



# St. Philip's Newsletter

11<sup>th</sup> February 2019



Dear St Philip's Families,

The term is flying by and I can hardly believe we are in February already!

## Enterprise Day

Enterprise Day was a great success and I would like to thank all the children, staff and parent helpers for all their hard work. The children had great fun choosing and manufacturing their products and deciding which charity they would donate their profits to. The amounts each class raised for charity are as follows:

	Amount	Charity
Rec	£ 9.90	Raystede
1	£ 41.94	British Wildlife Foundation
2	£ 37.00	League of Friends Uckfield Hospital
3	£ 35.30	Sussex Heart Charity
4	£128.85	RNLI
5	£ 75.98	St Barnabas House Hospice Worthing
6	£ 59.65	Rocking Horse Charity for Sick Children
Total	£388.62	

## Trips, Visits and Special Days

Pizza Express welcomed Year 3 last week to make pizzas and explore modern Italian cuisine. I hear they had a wonderful time and represented our school well. They also brought back some delicious pizzas!

Year 5 visited Mayfield for their annual retreat. They had a very special day exploring being friends with Jesus. They took part in several sessions led by the Chaplain at Mayfield and enjoyed a wonderful lunch.

## Holiday Requests

The school have recently received several requests for holidays during term time. Unfortunately, we are unable to authorise any request for holidays and are now required to report any unauthorised absence to the East

Sussex Attendance Service. They, then make a decision on whether to fine parents for unauthorised absence. The current level of fine is £60 per parent per child.

## Governors' Day

On Wednesday, our Governors spent the day in school, visiting classes and talking to children about their learning. They were very impressed with our enthusiastic, articulate children and our beautiful learning environments. The Governors of St Philip's do a great job in supporting the school and I would like to extend our thanks to them for their time and commitment.

## Online Safety Week

The children learnt all about how to stay safe online last week. We held a special assembly and the children covered this issue in PC groups and in class. The theme this year is "Together for a better internet." The issues around online consent have been discussed and explored. The children have been learning that they have a choice about what they agree to online. Do take this opportunity to discuss your child's use of the internet with them.

## Sports News

St Philip's swimmers enjoyed competing in the recent Swimming Gala at Freedom Leisure. Some notable performances were: James Y6 who won the individual freestyle and the boys relay team of James Y6, Michael Y4, Kian Y6 and Ollie Y5 who won the boys relay event. Congratulations to all our swimmers for a great event!

I look forward to seeing you at Parents' evening later this week.

With very best wishes

Joanna Sanchez

## Diary Dates

<b>February</b>	
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	3.30-6.00 Parents' evening
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup>	Reception trip to the theatre
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	5.00-7.30 Parents' evening
<b>w/c 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Half term</b>
w/c 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fair trade fortnight
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Ancient Greek Day
<b>March</b>	
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	4-5pm Y3/4 Tag Rugby Coaching UCTC bottom field
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	4-5pm Y5/6 Tag Rugby coaching UCTC bottom field
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	11 Y4 Visit to Cinema
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	12.00 Frugal Lunch in Y5 – parents welcome to attend
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Anglo Saxon Workshop
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>	4-5pm Y3/4 Tag rugby tournament UCTC bottom field
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	Y3 Roman Workshop
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	4-5pm Y5/6 Tag Rugby tournament UCTC bottom field
<b>April</b>	
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Last day of spring term</b>
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>First day of summer term</b>
<b>May</b>	
Weds 8 <sup>th</sup>	2-4pm Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May Y5/6 Quad Kid Athletics Beacon School
<b>June</b>	
<b>Mon 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>INSET day – no children in school</b>
<b>July</b>	
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>INSET day – no children in school</b>
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>INSET day – no children in school</b>