



Half-Termly Update

The children continue to work hard and as always we are very impressed with their commitment to learning and wonderful manners!

Good attendance = good learning

To achieve a badge this term:



- Gold badge = 100%** 0 days absence
- Silver badge = 99.3%** ½ day absence
- Silver badge = 98.5%** 1 day absence
- Bronze badge = 97.8%** 1½ days absence
- Bronze badge = 97%** 2 days absence
- Bronze badge = 96.3%** 2½ days absence

Our attendance for the whole year was 94 %

We continue not to authorise holidays in term time as this impacts on your children's learning. It is important that children are in school every day so that they do not miss out on learning opportunities.

Lateness

If children are late for school, they are missing (on average) one hour of learning per week and this does have an impact on their education. Learning starts at 8.45 - please try to get here on time!

KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP...

We were sorry to say **goodbye to Rita**, who left us earlier in the year and retired in March. We thank her for her dedication to St Philip's and wish her a long and happy retirement.

We are pleased to welcome Lyndsey, our new Cook, to the lunchtime team.

We have 2 new teaching assistants to welcome to our team, Mrs Kaur and Ms Heaney.



Our safeguarding team are on hand to support you and your child. You can contact them through the school office **0161 921 1860**. Our safeguarding team are **Mr Steadman, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Morris and Ms Jackson**. We also have two members of staff who are mental health first aiders – **Mr Davies and Mr Steadman**. They are on hand to work with our children if they need to talk.

Upcoming Events

We will be sending out dates for events each term. Reminders will be sent by text.



School meals: don't forget to add ordering lunches to your summer 'to do' list!

Summer Fair

Our Summer Fair was a great success and we would like to thank you all for your support. The rain did not prevent us from raising an impressive £568.00. Well done to everyone involved.

Summer Performance 2023



This term was amazing for the Year 6 children, as we have been going on fun trips and we have done lots of fun activities in school. We went to Formby beach for a whole day, had swimming lessons every week for 3 weeks and lots more. The activity that was the most fun was the leavers' play. Every Y6 pupil gets to do it and it's a really nice time for us. When we perform it, the parents get to watch the children perform. Everyone gets into their costumes and just has fun. It's a good time for everyone.

Yours Faithfully,
Azra (**Head Girl**)

Message to Year 6:

You have been a wonderful Year 6! You have worked hard and made the most of every learning opportunities. Each and every one of you approached SATs with commitment and resilience. Your end of year performances were full of fun, laughter and enthusiasm. You have made us all smile this year. We are all very proud of you and wish you well in your next adventure! We will miss you – please stay in touch.

Year 2

Year 2 worked alongside Bridgewater to design and make a healthy sandwich. The children tried new food and learnt many new skills such as: hygiene, knife skills, grating and chopping. Here are some of the children enjoying their wonderful efforts.



Meet the Teacher Afternoon

Thank you to all the parents/carers who joined us for the meet the teacher afternoon. The staff are looking forward to welcoming your children to their classes in September.

Year 4



Year 4 have had a very busy year this year and have enjoyed a number of different experiences outside the classroom and within. They have challenged themselves in all aspects of their development from continuing their learning of times tables to the social and emotional aspects of life and have all come through to the other side as more rounded individuals for which I am very proud of them all. I think a highlight for us all, one to not forget, was filming with Blue Peter and creating our living wall to support the environment, which is growing on our playground. What an opportunity to be part of something that will not only benefit us in the present but also benefit the students and families of the future. What better gift to give than the gift of life and all that nature has to offer?

Mr Davies – Year 4 Teacher

Headteacher's Message

I would like to thank all of our families for your continued support this year. I feel very privileged to be the new Headteacher at St Philip's. We have had so many exciting opportunities this year and we have achieved so much in so many ways. I am looking forward to the new adventures beginning in September. I wish the best of luck to Year 6 and to any families who are leaving us this term. I hope that everyone has a lovely summer break.

Best wishes from Ms Jackson

**SCHOOL FINISHES FOR SUMMER ON Thursday 20th July at 3.15 p.m.
AND RE-OPENS ON Tuesday 5th September at 8.40 a.m.**

Have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer!

School Uniform

You can now order your new uniform online ready for September

www.myclothing.com

New lines have now been added, including a Fleece, Waterproof Coat, Caps and Water Bottles.

Pre-loved uniform is available at the main Reception.