



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 23 September 2022 Autumn Term

UNIFORM STALL

We will be holding second hand uniform stall outside the green room club on Monday's after school. Miss Miller will be organising this.



On Tuesday this week, every child was given a toothbrush, a tube of toothpaste, a sticker and an information leaflet containing information and tips about how to keep clean and healthy teeth. Colgate sponsors this initiative.

Remember these 5 steps to ensure your child's smile lasts a lifetime

- 1 – Brush teeth twice a day
 - 2 – Limit sugary snacks and drinks
 - 3 – Supervise your child brushing their teeth
 - 4 – Visit your dentist regularly
 - 5 – Change your toothbrush every 3 months
- You can find out more at www.colgate.co.uk

VOLUNTEERS

If you have any free time to help with reading and within the school, please contact the school office. Please note you will not be placed in your child's class.

GLUE STICKS

Glue sticks can be bought online via Pay360. When you have purchased your glue stick the office will give your child their glue stick with their name on.

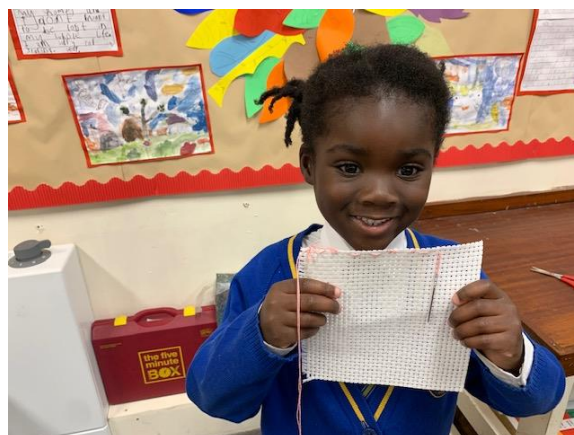


LOST PROPERTY

Please, please can you ensure that your child's name is visible on all items of school uniform !

SEWING CLUB

Mrs Heffernan and I have been so impressed with the concentration and sewing skills being shown by the children in our new sewing club. They are all brilliant – well done !



'OPEN' CLASSROOM

In response to a point raised in our parent questionnaire, we are introducing the above initiative to provide children with an opportunity to share their work/show their classrooms to parents. The Class Teacher will not be available, all very informal.

Our first of these are planned as :-

Monday 3rd October – Year 2 and Year 4

Tuesday 4th October – Years 1, 5 and 6

Thursday 6th October – EYFS and Year 3

SCHOOL UNIFORM CHECK

We carried out a routine uniform check this week in school and, overall, were very happy with the results. We wanted to thank both parents/ carers and the children for co-operating and adhering to our school uniform policy.

DINNER MONEY

Dinner money is £2.30 per day - please see below the monthly costs. ***In accordance with our school policy, dinner money should be paid monthly in advance.***

DINNER MONEY 2022 – 2023

AUTUMN 2022

September £48.40

October £24.20

November £48.40

December £33.00

SPRING 2023

January £48.40

February £35.20

March £50.60

SUMMER 2023

April £22.00

May £41.80

June £44.00

July £33.00

Flute Lessons

Spaces are available for flute lessons please contact the school office and we shall send you the information.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The next First Holy Communion programme at Our Lady of the Crays will begin in November. If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like them join this programme, there will be a parents meeting on Sunday the 9th of October at 12.30pm. To register for this meeting or for more information please email the Parish Office on crayvalley@rcaos.org.uk.

Inter-Class Attendance Race 2022 - 2023

Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 12th September 2022:

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	98	1
Year 1	99	0
Year 2	97	1
Year 3	95	0
Year 4	98	0
Year 5	98	2
Year 6	97	6

Year 1 are the winners this week. The first winners of the new school year – Well done !.

League Table

Year	No. of Wins
Reception	
Year 1	1
Year 2	
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	

Weeks in competition: 1 (full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 98%



Thought for next week's assembly..

Today in assembly, the children were asked to think about 'What does it mean to be rich?'

I'm sure they all have a picture in their head of what this might look like, however in Monday's assembly we will be exploring a story told by Jesus in the gospel of **Luke 16:25**

Children will:

- Consider the true meaning of wealth
- Learn that the way in which we use our time, qualities and material possessions affects our ability to live life to the full.
- Identify in themselves and others good qualities to be treasured and shared.

Please spend a little time with your child talking about this story, it's perhaps even more pertinent during these times of financial difficulty.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher



Dates to Remember

ACADEMIC YEARS 2022 - 2023

Autumn Term 2022:

INSET DAYS	Tuesday 30 August and Wednesday 31st August 2022
First day back:	Thursday 1 st September
Half-term	17.10.22 – 28.10.22
Last day of term	Wednesday 21 st December 2022

Spring Term 2023:

INSET DAY	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
First day of term	Wednesday 4 th January 2023
Half-term	13.02.23 – 17.02.23
Last day of term	Friday 31 st March 2023

Summer Term 2023:

First day of term	Monday 17 th April 2023
Bank Holiday	01.05.23
Half-term	29.05.23 – 02.06.2023
INSET DAY	Monday 5th June 2023
Last day of term	Thursday 20 th July 2023
INSET DAY	Friday 21st July 2023