



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 03 May 2024

Summer Term

Fundraising

We have made the following donations to charities this week:

Catholic Children's Society £250 Lent sponsorship activities Plus £244.50 from wear something purple for Lent day
Total £494.50

CAFOD £250 from Lent sponsorship activities

Healthy Schools – Gold Award

We are very excited to have successfully had our Healthy Schools Gold Award renewed for another 3 years.

There are 2,339 London Schools registered for Healthy Schools and of these, only 413 have the Gold Award.

The aim of the Healthy Schools Award is to encourage schools to review the initiatives in place and the work carried out to improve the health, wellbeing and resilience of the school community.



Taekwondo-Change of Date

Monday 3rd June this class has been rescheduled and will now be on Thursday 6th 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).



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

Glue Sticks

Please provide your child with a glue stick for class. These can be purchased from the school gateway £1.50.



School Uniform

Please note PE uniform should be 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.

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 During the winter. **must be no coloured/white markings on tracksuit**

Year 5 Maths Challenge

I had the pleasure of accompanying four of our Year 5 mathematicians to a special challenge day against many other schools hosted by Royal Russel School in Croydon.

The children took part in lots of practical Maths brainteasers and formal written problem solving questions and watched an amazing magical Maths show all about the Rubik's cube. I was very proud of the conduct and performance of our children Luis, Camila, Dhiren and Justeena and really enjoyed the day. Special thanks to our governor, Lindsey Smith, for the invitation to her school and for inviting us for a lovely lunch too !



Important Dates

Marian service 2pm 14.05.24
Sports Day 26.06.24
Y5 Ancient Greek Day –20.05.24
PTA Meeting – 3pm 22.05.24

Mass at Our Lady of the Cray

Reception 06.06.24
Year 1 23.05.24
Year 2 16.05.24
Year 3 09.05.24
Year 6 10.05.24

Attendance Race 2023- 2024

Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 22nd April 2024 :

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	97	2
Year 1	100	3
Year 2	96	0
Year 3	99	0
Year 4	97	0
Year 5	97	0
Year 6	96	0

Year 1 have won this week - Well done !

League Table

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

Weeks in competition: 24(full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 97.5%

May is Mental Health Awareness month

May is Mental Health Awareness month – where we aim to create a world with good mental health for all.

Since 2006, May has been a time to acknowledge the importance of children's mental health, show that positive mental health is essential to a child's healthy development from birth.

Our May newsletters will each contain tips/information regarding Mental Health that you may find useful

Have a wonderful weekend.



Miss Veronica Maher
Head Teacher

Here's what children and young people told us they need from you:

- 1 We don't need to have 'one-off conversations about our mental health' – sometimes a chat on a journey or at bedtime is enough.
- 2 I need to know it's okay to talk to you about any and all of my feelings. Please hear what I have to say, without interrupting me.
- 3 Please listen to me carefully and acknowledge how I am feeling – it might seem silly to you but what I am going through is important to me.
- 4 Playing with pets can make me feel better. Same with playing football, basketball or whatever type of sport I am into.
- 5 Don't compare my experiences to your own when you were a child.
- 6 Sometimes I just need you to listen and hear what I'm saying – I don't always need answers (or lectures)
- 7 Please don't worry about trying to fix things for me – I often just need to know you are there for me and understand what I am going through.
- 8 If you are open with me about your feelings, this can help me to be more open about mine.
- 9 Sometimes I don't want to talk. Please trust that I will come to you (or another grown-up or someone my own age) when I'm ready. Sometimes it's easier for me to talk to someone nearer my own age – my siblings, cousins, friends, younger teachers at school - because they 'get it'.
- 10 Sometimes a hug is all it takes to make me feel supported.

 **PRINT ME OUT!**

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ACADEMIC YEARS 2024 - 2025

Summer Term 2024:

Bank Holiday	Monday 6th May 2024
Half-term	27.05.24 – 31.05.2024
Last day of term	Friday 19 th July 2024
INSET DAYS	Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th July 2024

Autumn Term 2024:

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

First day back:	Thursday 29 th August 2024
Half-term	21.10.21 – 1.11.24
Last day of term	Friday 20 th December 2024

Spring Term 2025:

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

Summer Term 2025:

First day of term	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
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Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May 2025
Half-term	26.05.25– 30.05.2025
Last day of term	Friday 18 th July 2025
INSET DAYS	
Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd July 2025	