



## St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

### Newsletter 16 January 2026

#### Upright Piano

The piano we use for our lessons in the Breakfast Club room needs some attention (requires tuning and a new pedal). We have managed, via Miho our piano teacher, to source a free of charge replacement which is fantastic. Therefore, we are happy to offer our old piano to anyone who might want it... If you think you may be interested, do pop in to have a look at it. The recipient would need to arrange collection. Thank you !



#### Parking

When parking please be considerate of residents by **not blocking driveways, dropped kerbs, garages or emergency access**, as obstructive parking creates hazards for children and is an inconvenience to our neighbours.



#### Miss Bartholomew

Miss Bartholomew officially started her maternity leave this week as she hoping to have her baby very soon ! We wish her all the very best and look forward to sharing her good news as soon as baby arrives.

In the meantime, we have appointed Mrs Ermis to cover Year 3 on Thursday and Reception on Friday. We are delighted to welcome her to the St Philomena's team !

Our Green Room Club (GRC) After School  
Childcare Facility

### **WILL NOT BE OPEN**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026** (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 will be open as usual.

#### Water Bottles

We have noticed a number of similar and very expensive water bottles appearing in school. A simple named water bottle is all the children need as these fit under the new water fountains we have installed. We will obviously do our best to find lost bottles but will not be responsible for expensive lost water bottles.

### **School Uniform**

Can we please ask that boys do not wear skins/leggings for school with socks over the top. The school uniform policy is school shorts. They are welcome to wear jogging bottoms in winter outside over normal school uniform shorts.

#### **BOYS**

*White shirt and school tie*

*Royal blue v-neck jumper with school logo and gold stripe Short grey trousers - long trousers are not allowed*

*Grey, navy or black socks*

**For PE:** *Black Plimsolls/Black trainers (must be completely black with no coloured/white markings or soles) Blue T-shirt with school logo\* Navy\* or black shorts for P.E. Plain blue plimsoll bag*

**Please Note:** *Royal blue, navy or black tracksuit trousers may be worn in winter for outdoor play and outdoor PE over normal school uniform or PE kit.*

No brand names or stripes.

*Children will change into their uniform shorts or skirts before they go into class.*

Please see link to our school uniform on our school website.

[https://www.st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Uniform%20List%202024\(1\).pdf](https://www.st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Uniform%20List%202024(1).pdf)

### **Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026:**

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	99	2
Year 1	98	0
Year 2	98	1
Year 3	98	9
Year 4	97	2
Year 5	98	5
Year 6	95	1

Reception have won this week (the first win of 2026). Well done!

There were a lot of latecomers this week – please make every effort to arrive on time (and maybe leave a little earlier because of the current road closures). Thank you

#### **League Table**

Year	No. of Wins
Reception	2
Year 1	3
Year 2	5
Year 3	3
Year 4	0
Year 5	1
Year 6	1

**Weeks in competition: 15 (full weeks only)**

**OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 98%**

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher  
Head Teacher



## ACADEMIC YEARS 2026 - 2027



## ACADEMIC YEARS 2025 - 2026

### Spring Term 2026

**Half-term** 16.02.26 – 20.02.26

#### **Back to school**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

#### **Last day of term**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### Summer Term 2026

#### **First day of term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

#### **Bank Holiday**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Half-term** 25.05.26– 29.05.2026

#### **Back to school**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

#### **Last day of term**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**INSET DAYS** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

### Autumn Term 2026

#### **INSET DAYS:**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

#### **BANK HOLIDAY**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026**

#### **First day back of term**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026

**Half-term** 19.10.26-30.10.26

#### **Back to school**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2026

#### **Last day of term**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026

### Spring Term 2027

#### **First day of term**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027

**Half-term** 15.02.2027- 19.02.2027

#### **Back to school**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2027

#### **Last day of term**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027

**Good Friday 26 March, Easter Monday 29 March**

### Summer Term 2027

#### **First day of term**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027

#### **Bank Holiday**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027**

**Half-term** 31.05.27 – 04.06.27

#### **Back to school**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2027

#### **Last day of term**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2027

#### **INSET DAYS**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2027**