St Philip's C of E Primary School
16th October 2026

Dates for your Diary.

Every Friday- Year 4 swimming

Half term - Mon 26th - Fri 30th Oct

School is also closed Monday 2nd November

Tuesday 3rd November – all children back to school

Weds 4th November- Year 5 visit to Liverpool Anglican cathedral and the Metropolitan cathedral

Weds 4th November- Bonfire bingo- 5 -6 pm tickets for sale online (only 5 family tickets left)

Interfaith week-Week beg 9th Nov (see attached information sheet)

Thurs 12th Nov- Child- led worship in class- Group 2



As part of Show Racism, the Red Card work, our children reflected on the importance of respect, kindness and standing up for others. These are values that fit beautifully with our Christian ethos and our belief that everyone is special and valued.
Some things our children said… "We are all different, but that's a good thing. Everyone should feel welcome in our school."
"Everyone deserves to be treated with kindness and respect, no matter who they are."
"It doesn't matter what someone looks like or where they come from. Everyone should be treated the same and included."

Buddy Assembly





Thank you so much to everyone who came to see our wonderful Buddies in action. It was a joy to see the love and care that our Year 6 children have poured into this very special role.

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National Year of reading

The celebrations continue in our town with the Books Alive Festival in the Town Centre. It will definitely be worth a visit over half term. See below for details

Once Upon A Town...

Step inside a world of imagination and adventure this half term as Southport is taken over by a living storybook.

Books Alive! is bringing a world of storytelling, creativity and fun to Southport on 24-31 October.

With a magical 'The Jolly Postman' Trail taking over the town centre, a packed 'Festival of Stories' at The Atkinson and Southport Library, and a town-wide Fringe Festival filled with book-themed events and activities, this totally free festival brings children's stories to life in exciting new ways.

WhatsApp – a request for parents' support from Mrs Edward

I am seeing a number of friendship issues beginning on WhatsApp at home and then coming into school the following morning.

Primary-aged children are still developing the emotional maturity to manage group chats, disagreements and messages sent without thinking. **What starts as a small issue can quickly become something much bigger overnight and lead to a lot of upset.**

Please monitor your child's messaging carefully, use parental controls if you are going to allow your child to use it, and encourage them to **stop, think and step away** when conversations become difficult. If a message upsets them, encourage them to show you so that it can be dealt with at home before escalating. Please remember that WhatsApp has an age rating of 13+, meaning that most primary-aged children are below the age for which the standard service is intended.

I will always act when something affects a child's safety or wellbeing, but time spent on WhatsApp fall outs is not a good use of time**. Typically, the children come into school upset and not in a good place for learning and by lunchtime after a chat with me and a morning in school most children are friends again. Please could you do all you can to** help our children navigate the online world safely and kindly. Thank you.

Celebrations this week…

	You've been Spotted		Behaviour award	Star of the week	Math' Magician	Handwriting and presentation award
	Name	Christian Value				
R	Harlow	Friendship	Ellie	Sebastian	Theo	Edward
1	George S	Friendship	Jasmine	Braven	Tobias	Ayaaz
2	Dayana	Friendship	Grace	Gabriel	Luca	Elle
3	River	Perseverance	Leo M	Olivia B	Louie F	Naduli
4	Kourtney	Perseverance	David	Sophia	Cassie	Thuwaraka
5	Sasha	Kindness	Esme	Charlotte	Brody	Ophelia
6	Yazmin	Kindness	Charlotte L	Nelly	Richie	Charlie

This week's attendance winners are: Year 3 – Well done!

Reception – 97.9%
Year One – 97.2%
Year Two – 94.7%
Year Three – 100%
Year Four – 99.3%
Year Five – 99.3%
Year Six – 97.8%

This week we have sent attendance letters to all of our Attendance Superstars to say thank you to our wonderful children for coming to school smiling and ready to learn every day.

Children need to be in school to learn and the commitment of our families to this is exceptional. It's been a wonderful half term.

Thank you to every member of our school family especially to our hardworking staff team who fill every day with learning, kindness, high expectations and lots of fun and laughter.

Parents evening questiionairres were a joy to read but as always if there is anything at all that you would like to discuss or anything you feel we could or should do differently pleae ask.

Over half term if anyone requires any additional family support or is worried about a child you can call

FAST – Family Support 0151 934 4545
CHAT – Children's Help and Advice Team 0151 934 4013