



St. Philomena's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Miss V Maher

Newsletter – 13 October 2023 Autumn Term

Football Match

Last night our girls' team played their first match against St Nicholas'. The final score was 4-0 to us but we were so proud of how well they all played and how they are developing as a team.

Meetings with Teachers

It was great to see all of you this week when you came to catch up with the teachers on your child's progress and identify ways in which we can work together to support them. Members of our Governing Body enjoyed chatting with many of you and have some valuable feedback to share with us.

Questionnaire

With feedback in mind, we have put together a short questionnaire for you to complete. Again your feedback is very important and we are always keen to find out what we are doing well and ways in which we can improve !

You can access the questionnaire by following this link. (All responses are anonymous unless you wish to share your details in the comments box at the end of the form.) The questionnaire will be available until Friday 20th October 2023 and we will share the outcomes with you once analysed.

<https://forms.gle/sPoRa4XL7SZiNor37>

Quiz Night

Thank you to Mrs Miller and Mrs Anderson for a great quiz night -a great evening ! We had so many families join us and it was super fun.

Steel Pan Workshop

Steel Pan Workshop on the 10th November, Year 3 and Year 6 assemblies will be changing to the following:

Year 3 was Friday 17th November - now changing to Thursday 16th November
Year 6 was Friday 10th November - now changing to Friday 17th November

School Fund Contribution



We ask that each family contributes to a fund which helps to subsidise outings, cover the cost of cooking ingredients and pay for various other items needed to provide enrichment activities for your child. Enrichment of the curriculum is a strength here and your family contribution to the school fund will be put to very good use. The recommended amount is **£5 per family per term**, and this can be paid online (under products, online shop). Your contributions are very much appreciated.

Class Assembly Dates

KS1 Nativity Friday 8 December
(Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)
Year 3 Thursday 16 November
Year 4 Friday 1 December
Year 5 Friday 24 November
Year 6 Friday 17 November

Orpington Library

Half term events at Orpington Library. All events need to be booked via Eventbrite – please click on link: <https://orpingtonlibrary.eventbrite.co.uk>

Attendance Race 2023- 2024

**Attendance and Lateness for the week
beginning 2ND October 2023 :**

Class	Attendance (%)	Lates (occasions)
Reception	96	3
Year 1	99	1
Year 2	100	100
Year 3	96	1
Year 4	99	1
Year 5	98	0
Year 6	96	0

Year 2 have won again this week - every child was in every day and on time - Well done !

League Table

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

Weeks in competition: 4 (full weeks only)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK 98.4%

TERM DATES

ACADEMIC YEARS 2023 - 2024

Autumn Term 2023:

Half-term 16.10.23 –27.10.23
Last day of term Wednesday 20th December 2023

Spring Term 2024:

INSET DAY Wednesday 3rd January 2024

First day of term Thursday 4th January 2024
Half-term 12.02.24 – 16.02.24
Last day of term Thursday 28th March 2024

Summer Term 2024:

First day of term Monday 15th April 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024

Half-term 27.05.24 – 31.05.2024

Last day of term Friday 19th July 2024

INSET DAYS Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th July 2024

Important Dates

Whole School Mass – Our Lady of the Cray
Wednesday 1 November

Reception Mass – Our Lady of the Cray
Thursday 23 November

Remembrance Assembly – School Hall
Thursday 9 November

Harvest Festival Event
Tuesday 10 October

Carol Concert – Our Lady of the Cray
Monday 18 December

Wishing you a wonderful half term break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER.

Miss Veronica Maher

