



# St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

**Newsletter 12 September 2025**

**Autumn Term**

**Our Harvest Festival Assembly will be held on**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

**at**

**10.00 am**

**You are all very welcome to join us.**

**We will be sending your donations to Bromley food Bank who have asked us to pass on this message** "Harvest is traditionally a time of gratitude and giving, and together we can ensure that no one in our community goes hungry. When you donate or spread the word, you are helping us bring hope to local people at a time when they need it most.

From all of us at the foodbank — thank you for your kindness and generosity."



## Urgently needed food items:

- \*please don't send us frozen or chilled items as we don't have the correct storage for it and it spoils before we can distribute it\*
- Washing Detergent (Gel/Sheets)
- Tinned Cold Meats
- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Vegetables
- Mens Deodorant
- Biscuits
- Bleach
- Tinned Soup


## **Meet Mrs Eves (SENCo)**

We understand how important it is to feel supported with your child's learning journey. Our Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo), **Mrs Eves**, will be offering informal 10-minute appointments for parents who would like to discuss any concerns or ask questions about their child this term.

Appointments will be available on the following dates, between **3:00pm and 4:00pm**:

- **Tuesday 14th October**
- **Wednesday 15th October**
- **Tuesday 4th November**
- **Wednesday 5th November**

These sessions are a great opportunity to speak directly with Mrs Eves in a relaxed setting. **Appointments are limited** and will be made available to book via **School Cloud**.

 *Please note: this is an advance notice.* Bookings have **not yet gone live**, but will be available to request soon. Please keep an eye on school communications for further updates.

### **After School Activity Clubs**

Can we please remind you that children must bring their own sports clothes for the sports after school clubs they cannot do it in school uniform. Shin pads must also be worn for football.

### **Rocksteady**

Rocksteady information sent home today.  
Spaces available.

### **School Coats / Jackets**

As the weather is changing can your child please remember to bring a school coat/jacket that is named. School coat or jacket – BLUE, royal if possible, navy or black (other colours MAY NOT be worn) – the material of the coat must be without pattern.

### **School Uniform**

Please can you make sure all items are named – already we have lost property! This includes water bottles.



### **Parking Reminder**

Can we please remind parents/ carers to be considerate to our neighbours when parking and not to park across driveways or cause obstruction. We have already had a complaint and photos sent in this week regarding parking across a driveway in Stanton Close.



### **Absence in Term Time**

A reminder that any absence from school in term time, will only be agreed following a meeting /discussion with myself. Authorisation of absence can only be granted for 'exceptional circumstances' as per our Attendance Policy. I am receiving an increasing number of emails informing me that children will be absent for family holiday, without any prior discussion. In this instance, absence will not be authorised. Here is a link to our Attendance Policy for clarity.

[https://www.st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Attendance%20Policy%202022\(1\).pdf](https://www.st-philomenas.bromley.sch.uk/ckfinder/userfiles/files/Attendance%20Policy%202022(1).pdf)

### **Year 3 Stone Age Day**

Year 3 had a fantastic Stone Age Day exploring how people lived in the past. The children learned to cook prehistoric recipes on an open fire, forage for food, build shelters, make mud pots, and use berries to create natural paints for cave painting. It was a wonderful way to launch their new topic.



## Clubs

Clubs have resumed this term, and it is lovely to see children enjoying extracurricular activities including art, chess, computing, choir, orchestra, TTRS, gardening and cross country! If your child would like to join a club, they should speak to their class teacher to express their interest.

## **Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025:**

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	99	0
Year 1	99	0
Year 2	96	0
Year 3	100	0
Year 4	96	0
Year 5	96	2
Year 6	99	1

Year 3 – you are the first winners of this school year. Well done! Reward stickers were given to the class during the week.

## **League Table**

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

**Weeks in competition: 1 (full weeks only)**

**OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 98%**

## Community Information

### Congratulations

Over the summer break Ollie in Year 4 was scouted and signed for Bromley Youth Academy also known as Bromley FC. He is their top goal scorer after competing in several friendlies throughout the summer before the official start of the football season. Congratulations Ollie.







**FREE  
TENNIS  
OPEN DAY  
5-8 YEAR OLDS**

**SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
**SESSION 1: 2-3PM**  
**SESSION 2: 3-4PM**  
**EMAIL TO BOOK:**  
**INFO@BROMLEYTENNISCENTRE.CO.UK**

Join us for loads of fun, games and coach led tennis activities that you can expect from regular lessons.

Current tennis lesson availability:  
 Saturday and Sunday 8-9am  
 Saturday 12-1pm  
 Sunday 11-12 and 12-1pm  
 Limited weekday afternoons

**Bromley**  
TENNIS CENTRE

Bromley Tennis Centre, Avebury Road,  
 Orpington, BR6 9SA  
[www.bromleytenniscentre.co.uk](http://www.bromleytenniscentre.co.uk)  
 01689 880407



## ACADEMIC YEARS 2025 - 2026

### Autumn Term 2025

#### Half-term

20.10.25 – 31.10.25

#### Back to school

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

#### Last day of term

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

### Spring Term 2026

#### First day of term

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 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**

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher  
 Head Teacher

