





School Newsletter No 2 Autumn Term 1 20th September 2019

Headteacher Mrs J O'Keeffe Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to this weeks newsletter. I have been delighted at how well the children have settled into their new classes The atmosphere around the school is wonderful, the children seem happy and are keen to share their news with me when I see them around the school.

The weather has been so mild that the children have been making good use of the new playground equipment in KS1. The children really enjoy playing on it and it is a delight to see them having so much fun. A new plaque has been put up to identify the piece of equipment that the Friends (PTA) made a donation to. Many thanks from all of the staff and children.

Thank you for your continued support.

God Bless you all.



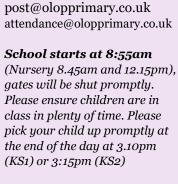
Mrs JR O'Keeffe

Come to the Book Fair

Please come to our book fair and help earn **FREE BOOKS** for our school. The book fair will be held in the KS2 playground from **3.15-3.45pm** on the **23rd to 30th September 2019.** Thank you in advance.







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Children should not be on the school grounds before 8:30am under any circumstances.
The school does not take responsibility for children who are on the school grounds before 8:3am.

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School has a commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.





Attendance

This term we are promoting good attendance. Attendance has such an enormous effect on learning, and being punctual is an important life skill.

We work hard to ensure that we do the very best for all our children so please help us by ensuring your child is on time and attending regularly. Thank you.



School Website

The school website is kept regularly updated and contains a whole variety of information about the school, so please do have a look and see if the information you need is on the website before phoning the office, this will ease the pressure on the office as it can be extremely busy. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Reminder: Start of the School Day



Please be reminded that school starts at 8:55am and the main doors including Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classroom doors will be closed promptly at this time. Assemblies take place in both halls and start promptly at 9am. The children are required to walk across the playgrounds in each key stage and it is therefore of paramount importance that the doors are closed to ensure the safety of all of our children. The sites therefore need to be clear before 9.00am.

As you are aware the main doors are open from 8.45am - 8.55am. If you arrive at school after 8:55am please report to Main Reception on the Key Stage 2 site. Thank you for your co - operation.

Reminder: Relationship with neighbouring community

Our relationship with our neighbours is very important to us. Please can you ensure that you park safely and with care ensuring that your child is reminded of the importance of Road Safety. We would also be grateful if any litter can be disposed of in the bins provided to ensure we keep our school environment as beautiful as ever!

Reminder: Macmillan Coffee Morning

Please join us on Friday 27th September as we join in with one of the worlds biggest coffee morning. We would be grateful of any donations of cakes or biscuits in support of this worthy cause. Please drop in any donations to Main Reception. Thank you in advance. Please do attend and bring your friends and family along.



Positive of the Week

Positive feedback from parents who have visited secondary school over the last few weeks. It has been lovely to see how ex OLOP pupils have flourished into polite, pleasant young adults!

We welcome your positive commentThank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- **⇒ Church Bulletin**
- ⇒ Our Catholic Schools' Week
- ⇒ Lego Animation from Cippenham Library
- ⇒ Year 6 Slough & Eton Invite Letter
- ⇒ Attendance Newsletter—September Edition



"By this I know that You favour and delight in me, because my enemy does not triumph over me. And as for me, You have upheld me in my integrity and set me in Your presence forever".

Psalm 41:11 - 12

KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Ava W	For working tremendously hard in the classroom this week.
3JOK St Peter	Maya E	For contributing well to classroom discussions and for being an excellent role model.
3CK St John Bosco	Alexander R	For listening carefully, working hard and always ready to answer questions.
4RS St Columba	Siddarth C	For being an excellent role model, always working hard, polite and well mannered.
4RL St Blaise	Amelia P	For consistent excellent behaviour and a positive attitude to learning.
4OS St Paul	Harrison D	For consistently working hard in class and being a good role model for the other pupils in the class.
5JR St Maximilian	Anisha N	For setting an excellent example to her classmates and being a polite and respectful to staff and her peers.
5KD St Ethelbert	Teegan D	For always being ready to learn and follow instruction.
5SS St Dunstan	Julian B	For always being ready to work and trying his best in all lessons.
6RG St Joseph	Giselle G	For an outstanding contribution to English lessons, by showing an excellent understanding of key vocabulary.
6SP St Brigid	Lucas S	For always participating in class discussion and showing a whole hearted approach in all he does.
6TH St Cuthbert	Declan E	For setting a good example to others through his hard work, enthusiasm and politeness.

