



# St. Philip's Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018



## Dear St Philip's Families,

I hope you all had a lovely half term and enjoyed the last burst of summer before winter has finally arrived.

### Open Morning

Year 6 did a fantastic job of showing prospective parents round our school this week. They were commended for their polite behaviour and their obvious pride in the school. Well done Year 6 – we are all very proud of you. Our visitors were very impressed with the learning taking place and the wonderful environment we have here at St. Philip's.

### Catholic life

We celebrated the feast of All Saints with the Parish at mass yesterday, in Church. It was lovely to join so many members of our parish community on this holy day of obligation.

### Sports news

Our Y3/4 football team showed great sportsmanship and achieved a silver certificate in their recent tournament. They didn't lose a match or concede a goal. What an amazing performance!

### Trips and Workshops

Year 4 enjoyed a stunning start to their learning about the Seven Wonders of the World, this week. They made rice krispy treats and constructed Chicken Itza from them, they also made Petra out of clay and played an ancient Incan game.

Year 1 enjoyed a Medieval Day as part of their Princesses and Knights topic. They made gingerbread rolls, practised some medieval dancing and sword fighting and took part in a banquet, where they got to eat with their hands and drink 'beer' (apple juice!)

Year 3 had a great time at Preston Manor, where they got to role play being Victorian servants. The children polished cutlery and cleaned under the supervision of fearsome senior housekeeping staff. They also made jam tarts in the Victorian kitchens. Afterwards, they visited the Booth Museum where they got to discover the Booth's collections of Victorian natural history.

Many thanks to all the staff and parents who helped make all our trips and visits possible.

### Congratulations to

Erin Y5 for achieving her gold medal in Tumbling at the Swallows Invitational.

Dylan Y4 who played his first LTA orange ball tournament at Maresfield in the half term and won it!

### Parents' evening

It was good to see so many of you at our Parents' evenings before half term. It is important for us to work together to secure the best outcomes for your children. If you are ever worried about your child, do please contact the office and ask for an appointment with their teacher, who will be happy to speak to you.

With very best wishes for a lovely weekend

Joanna Sanchez

**School Photographs** on Monday, please send in permission slips if you haven't done so already.

## Diary Dates

<b>November</b>	
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	3.45-5.15 Y5/6 Basketball taster
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	3.30-5.20 Disco and Fireworks
w/c Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-bullying week
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	FLU Vaccinations R,1,2,3,4,5 3.45-5.15 Y5/6 Indoor athletics at Freedom leisure
Wed 21st	School Nurse Health Visit YR & Y6
Thurs 22nd	9.30 Open Morning for prospective parents
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	3.45-5.00 Y2 Multi Skills at Freedom Leisure
Fri 30th	Own clothes day in exchange for Christmas Fair donations
<b>December</b>	
Sat 1st	Christmas Fair 11-2pm
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00 Advent liturgy led by Y6 – parents welcome to attend
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Christmas play 2.00– parents welcome to attend
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Christmas play 2.00– parents welcome to attend
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> -	KS2 Christmas Play 6.30– parents welcome to attend
Tues 18th	Christmas Lunch and Dress up Day
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup>	Carols followed by mince pies 2.00– parents welcome to attend
<b>January</b>	
Thurs 3rd	First day back at school
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 Epiphany Liturgy (parents welcome to attend)
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> /Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Panto (evening)
<b>February</b>	
Tues 12th	Parents' evening
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parent's evening
w/c 18 <sup>th</sup>	Half term
<b>April</b>	
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of spring term
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	First day of summer term
<b>July</b>	
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET day – no children in school
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET day – no children in school