



## St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

### Newsletter – 03 September 2021

#### Autumn Term

It has been simply wonderful to welcome everyone back after the summer break. Lovely to see everyone looking so refreshed, smart and ready for the new school term.

A special welcome to our new Reception children ! We hope the children and their families will really enjoy being part of our lovely school community.

#### New morning routines

Thank you, everyone, for adapting so quickly to our new routines for the start of the school day. It has all gone very smoothly.

#### Assemblies

I held two assemblies today, one with Years 1 and 2 and another with all four Junior classes. It was great to be able to meet and talk with the children face to face again. We reflected on the difficulties of the past eighteen months and chatted through some of the wonderful things that had happened in our lives too. Children made reference to new family pets or new babies, being able to see friends and family after periods of isolation and being able to return to school !

We also talked about our school prayer,

**At St Philomena's, we share the love of God every day. In everything we learn, do and say.**

and asked what this might look like in practice. I was so proud to hear children referring to positive learning behaviour, good listening, kind words, smiling at people and using good manners as excellent examples of how we live out this prayer every day at school.

#### Well Done!

Congratulations to Zofia - Year 6 who recently passed her Grade 2 Piano exam with Merit. Excellent news!

#### Glue Sticks

Please remember to purchase a glue stick for your child. We are selling them in the school office for £1.00. Every child requires a glue stick.



#### Scooter and Bicycles !

Children should not cycle or ride their scooters on the drive or playground ! Please note, **this is strictly prohibited** for the safety of everybody using the school premises. Please be good role models to your children by insisting they adhere to rules – thank you !



#### Rainy Days !

Now that Autumn appears to have well and truly arrived, we are very likely to have more rainy days. Please ensure your child comes to school with a coat or rain mac (in keeping with our uniform policy) as we try to get outside as much as possible. If your child comes to school with an umbrella, please can you take it home with you after drop off. Your child will not need it during the day and storing them in cloakrooms and corridors, can make the floor very wet, slippery and dangerous. Thank you !

### **LifeSavers**

Please send savings books and money in the clear plastic wallet with your child – to be handed to the class teacher at morning registration. Transactions and money are banked on Thursday mornings – so need to be in by Wednesday afternoons for that week's banking.

### **Annual Forms and Paperwork**

Apologies for the number of forms and paperwork that has been sent out this week. Your prompt return of completed forms would be much appreciated.

This information is used to keep our databases and safeguarding information up to date, so it is really important – we do try to keep it to a minimum!

Paperwork, payments, etc. should be sent in with your child and handed in to their teacher at morning registration.

Money should be sent in an envelope with the following detail written on it:

- Child's name
- Childs Year
- Purpose of payment
- Amount enclosed.

If you need to get a message to the class teacher, please send an email to: [admin@st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk) and the email/information will be passed on. Alternatively, you can call the school office on 01689 826550.

Please DO NOT reply on the email address that the newsletter is sent out on as this goes to an unmonitored email – the admin email address above should always be used. Where possible, please try to get messages regarding pick up and collection to the office before 3.00pm so we can get the message to the classroom in time.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Veronica Maher  
Head Teacher

