



# St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

## Newsletter – 13 January 2023 Spring Term

### Christmas Jumper Day

The children all looked fantastic in their Christmas jumpers last year. Thanks to you all we have this week sent off £105.70 to Save the Children.



*This is a short summary of the fantastic work that Save the Children do – thank you.*

#### WHAT WE DO

*In the UK and around the world, we make sure children keep safe, healthy and learning.*

#### WE'VE HELPED...

- **45 million children** across the world get the medicine, good food and education they need

#### WE ARE...

- **Over 600,000 supporters**, alongside families, nurses, teachers and other workers

#### WE BELIEVE...

- **In a world where every child has a chance of the future they deserve.**

*With children, for children, we change the future for good.*

### ADVANCE NOTICE REGARDING GREEN ROOM CLUB

#### CLOSURE

Our Green Room Club (GRC)  
After School Childcare Facility

#### WILL NOT BE OPEN

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023** (3.20-5.45pm)  
due to staff training.

Please make alternate provision should you require after school care on that day. Breakfast Club will be open as usual.

### Art Club

There was high demand for Art club in Spring term, so prefects picked names out of a basket. The children picked are:

Emily, Amelia, Melissa and Peter, Avantika, Victor, Luis, Betsy, Zanna and Zaria



Art Club begins at 12.30 every Tuesday.

Drawing club will continue daily in the infant playground with art ambassadors.

### Dance Day Lunch

We will be having a special lunch on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. If your child is packed lunch and would like this special lunch please make payment on the Pay360 and also email the school office to let them know. Details were emailed out to all parents / carers.

### School Fund Contribution

We ask that each family contributes to a fund which helps to subsidise outings, cover the cost of cooking ingredients and pay for various other items needed to provide enrichment activities for your child. Enrichment of the curriculum is a strength here and your family contribution to the school fund will be put to very good use. The recommended amount is **£5 per family per term**, and this can be paid online (under products, online shop). Your contributions are very much appreciated.



### Denominational Inspection

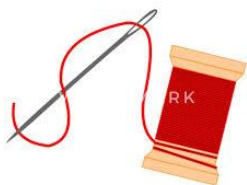
Please find attached the final report following our Section 48 Inspection by the Diocese. We were graded 'GOOD' overall with 'OUTSTANDING' Features. I think the report reads beautifully and is so complimentary about our lovely children. I hope, like us, you are proud of the excellent provision of Catholic education and spiritual growth offered here at St Philomena's and I would like to say a huge thank you and well done to all our children and staff.

Thank you, also, to the parents who joined us to meet the inspectors and to our governing body for their continued support.

If you have any questions regarding the report, please do not hesitate to ask.

### Sewing Club

Please note that due to other commitments, sewing club will now take place on Wednesday. There will be two more sessions on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January and we will then start with a new group (those children on the waiting list and anyone who hasn't yet taken part) after half term



### Open Classrooms

Our new initiative of 'Open Classroom' was very warmly received so we will continue this offer for the foreseeable future.

Here are the dates for this term Please come with your child so they can share their super work and displays. The Class Teacher will not be available – all very informal.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Year 2 and Year 4

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Years 1, 5 and 6

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – EYFS and Year 3

I am confident this will assist with the conversation you will have with your child's teacher at the Parent/Teacher meetings the following week. (Confirmed timings and details of booking system to be shared with you soon).



If you have any questions, please ask.

### Starting Primary School

The on-time application deadline for the 2023 Reception intake is this Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 (for children born between 1.9.18 and 31.8.19). The online application system is available for Bromley residents via the home page of [www.bromley.gov.uk](http://www.bromley.gov.uk).

### 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**

##### **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



## TERM DATES

### 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> <b>08.05.23</b>

Half-term	29.05.23 – 02.06.2023
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<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>

The 2023/2024 term dates are available on the School Website.

Please refer to these dates when you are considering booking your holidays as holidays **MUST NOT** be taken during term time.

Thank you for your co-operation