



# St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

## Newsletter – 30 September 2022 Autumn Term

### Crazy Hair Disco

The PTA would like to invite your child to a "Crazy Hair Disco" in the School Hall on Thursday 13th October 2022.

The disco will start at 6.00pm and all children should be collected at 7.30pm prompt (no children are allowed to go home alone and the school office must be notified in advance if you have arranged alternative collection).

The cost per child is £5 and this includes a drink and a small edible treat.

If you are able to help, please contact Kate Miller via the school office email address.

No tickets will be available after 12.00 Midday on Wednesday 12.10.22 when the booking system will close.



### 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.



## ADVANCE NOTICE REGARDING GREEN ROOM CLUB CLOSURE

Our Green Room Club (GRC) After School Childcare Facility

**WILL NOT BE OPEN**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022**  
(3.20-5.45pm)

due to staff training.

Please make alternate provision should you require after school care on that day.

**We apologise for any inconvenience caused.**

Breakfast Club / Funfit / Skills Academy sessions will be open as usual.

### RSE Newsletter - October 2022

September saw upheaval on a national scale: from the change of Prime Minister to the death of Queen Elizabeth II, to the ongoing cost of living crisis. Times of upheaval and uncertainty are understandably difficult and can take their toll on us physically, mentally and emotionally. But as Christians, we can be grateful for and find comfort in the constancy of God's love and provision.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout October and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope and pray that, whatever is going on for you and your family at the moment, these resources will inspire you and your family to look to God.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

## HARVEST FESTIVAL



Our Harvest Festival Assembly will be held on

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022

On the playground (weather permitting)  
at 10.00 am

You are all welcome to join us.

We are currently collecting food and other goods for the Bromley Borough Foodbank, run from Bromley Christian Centre, whose website states :

*"We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why we provide a minimum of three days of nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us to help them get back on their feet. We are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.*

***"The foodbank was there when we really needed it, it was an absolute lifeline."***

We see this as an important way in which we can be aware of and help our community. Please try to send in donations of food and other goods toward our collection by

*Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October .*

All food items should have as long a shelf life as possible.

We would also like you to send in any **produce** you can spare from your allotment/gardens so that we can make a lovely display for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



## **URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:**

- **\*PLEASE DON'T SEND US FROZEN OR CHILLED ITEMS AS WE DON'T HAVE THE CORRECT STORAGE FOR IT AND IT SPOILS BEFORE WE CAN DISTRIBUTE IT\***

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- **UHT MILK**
  - **COFFEE**
  - **SWEETS**
  - **COOKING SAUCES**
  - **SOUP**
  - **TINNED VEG**
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- **TINNED POTATOES**

## **WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF**

- **PASTA**
  - **BISCUITS**
  - **CEREAL**
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- **TEA**



### **REMINDER - '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. These will be straight after school in the relevant classroom for 30 minutes.

Our first of these are planned as :-

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Year 2 and Year 4

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Years 1, 5 and 6

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October – EYFS and Year 3

### **Consideration for our Neighbours**

Can we please ask that you take your rubbish home with you and do not dispose of it outside our neighbours. Please also be considerate when parking not to park across driveways or on pavements.



### **PE**

As always, children should not wear tights under PE shorts or jogging bottoms to do PE – this is for personal hygiene reasons. Ideally, children will have spare socks in school to change into for PE if they have worn tights to school.

Children are encouraged to wear tracksuit bottoms during the colder months to cover their legs. Dodgeball, Funfit and school PE lessons will be taking place outside. Royal Blue, Navy or black without pattern.

### **Annual Forms and Paperwork**

Apologies for the number of forms and paperwork that has been sent out recently. 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, etc. should be sent in with your child and handed in to their teacher at morning registration.

### **Messages to the class teacher**

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.

### **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 !

### **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 !



### Parents Evening

The parents guide to parents evening was sent to each parent by Schoolcomms today..

There is a link at the top of the page to press on and book appointments.

You are able to make appointments online but will meet face to face with teachers at school.

Bookings open at 4pm today and close 4pm on Sunday 9th October.

Appointments are 3:45 - 7pm on Monday 10th October and 3:45 - 6pm on Wednesday 12th October.

### STAFF CAR PARK

Could we please request that you DO NOT park in the staff car park AT ANY TIME (including for before or after school clubs)– even for short drop offs - as the car park is very busy with staff coming and going and, therefore, is not a safe place for children. We wish to avoid any accidents.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding

### Juventus Taekwondo Academy

#### Student of the Month - September 2022

#### **Congratulations to Hannah Yr4**

During our Taekwondo training sessions and in preparation for her first Competition, Hannah showed a high level of discipline and dedication. She is always there to help others and has a positive attitude. After excelling at her first Competition, we are super excited to see Hannah compete again.

Well done Hannah!! We are all so PROUD of you!

Please get in touch if you would like your child to TRY TAEKWONDO!!



### 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

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher



## Dates to Remember

### ACADEMIC YEARS 2022 - 2023

#### Autumn Term 2022:

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

#### Spring Term 2023:

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

#### Summer Term 2023:

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