



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 26 June 2026

Summer Term

Heatwave !

Thank you so much for your understanding and clear communication with school throughout the last couple of days. Making decisions about what's best to do in these situations is so difficult but ultimately, the safety of our children and staff is at the forefront.

Thanks also, to our wonderful staff for being so creative with their approach to learning this week. Its is incredibly hot inside the building but everyone has worked together to ensure that the children in school are still engaged in the curriculum.

Hopefully, everything will be back to normal next week !

Appeal from our PTA



Hi, We're calling on all parents and guardians this summer to help St Philomena's PTA Orpington fundraise. There's a really simple way you can help without donating anything - simply get the easyfundraising app! It's completely free and when you use it to do your normal day-to-day shopping with 8,000+ online retailers, we'll receive a free cashback donation, AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU. Even better, if you get the app and become our supporter this week, we get a £3 bonus donation just for inviting you. Use the link below and install the app on your mobile device, then fill in the simple steps to become our supporter for free. This will make a huge difference, thank you! Get the app

here: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/?causeld=426039&utm_campaign=summer-parent-power&utm_source=pmc&utm_medium=email&utm_content=SPPemail1

Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 8th June 2026:

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	98	4
Year 1	98	2
Year 2	95	0
Year 3	95	1
Year 4	97	0
Year 5	99	6
Year 6	94	1

League Table

Year	No. of Wins
Reception	2
Year 1	7
Year 2	10
Year 3	5
Year 4	2
Year 5	4
Year 6	1

Weeks in competition: 31
(Full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 96.4%

B-Starz Academy

We are so excited to be offering a free holiday club at St Philomena's School this year. We have 5 days of drama, fun and games planned.

This camp is free for all children in receipt of benefit related FSM and fees are reduced to £20 per day for all other pupils.

Our camp day is 10am-2pm and includes a healthy lunch.

Please find below the booking link for families to register interest as we only have 20 free places bookings go live on 6th July.

The booking link is below.

Feel free to email or call Jasmine if you have any questions

Many thanks,
Jasmine

<https://eegu.org/book/b-starz-fun-drama-summer-camp-orpington-with-b-starz-academy-31214>

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ACADEMIC YEARS 2025 - 2026

Summer Term 2026:

First day of term Monday 13th April 2026

Bank Holiday

Monday 4th May 2026

Half-term

25.05.26– 29.05.2026

Back to school

Monday 1st June 2026

Last day of term

Monday 20th July 2026

INSET DAYS

Tuesday 21st and

Wednesday 22nd July 2026

ACADEMIC YEARS 2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 2026

INSET DAYS:

Wednesday 26th August 2026

Thursday 27th August 2026

Friday 28th August 2026

BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 31st August 2026

First day back of term

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Half-term 19.10.26-30.10.26

Back to school

Monday 2nd November 2026

Last day of term

Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

First day of term

Monday 4th January 2027

Half-term 15.02.2027- 19.02.2027

Back to school

Monday 22nd February 2027

Last day of term

Thursday 25th March 2027

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

Summer Term 2027

First day of term

Monday 12th April 2027

Bank Holiday

Monday 3rd May 2027

Half-term 31.05.27 – 04.06.27

Back to school

Monday 7th June 2027

Last day of term

Wednesday 21st July 2027

INSET DAYS

Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd July 2027

Sports Day - Wed 24.6.26

School Uniform

A reminder that earrings of any type are NOT permitted in school. Please ensure these are removed at home.

Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the sunshine !

Miss V Maher
Headteacher

