ grandparents to join us and enjoy some quality time sharing our treasure chests of stories. Please see this term's dates for your child's class below:

Date	Year Group
9th July	Year 5GC
10th July	Year 6GS & 6LB



Each session will start at 3pm so please arrive at the School Office a few minutes before this time and the class teacher will be there to greet you.

Congratulations



Huge congratulations to Alice and Charlotte, two of our Year 5 children, who took part in the Race for Life *Pretty Muddy Race* two weeks ago at Holme Pierpoint. The girls raised an incredible £565 for Cancer Research. We're very proud of you girls, very well done.

Three weeks ago we held a Colour Dash event, raising funds for the LCH Charity. As a school community, we raised £1242! What a fantastic achievement. Huge thanks for supporting this wonderful cause.



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. Please note that new events may appear each week so please check back regularly!

Date	Time	Event	Location	Who's Involved?
Tuesday 7 July	All Day	Transition to next class		Whole School
Wednesday 8 July	All Day	Transition to next class		Whole School
Monday 13— Wednesday 15 July		Residential	Walesby	Year 5
Friday 17 July	All Day	Transition Visit	All Saints'	Year 5
Tuesday 21 July	09.30	Leavers' Mass	St Philip's RC Church	Whole School
Wednesday 22 July	14:00—17:00	Leavers' Party	School Hall	Year 6
Thursday 23 July	14.00—14.30	Leavers' Assembly	School Hall	Whole School

Looking ahead, our final day of the academic year is Friday 24th July. Following the summer holiday, please note that the first day back for children will be Thursday 3rd September, 2026.