



# St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

**Newsletter – 4 February 2022**

**Spring Term**

## **Year 5 Trip to Wick Court**

Year 5 children are at Wick court farm for the week. The farm provides a unique 'learning through doing' experience - a week in the life of a real, working farm. During their stay, children get involved in all sorts of jobs around the farm, including:

- Collecting eggs
  - Feeding lambs and calves
  - Mucking out horses
  - Grooming donkeys and ponies
  - Beekeeping and birdwatching
  - Milking goats
  - Feeding cows, pigs, poultry and sheep
  - Planting and harvesting in the kitchen garden
  - Checking the health of livestock in the fields
- They are all having a wonderful time!!





### Spring Term Online Parent Teacher Meetings

Our Spring Term Parent Teacher meetings will take place over two evenings on Monday 28th February 15:45 – 19:00 and Wednesday 2nd March 15:45 – 18:00. These meetings are incredibly important as they provide an opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher and discuss your child's progress. As a school, we have taken the decision to continue to use SchoolCloud for our Parent Teacher meetings again this term to help ensure the safety of everyone in our school community.

Please visit

<https://stphilomenasprimaryschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book an appointment with your child's class teacher. The system allows you to choose your own appointment times and you will receive an email confirming your appointment.

You will be able to attend the appointment online via SchoolCloud by following the link sent to your email. For those of you who are not familiar with the online booking system, attached to this letter is a short guide explaining how to use the SchoolCloud booking system which I hope you will find useful.

**APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE FROM 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AND WILL CLOSE ON 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY**

### Safer Internet Day – 8<sup>th</sup> February

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively. Safer Internet Day 2022 is on 8th February.

### CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

#### MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

A separate letter was sent out earlier in the week with details of our plans for Children's Mental Health Week - we will be asking all of the children to think about what they "hope" for - hope is the **positive emotion** we feel when we envision a brighter future and often helps us through hard times. Look out for our ribbons of hope in the gazebo in the coming weeks.

### Cricket

Year 2 children enjoyed a session of cricket this week – showing their skills!





## TERM DATES

### Glue Stick

All children should have glue sticks available in class – you are able to purchase these from the school office and pay via the Pay360 system.

### Inter-Class Attendance Race

The attendance rates have not been affected by any absence due to Covid-19 (isolation/symptoms or testing).

### **Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> January 2022:**

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	92	1
Year 1	95	5
Year 2	95	2
Year 3	93	2
Year 4	97	0
Year 5	95	2
Year 6	94	2

Year 4 are the winners this week. Well done !

### **League Table**

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

**Weeks in competition: 19 (full weeks only)**

**OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 94.4%**



### **Spring Term 2022:**

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

*(Good Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2022 and Easter Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022)*

### **Summer Term 2022:**

First day of term Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022

**Bank Holiday 02.05.22**

Half-term 30.05.22 – 03.06.22

**Bank Holiday 15.06.22**

Last day of term Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022

**\*Staff Training Day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

## **ACADEMIC YEARS 2022 – 2023**

### **TERM DATES**

### **Autumn Term 2022:**

**Inset Days: Tuesday 30 August**

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

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

### **Spring Term 2023:**

First day of term Tuesday 3<sup>rd</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

**Bank Holiday 01.05.23**

Half-term 29.05.23 – 02.06.2023

Last day of term Friday 21 July 2023

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Gemma Eves  
Deputy Head Teacher

