



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 05/06/2026

Summer Term

A warm welcome back to school following an even warmer half term break ! Phew !

I do hope you all managed to enjoy the sunshine with family and friends.

First Holy Communion

The following children will be receiving the Blessed Eucharist for the first time this weekend.

Kaosi, Maks, Killie, Divine, Antonio, Theo L, Aiden, Ethan M, Muna, Peter, Freddie and Amiyah. This is a wonderful celebration and a significant event in the faith journey of these children. Please do keep them all in your prayers.

We also include Amelia and Tymon who recently travelled to Poland to make their First Holy Communion.



Year 6 Visit to the Bank of England Museum

On Tuesday, Year 6 visited the Bank of England Museum as part of our financial education learning. The trip gave the children a great chance to build on their understanding of the role money plays in everyday life and to explore key ideas linked to economics and personal finance.

During the visit, pupils learnt a lot about trading, inflation and interest rates, as well as the wider responsibilities of the Bank of England.

One of the highlights of the day was the chance to lift a real gold bar, which was a memorable experience for everyone involved! Pupils were also shown how to identify counterfeit bank notes, helping them to spot security features and understand the importance of checking currency carefully. It was an enjoyable and highly informative trip.

Easy Fundraising

Message from Mrs Miller – PTA

We've raised **£0.68** in the last 30 days through #easyfundraising, and you can help us raise more.

Please join us today and help St Philomena's PTA Orpington collect free donations with every shop, at no extra cost to you. Your online shopping won't cost you any extra.

Please sign up today and we could win a £200 donation:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/st-philomenas-pta/4i02kb/ca/BzooovuG//share>



Please join the meeting, using the link below:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82176901617?pwd=1kXgHdJWRaNAO4MMTPvBc78epS51BQ.1>

ID: 821 7690 1617

Passcode: 94EAer

School Uniform

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

Colour Run and Sliming of Miss Maher

This event on the 22nd May was so well attended and enjoyed ! The children (and lots of parents) were thrilled to be covered in lots of coloured paint and soaked with the hose. I also think the children really relished winning an opportunity to cover me with green slime ! Thank you so much to Mrs Miller for planning and organising and to all those who assisted. The event raised £ 165.00 !

Sports Day - Wed 24.6.26

Back up Sports Day - Wed 9.7.26

KS1 9.30-11.15pm

KS2 1.15pm -3.05pm

PTA Summer Fair - after sports day

School Class photos - Thursday 18.6.26

Attendance and Lateness for the week beginning 18th May 2026:

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	97	3
Year 1	99	1
Year 2	100	0
Year 3	95	1
Year 4	93	0
Year 5	99	3
Year 6	91	2

Well done Year 2 – you are the winners this week! Stickers were given out to the children in assembly yesterday.

League Table

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

Weeks in competition: 28
(Full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 96.3%



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

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss V Maher

Headteacher

