



St. Philip's Newsletter

15th November 2019



Dear St Philip's Families,

I hope you all had a lovely half term and enjoyed the few dry days we have had this Autumn!

Open Morning

Year 6 did a fantastic job of showing prospective parents round our school last 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.

Catholic life

On Monday, we observed the two minute silence for Remembrance Day. It was moving to hear the cannons being fired to mark this significant event. We have been selling poppies in school and all proceeds will go to the British Legion.

November is a time when we remember those who have died. Please pray for all those who have died and for their friends and family.

Trips and Visits

Year 5 had a fantastic time at Hindleap and returned tired but full of happy memories. It was wonderful to hear the stories of children overcoming their fears and working together. A big thank you to Mrs Wilding, Mrs Best, Mrs Joyce and Mrs Tungate for accompanying the children on this trip.

Reception class have had a very exciting start to term. Last week they visited the Church. They baptised the 'baby' Rosie and went on a treasure hunt to discover the key features of a church. Today, they went to the Fire station; where they got to go in the fire engine, try out the equipment and even use the hose!

Anti-bullying week

The theme for Anti Bullying Week this year has been 'Change Starts with Us'. This year the goal is to inform schools and settings, children and young people, parents and carers to know that it takes a collective responsibility to stop bullying. In assembly, children explored scenarios and discussed what changes could have led to a better outcome. Everyone thought about

one change they could make that would make a difference to our community. We expect all members of our school community to uphold our Mission Statement, "Showing care and compassion for each other we are kind and sharing; treating each other fairly and with respect. We value everyone as unique children of God. "

Congratulations

To George Y4 who has completed his Times Tables challenge and won a maths set. Well done, George!

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

Diary Dates

November	
Tues 19 th	Y5/6 Indoor Athletics UCTC
Weds 20 th	Individual photos 12:30 Y5/6 Football finals UCTC
Tues 26 th	9.30 Open Morning for prospective parents
Weds 27 th	1:00 Y5/6 Rugby Festival
Fri 29 th	Non uniform day – bring a bottle for Christmas Fair YR – Y6 Flu nasal spray vaccination
Sat 30th	Christmas Fair 11am-2pm
December	
Mon 2 nd	9.00 Advent liturgy led by Y6 – parents welcome to attend
Tues 3 rd	3.45 Y2 multi-skills at UCTC
Weds 4 th	Y3 Preston Manor/Booth Museum visit Y4 Architecture workshop Y6 Survival Day
Tues 10 th	KS1 Christmas play 2.00– parents welcome to attend
Weds 11 th	KS1 Christmas play 9.30– parents welcome to attend
Mon 16 th	KS2 Christmas Play 6.00– parents welcome to attend
Thurs 19 th	Christmas Lunch and Dress up Day
Fri 20 th	Carols followed by mince pies 2.00– parents welcome to attend
January	
Mon 6 th	2:45 Epiphany Assembly – parents welcome to attend
Fri 24 th	Enterprise Day
February	
	Half term w/c 17 th February
April	
	Easter hols WC 6 th Return to school 20th
May	
w/c 18 th May	Fairthorne Manor Y6
June	
Mon 8 th	Reception vision screening
July	
Fri 17 th	Last day of school for children
Mon 20th	INSET day – no children in school
Tues 21st	INSET day – no children in school