



# St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

## Newsletter – 20 June 2025

### Summer Term

#### First Holy Communion

Please keep in your prayers, the children taking part in their first sacrament of the Eucharist on Saturday at Our Lady of the Crays. Such a special day in the faith journey of our children.

We ask for God's blessings on the children and their families and wish them a joyful day.



Amber, Jason, Belle, Ivy, William, Emily D, Kaison, Emily M, Hazel and Christian.

#### Year 2 Class Assembly

Our Year 2 children amazed us with their fantastic assembly, showcasing all they've been learning in class this term. The assembly was filled with energy and lots of proud smiles as the children shared their knowledge and achievements. The children spoke with loud



and clear voice, making sure everyone could hear and enjoy their hard work. We couldn't be prouder of how confidently the children presented themselves. Thank you to the Year 2 teachers for guiding and supporting them.



#### Farewell and Welcome back !

Ms Benbow's last day in Year 2 will be Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July as Miss Molineaux returns from maternity leave and will teach Year 2 on Thursdays and Fridays until the end of term.

We express huge thanks to Ms Benbow for her time and commitment to our children. She plans to put her feet up now and enjoy life a little more and we wish her much happiness in doing so.



Allocations for class teachers for next academic year will be shared on the first of our special transition days on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025.



#### Floral Fest

The Green Team have worked incredibly hard on a planter to represent our school in the Bromley Schools Competition. The theme is "Future Schools", and our entry will be judged between 11–12pm by Charlie Dimmock. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend — it would be lovely to have some school support! Unfortunately, Mrs Anderson can't be there, so if you're free, please do go along and represent us.



Our planter is a school in space: a reminder that if we don't care for Earth, it might not always be our home. It is plastic-free, lined with hessian, and



painted with biodegradable, non-toxic ingredients. We are proud to be an Eco and Fairtrade school and have included ethically sourced materials. We have planted vegetables to show that schools can grow their own food – even in small spaces like a

spaceship! We chose bright flowers to encourage pollination and support local biodiversity and included a bug hotel to remind us how even the smallest creatures play a part in protecting our planet. Our planter reflects our vision of a sustainable, eco-conscious future where we share the love of God through the way we care for His creation.

### **Ice-Cream Friday**

Ice creams and Ice lollies will be sold after school every Friday (weather permitting). Please bring small change with you.



### **Assembly Dates**

Year 1 - 03 July 10am  
Year 4 - 26 June 10am  
Year 6 - TBC

### **Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025:**

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	98	3
Year 1	98	2
Year 2	99	0
Year 3	98	2
Year 4	98	0
Year 5	92	0
Year 6	97	0

Well done Year 2 - you are the winners this week !

### **League Table**

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

**Weeks in competition: 32**

**(full weeks only)**

**OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 97.1%**

### **Breakfast Club and Green Room Club – Wrap-around child care facility**

Our Breakfast Club and Green Room Club were opened 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2011 in order to provide out of school child-care for our pupils.

Due to inflation and increases in the cost of living, we have had to make the difficult decision to increase our fees from 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025. As providers, our energy bills, food costs, business rates, etc. are more expensive than ever before and to remain sustainable we have had to revise our fee structure.

We are very aware of the pressures on you as parents and carers and we, therefore, have tried to keep our fee increase as low as possible, while still offering excellent childcare provision.

The new charges per session will be as follows:

Breakfast Club £8.00

Green Room Club £18.00

I hope this information helps you to understand the challenges we face and the difficult choices we are faced with.

# DATES TO REMEMBER

1. Sports Day - Wed 25.6.25
2. Back up Sports Day - Wed 9.7.25  
KS1 9.30-11.15pm  
KS2 1.30-3.15pm
3. PTA Colour Run - after sports day
4. NCMP and Vision Screening for Rec & Yr6 – Tues 17.06.25
5. School Class photos - Thurs 26.06.25
6. Rocksteady Concert – Thurs 10.07.25 10am
7. Year 6 Leavers Mass – Thurs 17.07.25 11am

## PTA

The PTA wish to advise you that there will NOT be a Summer Fayre this year - instead we will have the Colour Run after Sports Day.

You are all invited to attend / stay for a BBQ and a drink and watch the colour run - even if you are not actually taking part !!



Refreshments available to purchase during the event.  
Please bring a picnic blanket.

## Colour Run Family Event

Win a chance to gunge Your teacher.  
Raffle tickets available Online.

**25th June 2025**

After sports day first race @ 4pm

Registration Deadline: 13th June 2025

Colour packs are available via school pay system @ £5 per person taking part.

Details of event: Fact sheet available via seesaw.

POSTER MAKER

Pupils, parents and family members are all invited to take part in our Colour Run Family Event after Sports Day - Wednesday 25.6.25.

The first race is at 4.00pm

The cost is £5 per entrant.

The registration deadline is Friday 13th June 2025

Children must be supervised by an appointed adult who will be responsible for them - children cannot come along alone.

ADVANCE WARNING !!!!

Eye protection is required (swimming goggles, sunglasses, etc.)

The dye is designed to wash out of clothing, however, there is a risk that it will stain. Please be prepared for your clothing and trainers TO GET RUINED !!!!!

Please make payment online before registration closes

We have never had an event like this before at St Philomena's and look forward to sharing the afternoon with you.

## Gunge A Teacher

Would your child like the opportunity to gunge one of the teachers / adults at St Philomena's ?



Day

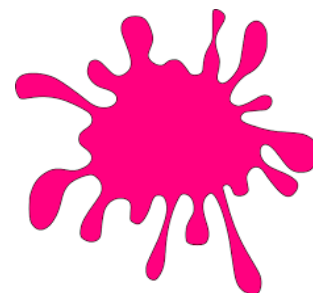
A select number of children will be chosen at random to do this at the Colour Run Family Event on Wednesday 25th June 2025 after Sports

To be in with a chance, please purchase a raffle ticket (£1 for a strip of 5).

Winners will be drawn on the day !!!

Tickets on sale until Friday 20th June 2025

Thank you for your support





## Movie Night

Y3 will be hosting a Minecraft Movie Night to raise funds towards the cost of coach travel for upcoming school trips. We hope you can join us!

Thank you!



Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Veronica Maher  
Head Teacher



## ACADEMIC YEARS 2024 - 2025

### Summer Term 2025:

<b>Bank Holiday</b>	<b>Monday 5th May 2025</b>
Half-term	26.05.25 – 30.05.2025
Last day of term	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025

### INSET DAYS

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup>, Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025**

## ACADEMIC YEARS 2025 - 2026

### Autumn Term 2025:

<b>INSET DAYS:</b>	<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025</b>
First day back: 2025	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
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
<b>Bank Holiday</b>	<b>Monday 4th May 2026</b>
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
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026</b>