



St. Philip's Newsletter

23rd May 2019



Dear St Philip's Families,

Catholic Life May is the month of Mary

Last week, we celebrated our May Service in honour of Our Lady. Year 5 led us beautifully in our Liturgy and it was lovely to be joined by so many members of our community. Many thanks to Father Ian for helping us with this special service. It was lovely to see the statue of Our Lady, crowned with and surrounded by flowers.

Thank you for returning your Mission Together red boxes. Altogether we raised £170.29 for Mission in Syria.

Teaching and Learning

Year 6 worked very hard in SATs week and Mrs Wilding, Mrs Thompson and I are very proud of them. They approached their tests with positivity and determination and I am sure they are looking forward to their last few exciting weeks. Well done, Year 6, for all your hard work during your time at St Philip's. We will miss you when you move onto your new schools.

After half term, we will be introducing a new behaviour policy; an adaptation to our existing policy based on the latest research. Children will be rewarded for excellent learning behaviour by moving up to the 'Sparky Brain'. If children find it hard to meet expectations, they will be given a structured opportunity to reflect on their behaviour to help them improve. Do have a look at our new policy on our website.

Trips and experiences

Year 4 enjoyed a Warburtons cooking session; they got to make different types of bread and a range of dips. They have also had fun making a range of Spanish food.

Alicia and Dominic in Year 5 attended Playground leader training with Mrs Miller. They have learnt how to break down games to help the younger children play and will be sharing their new skills with children on the playground.

Year R enjoyed a visit to Blackberry Farm this week. They got to see the animals and ride on a tractor. A great time was had by all!

Our Y5/6 rounders team played exceptionally well at the recent tournament, winning 3 matches and demonstrating excellent sporting behaviour.

Year R have spent the day cooking ready to welcome parents to their open house this afternoon.

Many thanks to all the adults who have helped make these experiences possible for our children.

Congratulations

To: Louis Y4, who was awarded Player's Player in the Under 9s at Uckfield Rugby Club.

Ollie Y4, who was awarded Player of the Year U9's at Uckfield Rugby Club

Eco news

We are very pleased that our new waste contractor provides recycling facilities. We have a new range of colour coded bins in school with green bins for recycling. If you are helping in school, please have a look at the pictures on the bins before throwing anything away.

This year we have also installed LED lighting. This has significantly reduced our energy consumption, helping the environment and as a bonus, our bills have reduced by 20%!

With very best wishes for a half term

Joanna Sanchez

Diary Dates	
May	
Fri 24th	INSET Day – no children in school
w/c 27 th	Half term
June	
Tues 4 th	Y6 Safety in Action Y5 Hever Castle
Mon 10 th	Y6 Girls' Cricket
Tues 11 th	Y3 trip to Wakehurst 3.45-5.15 Y5/6 Stoolball
w/c 10 th	Y5 Bikeability
Wed 12 th	Class Photos
Thurs 13 th	6pm New Parents Meeting
Fri 14 th	Y6 Retreat at Mayfield
Mon 17 th	Sports Day – Infants am, Juniors pm
Wed 19 th	Y4 Children Stay Safe
Thurs 20 th	Whole School Photo
Fri 21 st	Own clothes day – bring a bottle for the Summer Fair Summer Fair
w/c 24 th	Y6 to Little Canada
Mon 24 th	Y2 Smugglers Cave Y4/5 Mixed Cricket
Tues 25 th	Y4 trip to Drusillas
Weds 26 th	Top Play Festival pm
Thurs 27 th	10.00 Mass to celebrate First Holy Communion children Top sport Festival pm
July	
Mon 1 st	Reserve Sports Day
Tues 2 nd	3.45-5.15 Y5/6 Badminton
Mon 8 th	St Philip's Tournament
Sat 6 th	Uckfield Festival
Thurs 11 th	2.15 Cushion Mass
Mon 15 th	6.30 Y6 production
Fri 19 th	9.00 Y6 Leavers' Assembly Last day of school for children
Mon 22nd	INSET day – no children in school
Tues 23rd	INSET day – no children in school
September	
Weds 4th	INSET day – no children in school
Thurs 5th	First day back at school for children