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

1KB St Francis	Zeena G	For her positive attitude to learning.
1EH St Bernadette	Jake K	For his excellent independent work in maths this week.
1MB St Jude	Maria C	For scoring 8/8 in her first ever spelling test!
2HL St Christopher	Chloe G	For always being a kind, helpful and polite member of the class.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Rosa D	Producing some very imaginative writing, and setting an excellent example of behaviour.
2SS St Mary-Magdalene	Karin J	of you keeping all of the Golden Rules this week, and your super work in Maths.

Well done to you all!

Local Parishes Mass Times

Holy Redeemer Parish	Wexham Road, Slough,	Sunday – 9am and 11am
Holy Family Catholic Parish	226 Trelawney Avenue, Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD	Saturday – 5:30pm Sunday – 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm
Our Lady of Peace The Presbytery	Lower Britwell Road, Slough, SL2 2NL	Saturday – 6pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday – 9:45am
St Andrew's Shared Church	Washington Drive, Slough, SL1 5RE	Sunday – 11.30am
St Anthony's RC Church	Farnham Road, Slough, SL2 3AE	Saturday – 6pm Sunday – 10:30am
St Ethelbert's Catholic Church	Wellington Street, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 1XU	Saturday – 9.30am Sunday – 9am, 11am and 6:30pm

Useful Dates for Your Diary—2019



26/09/19	Legoland Workshop Year One children
27/09/19	Macmillan Coffee Morning in KS1, please enter via the hall door. 8:45am to 9:45am
01/10/19	St Teresa Feast Day
04/10/19	St Francis Feast Day
04/10/19	Year 6TH St Cuthbert's Class Assembly at 2:45pm
10/10/19	KS1 Opening Mass at 10:45am—All parents welcome
11/10/19	Year 3MP St Clare and Year 2SS St Mary Magdalene Class Assemblies at 2:45pm
17/10/19	KS2 Opening Mass at 10:45am—All parents welcome
23/10/19	School Nurses Flu Vaccination—Reception to Year 6
24/10/19	End of Term
25/10/19	INSET DAY
28/10/19	St Jude Feast Day
28/10/19	Half Term
04/11/19	Start of New Term
04/11/19 to 07/11/19	Year 6 Bikeability
04/11/19	Pupil Individual Photographs

Attendance of the Week—(16th September—20th September 2019)



Year band	Percentage
Nursery	93.2%
Reception	95.1%
Year 1	98.9%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3	97.0%
Year 4	98.9%
Year 5	98.8%
Year 6	96.8%



Well Done Year 1 & 4! Yearly Whole School—97.3%

KS1 Class of the Week is 1EH & 2HL

99.7%

KS2 Class of the Week is 5SS 100%

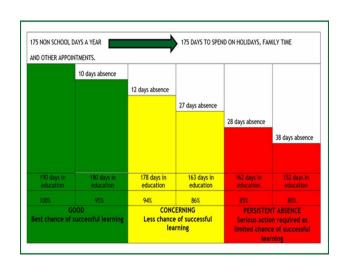
If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on attendance@olopprimary.co.uk or leave a telephone message selecting option 2. Thank you.

Holiday during Term Time

May we remind you that <u>NO</u> holiday will be authorised at any time during term time and 5 days of absence or more will incur a penalty notice (fine) from Slough Borough Council.

Any absences attached to a School holiday will need to be backed up with medical evidence, i.e. either an appointment card from the Doctor's surgery to say your child has been seen and please make sure this is dated for the day of absence or proof provided of any prescribed medication. This can be brought to the School Office on your child's return. Without this, your child's absence will be marked as unauthorised and again, if your child is away for 5 days or more (including either side of a School holiday), this could incur a penalty notice (fine) from Slough Borough Council.

Minutes late per day	Learning time lost in a year
5 minutes	3½ days
10 minutes	7 days
15 minutes	10 ½ days
20 minutes	14 days
30 minutes	21 days



The whole school attendance should be 95% or higher on a regular week. All children should aim for an attendance of 98-100% though as a school we do recognise that children may become unwell so will be absent from school.