

St Philip Neri Catholic Primary School

Living and learning together with a joyous heart



Newsletter No 28

Friday 3rd May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week's Gospel describes Jesus as the true vine to which we must remain connected to bear fruit. The children learned that they too can 'bear fruit' in Jesus' name.

Enjoy the long weekend ahead.

Best wishes - Mrs Sarah Williams

Mr Winter Leaving

We had a visit from Mr Winter, our much-loved caretaker, this week. Sadly, Mr Winter is retiring from St Philip's. Mr Winter has been such a fantastic member of the team at St Philip's. He'll be greatly missed by staff and children, but we know he won't be a stranger. We wish him all the very best in his retirement.

Kirkley Hall Visit

Year 3 and Year 4 have had a fantastic visit to Kirkley Hall. We've had some workshops, learning more about agriculture and how animals are looked after. We then had a look at a range of species and had a tour of the zoo. It was hard to pick our favourite animals, but the meerkats might be one of them.

Wellbeing Wednesday

The focus of this week's wellbeing assembly was all about democracy. We learned about the local elections taking place this week and the general election coming later this year. We then talked about what would happen if we didn't live in a democracy.

First Holy Communion Dresses

We've had some donations of First Holy Communion dresses – all in beautiful condition. If you do want to take a look, please just speak to Mrs Williams.

Arbor Contact Details

We have had a couple of occasions recently where we have been unable to reach a parent or guardian. Please do ensure that the school holds up to date contacts on Arbor. There should be more than one contact that can be used in case of emergency.

Pupil of the week:

Emily T	For contributing enthusiastically to our Phonics lessons this week.
Matthew G	For listening carefully in lessons working well independently.
Jensen S-E	For working hard to earn stars in all lessons.
Gloria C	For wonderful sentences in English.
Isabelle S	For her 'can do' attitude to every lesson: her Maths work has blown us away.
Isaac S	For a fantastic descriptive piece about the dragon from 'Eye of The Storm'.
Sherina W	For taking your work ethic to the next level.

Golden table: Arlo F, Freddie H, Carter R, Noah R, Sophia L.

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This Week's School Attendance

Y6	97.62%
Y5	95.96%
Y4	89.33%
Y3	100% This week's winners!
Y2	97.53%
Y1	96.83%
YR	99.18%

DATES FOR THE DIARY

More details to follow for some events.

May

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday school Closed.

Friday 10th May - Y2 Liturgy 9.00 am.

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May KS2 SATS week – Please don't book any holidays within this week.

Tuesday 14th May – FHC Session 2 3.15 pm Y4

Friday 24th May – Year 3 & Year 4 Fun Run Saltwell park

Friday 24th May – Yer 5 Liturgy 2.45 pm

HALF TERM HOLIDAY: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024 (Monday 3rd June INSET DAY)

June

Monday 3rd June – INSET Day: School closed to pupils.

Tuesday 4th June - School re-opens.

Friday 8th June - Y3 Parent Liturgy 9.00 am.

Wednesday 19th June - New Reception Class Parents' Welcome Induction Meeting 5:00pm.

Friday 21st June - Y4 Parent Liturgy 9.00 am.

Friday 28th June – Y1 Parent Liturgy 9.00 am.

Friday 28th June - First Holy Communion Y4 in Church 5.30pm.

July

Monday 1st July – Sports Day 9.00 am – 12.00 pm Dunston Activity Centre.

Thursday 4th July – St Thomas More Team Building Day Y6.

Friday 5th July - Reception Parent Liturgy 9.00 am.

Wednesday 10th July – Sponsored Walk Whole School.

Thursday 11th July – Y6 St Thomas More Visit Day, Whole School Meet New Teacher Day.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS:

Monday 22.7.24 (INSET DAY) to Tuesday 3rd September (Monday 2.9.24 INSET DAY)