



St. Philip's Newsletter

11th September 2026



Dear St Philip's families,

I hope you all had a great summer and settling back into the rhythm of school life. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and to hear about their summer holidays. They have made an excellent start and I am looking forward to a very happy and successful new academic year.

Welcome to...

A very warm welcome to all the new children and their families who have joined us this year, including our new Reception and Nursery children, Edmund and Theo in Y2 and Keliana in Y4. We hope you all have a wonderful time at St Philip's.

I would also like to welcome two members of staff to our team – Mrs Masrani who has returned to St Philip's after a couple of years away, and will be supporting Year 4 and Year 6; and Mrs K Smith who will be working in EYFS.

Congratulations to...

- Mrs Skilton who welcomed her baby girl Maia on 11th August. Both Mum and Maia are doing really well.
- Miss Shaddick who got married over the summer and is now using her married name – Mrs Taylor.

Catholic Life

As always, we start the year by reminding the children of our school Mission statement; a copy of which is attached to this newsletter for your information.

First Holy Communion classes 2026/2027

Registration is now open for First Holy Communion classes. For information and to complete your registration please visit www.stmaryscrowborough.org.uk and go to Menu – Sacraments – First Holy Communion. The deadline for applications is 22nd October. For further information please email crowborough@abdiocese.org.uk

Uckfield Carnival Children's Parade

On Saturday 5th, a group of St Philip's children and their families took part in the annual Uckfield Children's Parade. It was wonderful to be part of such a great community event once again. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Beckwith (Millie's Mum) for all of her time, creativity and enthusiasm.



'Meet the staff' sessions

Please don't forget that next week we will be holding our 'Meet the staff' sessions, which will provide parents with the opportunity to see your child's new classroom, find out about their upcoming learning and of course meet their new teacher and teaching assistants.

Monday 14th – 2:45 – Year 3

Tuesday 15th – 2:45 – Year 2

Wednesday 16th – 2:45 – Year 1 and Year 5

Thursday 17th – 2:45 – Year 4

Friday 18th – 2:45 – Year 6

With very best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Mrs McCurdy
Headteacher



St Philip's Catholic Primary School
Our Mission Statement

We are all unique, created by God with our own talents
and potential.

We love learning, we explore our interests and never give
up when things get hard.

We are kind and care for others and ourselves, we smile
and do good in the world.

We are a community of faith, living as Jesus taught us.

Let your light shine!



September	
Mon 14 th	2:45 Meet the Year 3 staff
Tues 15 th	2:45 Meet the Year 2 staff 3:45-5:30 Y5/Y6 Football at Manor
Wed 16 th	10:00 Y1-Y6 Whole School Mass 2:45 Meet the Year 1 staff 2:45 Meet the Year 5 staff
Thurs 17 th	2:45 Meet the Year 4 staff
Fri 18 th	2:45 Meet the Year 6 staff
Tues 22 nd	3:45-5:30 Y5/Y6 Football B at Manor
Wed 23 rd	10:00 Year 5 and Year 2 attending Mass 1:30-3:00 Cross Country competition at Rocks Park
Thurs 24 th	Year 5 trip to Newhaven Fort
Fri 25 th	1:00 Whole School SPONSORED WALK
Tues 29 th	3:45-5:30 Y4/Y5/Y6 Girls football at Manor
Wed 30 th	10:00 Year 4 and Year 1 attending Mass
October	
Mon 5 th	2:30 Grandparents assembly
Wed 7 th	Year 3 visit to Preston Manor 9:00 Harvest Liturgy led by EYFS and KS1 – parents welcome to attend
Thurs 8 th	Flu nasal spray
Wed 14 th	10:00 Year 6 and Year 2 attending Mass 1:00-3:00 Football tournament at Manor
Thurs 15 th	Year 1 visit to Bodiam Castle Year 5 Culinary workshop session
Wed 21 st	10:00 Year 5 and Year 3 attending Mass
w/c 26 th	HALF TERM
November	
Mon 2 nd	Children back to school
Wed 4 th	9:00-10:15 Prospective parents Open Morning
Thurs 5 th	Year 6 trip to Glyndebourne
Tues 10 th	3:45-5:15 Basketball at Uckfield College
Wed 11 th	10:00 Year 4 and Year 1 attending Mass
Mon 16 th	9:00-10:15 Prospective parents Open Morning
Tues 17 th	Individual Photos 3:30-6:00 Parents evening 3:45-5:15 Indoor Athletics at Uckfield College
Wed 18 th	10:00 Year 6 and Year 2 attending Mass
Thurs 19 th	4:30-7:00 Parents evening
Wed 25 th	10:00 Year 5 and Year 1 attending Mass
Mon 30 th	8:55 Advent Liturgy led by Year 6 – parents welcome to attend

December	
Wed 2 nd	10:00 Year 3 and Year 2 attending Mass
Fri 4 th	11.00 Service of reconciliation led by KS2, followed by Individual Reconciliation
Wed 9 th	10:00 Year 6 and Year 4 attending Mass
Tues 15 th	6:00 KS2 Nativity Performance in Church
Wed 16 th	Christmas Lunch and Dressing up Day 2:00 Pantomime for whole school
Fri 18 th	10:00 Y1-Y6 Whole School Mass Last day of term
w/c 21 st w/c 28 th	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
January	
Mon 4 th	INSET Day
Tues 5 th	Children back to school
February	
Thurs 11 th	Year 5 Culinary workshop session
w/c 15 th	HALF TERM
24 th – 26 th	Year 6 at Hindleap Warren
March	
Thurs 4 th	WORLD BOOK DAY
Tues 9 th	3:30-6:00 Parents evening
Thurs 11 th	4:30-7:00 Parents evening
26 th – 11 th	EASTER HOLIDAYS
April	
w/c 26 th	Year 5 Bikeability
May	
Mon 3 rd	BANK HOLIDAY
10 th -13 th	Year 6 SATs
w/c 31 st	HALF TERM
July	
Tues 20 th	Last day of the school year
Wed 21 st	INSET DAY
Thurs 22 nd	INSET DAY