



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 14 January 2022

Spring Term

Assembly Themes

This week's assemblies have followed the following themes :-

Monday

The Baptism of Jesus – a momentous occasion where we meet the family of God: the Holy Trinity. Using a painting, the assembly explored the Holy Trinity and helped children learn that God invites us into His family and be called His children – if we choose to accept the invitation!

Friday

Reception and KS1 – The Snowdrop – how this flower is a sign of hope for springtime. We watched an animated film about how brave the snowdrop is to be the first flower to grow.

KS2 – Why should I be good ?

We watched a short animated film about Ben who found an 'Invisibility Ring'.

This was such an amazing assembly where children were so enthusiastic in sharing their ideas in response to questions such as :-

Should we only be good if there is a reward or treat? When is it difficult to make the right choice? Who are we being good for? How easy is it to face the consequences when we make the wrong choices?

Do speak to your children about these assemblies; you're guaranteed an interesting discussion !

Message to motorists – Please DO NOT leave your engine running whilst parked !

It has been brought to our attention that some parents/carers leave their engines running at drop off and pick up (particularly at the back gate).

Bromley has an "anti-idling campaign" – aimed at developing the children's awareness of ways to reduce the negative impact that the way we live has on our environment. Idling impacts greatly on the health of the whole community and we would like to work with our families to take this simple step towards improving the air quality around our school.

Research shows that concentrations around an idling diesel car are on average 2.6 times higher than ambient levels and higher at children's head height.

Poor air quality is a major health concern and as a major source of pollution is road transport, idling engines contribute to local air pollution.

The advice is to switch off your engine if parked or waiting for a minute or longer to help improve local air quality. It is a small change that will make a big difference.

Motorists find many reasons to keep their vehicle idling including the myth that stopping and starting is bad for the engine. Drivers also thought that idling on a yellow line is okay – although any illegal parking like this could result in a fine. These myths are not true, as modern engines for example, will not have a problem stopping and starting and by not idling, there is less fuel consumption and cost.

Thank you for your co-operation

Unwanted Christmas Cards

Dear Parents and Carers,

If you have any left over and unwanted or used Christmas cards that we could recycle, please send them into school with your child to give to the Mini Vinnies in Year 3. We are planning a project for them.

Thank you very much

From Joy

Mini Vinnie Secretary

CONGRATULATIONS !!

On Saturday 11th December 2021, Juventus Taekwondo Academy held their Winter KUP and Pre-Dan Grading Day - 25 St. Philomena's Students participated and I am pleased to announce that ALL students PASSED. We even had a few students DOUBLE GRADE.

WELL DONE TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS!!

PROMOTED TO 9th KUP/ Yellow Tag:

Ioane	Freddie
Robyn	William
Izabella	Oliver
John	Adachukwu

PROMOTED TO 8th KUP/ Yellow Belt:

Isabella	Teddy
Chinedu	Mateusz
Raymond	Jessica
Caleb	Elijah
Ava	Sebastian
Nehemiah (Double Grade)	
Hannah (Double Grade)	
Caleb (Double Grade)	
Bailey (Double Grade)	

PROMOTED TO 6th KUP/ Green Belt

Amiyah-Leigh
D'Anton (Double Grade)



School Uniform

Please make sure all school uniform has your child's name on.

Rock Steady

Rock Steady pupils will be having concert on Thursday 27 January – details will be emailed out to the parents with the times of their performance.

Glue Sticks

Please remember to purchase a glue stick for your child. These can be purchased on the Pay360 online payment system.



Term Dates

Spring Term 2022:

First day of term	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
Half-term	14.02.22 – 18.02.22
Last day of term	Friday 1 st April 2022

(Good Friday 15th April 2022 and Easter Monday 18th April 2022)

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First day of term	Tuesday 19 th April 2022
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Bank Holiday

02.05.22

Half-term	30.05.22 – 03.06.22
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Last day of term	Thursday 21 st July 2022
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***Staff Training Day Friday 22nd July**

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher
Head Teacher

