

St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

<u>Newsletter – 19 April 2024</u> <u>Summer Term</u>

Welcome back to school ! I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break. As we start the final term of the school year, we have so much to cram into the next couple of months and we are sure to be very busy !

Absence during term time

Please refer to our Attendance Policy on the website when considering your holiday bookings. You will note that absence from school for family holidays is **not permitted**. If you need to take your child out for any reason, please ask for an appointment with Miss Maher to discuss. Medical appointments will be authorised when the office staff have sight of the relevant appointment information / letter. Thank you

Girls Football Team

Well done to our girls football team. They played 3 matches last night and played really well.

Congratulations

Joshua went on a football tournament in Barcelona with a group of boys from the Rondo's Academy. After a rocky start they went on to win the Barcelona plate shield having lots of fun on the way.



Visit by Gareth Bacon MP

Following our school council's visit to the Houses of Parliament when they met our MP, the children wanted to invite him to our school. Ava and Leyla wrote to him with an invitation and he came to see us this morning.

The school council members gave Gareth Bacon a tour of the school, he enjoyed some nice refreshments and cakes and then he spoke to the whole school in assembly. The children were given the opportunity to ask him any questions they wished. As always, the children were impeccably behaved, polite and really interested in what Gareth had to share. They asked some super questions too.

Our parent governor, Karis Baker, joined us and took the opportunity to share with Gareth our concerns about the safety of the road outside school. She accompanied him down the drive to talk through all the incidents that have happened and whilst there, a neighbour joined them and stressed how bad the road is. The neighbour has kept records and photographs and will email these to Gareth. There are no guarantees but at least we are doing all we can to raise the profile of the issue. Thank you Karis !

Huge thanks, to our wonderful school council. They planned the schedule and were totally in charge of everything that was organised for today. We were all very proud of them.



ADVANCE NOTICE REGARDING GREEN ROOM CLUB CLOSURE

To whom it may concern,

Our Green Room Club (GRC) After School Childcare Facility

WILL NOT BE OPEN

Thursday 16th May 2024 (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

After School Sports Clubs

All our clubs start back next week and the children should have received a slip if they have received a space.



Swingball Club

Swingball club starts next week. There is now a waiting list for this club. We look forward to this new club.



Taekwondo-Change of Date

Monday 3rd June this class has be rescheduled and will now be on Thursday 4th June. If you have booked after school club please let the office know your changes otherwise you will still be charged.



Ice Cream Sale

Ice creams and lollies will be sold in the playground after school every Friday (weather permitting).



Important Dates Marian service 2pm 14.05.24 Sports Day 26.06.24

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher Head Teacher



TERM DATES

Summer Term 2024: First day of term

Bank Holiday Half-term Last day of term INSET DAYS Monday 15thth April 2024

Monday 6th May 2024 27.05.24 – 31.05.2024 Friday 19th July 2024 Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th July 2024

TERM DATES

ACADEMIC YEARS 2024 - 2025

Autumn Term 2024: INSET DAYS: Tuesday 27th August 2024 Wednesday 28th August 2024

First day back:

Thursday 29th August 2024

Half-term Last day of term 21.10.21 –1.11.24 Friday 20th December 2024

Spring Term 2025:

First day of term Half-term Last day of term Monday 6th January 2025 17.02.25 – 21.02.25 Friday 4th April 2025

Summer Term 2025:

First day of term

Monday 5th May 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Bank Holiday Half-term

26.05.25-30.05.2025

Last day of term Friday 18th July 2025 INSET DAYS Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd July 2025