



## Religious Education

Following our Easter break, children in Early Years to Year 3 will be exploring the topic 'To the ends of the Earth', whilst Year 4 – Year 6 will be exploring Pentecost.

For more information, please see our RE Newsletters, the school website and Seesaw/ Class Dojo.

## No Smart watches

We ask that children DO NOT wear SMART watches in school. Please ensure your child only wears an analogue watch. This will help them learn how to read them which is a National Curriculum Maths target. A 'Fitbit' or similar gadget that counts steps and tracks health data only is fine. Any smart watches that are able to send or receive calls/ messages, or take photographs is a safeguarding risk. Children have a right not to have their photos taken, and these watches potentially threaten each child's right to confidentiality. GDPR regulations also would not permit use of these devices by children on site.

Any child with a Smart watch will be asked to remove it, it will then be returned to you as parents.



## Happy Easter

We would like to wish all our wonderful families and local community a Happy Easter! May the light of Christ's resurrection shine brightly upon you and your loved ones.

Remember, school closes from Easter on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 1.15pm. School will reopen for pupils on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 8.40am (8.00am for Breakfast Club).

## Staffing

A message from Mrs Radford:

The time has come for me to close my laptop forever. I have decided to retire this summer after 10 happy years at St Philly's; I was only support to be here for 2! Thank you for your support and I hope you know that we have always put your children first. I will miss so much about OLASP, most of all our adorable children; but it's time for me to go! Mr Long will be the Head Teacher from September 2025, so you are in good hands. Best wishes, Mrs R x

We are also saying goodbye to Miss Beacon, who is leaving us at the end of the spring term to take up a new teaching position at another school. We would like to express our gratitude for her hard work and commitment to the children's learning. We know the children have benefited greatly from her teaching. We wish her all the very best in her future endeavours.



## OPAL

Our OPAL lunchtimes continue to develop; children now have the option to engage in sports, construction, role-play, imaginative and turn-taking play, to name just a few.

To ensure play time is as fun as possible for our children, we ask all our children to follow our Play Charter. Please take the time to read and reinforce this at home.

## Dates for the diary:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	9.00am	Year 2 Parent Breakfast Morning
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00am	Year 2 Assembly (Stations of the Cross)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Nursery: 11am Reception – Year 6: 2.30pm	Stay & Pray 'Easter Crafts'
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	PM	Prayer Lantern Trail
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	1.15pm	School Closure for Easter Break
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	8.40am	School re-opens for pupils'
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	AM	Year 3/4 Athletics Trip