



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 14 October 2022 Autumn Term

Secondary Admissions 2023 - Outstanding online applications

This is a reminder that the Secondary Admissions 2023 application deadline is **midnight Monday 31st October 2022**. If you have not yet applied please submit your application online by this deadline. Applications submitted after this date will be classed as late and may not receive an offer on National Offer Day. Parents/carers must access the online eAdmissions application portal via their home Local Authority website (www.bromley.gov.uk for Bromley residents).

Royal British Legion Poppies

We will be selling poppies and other items from Monday 31st October after school.

EYFS Bake Sale

A big thank you to EYFS that baked all morning, and delivered a tray of cakes to each classroom.



BROMLEY WELL YOUNG CARERS

A young carer is someone aged 25 and under who cares for a friend or family member who, due to illness, disability, a mental health problem or an addiction, cannot cope without their support

What might a young carer do?

- * Practical tasks, like cooking, housework and shopping.
- * Physical care, such as helping someone out of bed.
- * Emotional support, including talking to someone who is distressed.
- * Personal care, such as helping someone dress.
- * Managing the family budget and collecting prescriptions.
- * Helping to give medicine.
- * Helping someone communicate.
- * Looking after brothers and sisters

Being a young carer can have a big impact on the things that are important to growing up

- * Young carers are already likely to have significantly lower educational attainment than their peers.
- * With the added complications of COVID-19, young carers have missed out on even more school than before and urgent support is needed if they are not to be left behind their peers.
- * Caring can also be an isolating experience but having the right support in place can give young carers a better chance of succeeding in all parts of their lives.

THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF YOUNG CARERS CAN VARY GREATLY, SO YOUR CHILD MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUPPORT, EVEN IF YOU FEEL LIKE THEY DON'T DO A LOT OF CARING. IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT KNOW A YOUNG CARER PLEASE CONTACT :

youngcarers@bromleywell.org.uk 0208 466 0790

Lorna: 07598 828070 | Joe: 07594 091769

This is the link for the Young Carers newsletter – take a look – they do some amazing things!

[young-carers-newsletter-issue-2\(bromleywell.org.uk\)](http://young-carers-newsletter-issue-2(bromleywell.org.uk))



**Children's Events at Orpington Library
For October 2022**

All activities and events to be booked via
Eventbrite

<https://orpingtonlibrary.eventbrite.co.uk>

Parents/carers to attend all sessions with their children

Windrush Storytime and Craft Event (Black History Month)

Wed 19th October

Time: 2-3pm

Age: 7-11s

Author Event: Peter Bently

Thursday 20th October

11-12

Age: 3-7s

Author Event: Mo O'Hara

Monday 24th October

Time 11-12

Age: 6+

Anansi Storytime and Craft Event (Black History Month)

Wed 26th October

Time: 2-3pm

Age: 3-7s

Month of The Holy Rosary

The Month of the Holy Rosary is special to us because we pay our respects to Mary our mother by praying the rosary. We do this because Mary loves us so much. She is the mother of Jesus and is special to us. This week, RE ambassadors led prayers with classes Y1-Y6 by praying a decade of the rosary in the prayer garden. Reception class created their own mini-rosaries. It was lovely to be able to reflect on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary out in nature.

By Camila, Justeena & Luis (Y4 RE ambassadors)



URGENT: Responsive Polio Vaccination for Children Aged 1 to 9 in London. We have been asked by the School Nurses to share this important information with you:

In response to the alarming findings of the poliovirus in sewage in London boroughs, the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) have instructed all children aged 1 to 9 in London to urgently get a booster dose to ensure their children are fully protected. We have not seen a live case of polio in the UK since 1984, and it is vital that we prevent any community spread which could result in life-long paralysis and other disabilities, and in some cases, even death. There is no cure for polio, immunisation is the only protection. We are asking for the school's support in this drive to protect children by helping the NHS to raise awareness of the polio booster and directing parents and guardians at your school to take action. The NHS have been contacting parents to arrange a booster vaccination at local GP practices, however, due to the urgency of the situation, we have also stood up additional vaccine centres and pharmacies to aid in the delivery of the vaccine.

Call to action:

- Visit nhs.uk/polio-sites to find local vaccination centres and pharmacies providing vaccination. Many offer walk-in services (no appointment necessary), and at others you can book online or by phone
- Visit www.bromley.gov.uk for local services and information
- Check your child's health record (red book) to see if they are up to date on all their immunisations

You can find more information about polio and the vaccination programme at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/polio-booster-campaign-resources>

Crazy Hair Disco

The children had a brilliant time at this great event. Huge thanks to Mrs Miller and all the parents who helped make it happen!



Inter-Class Attendance Race 2022 - 2023

Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 3rd October 2022:

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	98	2
Year 1	91	1
Year 2	96	1
Year 3	98	2
Year 4	99	0
Year 5	97	2
Year 6	98	7

Year 4 are the winners this week. Their first win of the year – keep it up – Well done !.

League Table

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

Weeks in competition: 3 (full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 96.7%



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 half term break.

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
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