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School starts at 8:55am
(Nursery 8.45am and 12.15pm),
gates will be shut promptly.
Please ensure children are in
class in plenty of time. Please
pick your child up promptly at
the end of the day at 3.10pm
(KS1) or 3:15pm (KS2)

Children **should not** be on the
school grounds before 8:30am
under any circumstances.
The school does not take re-
sponsibility for children who
are on the school grounds be-
fore 8:30am.

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



Whole School Mass
Friday 25th May 2018

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School 'With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'

Headteacher's Message



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. This week we have been busy with parents evenings on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. I hope you were pleased with the information you received and that your children are all studying well. Thank you to all the parents who completed our questionnaire, your views are very important to us. Today Year 2 had their school trip to Windsor Castle, they were a credit to the school, more information to follow in next weeks newsletter.

Thank you for your continued support.

God Bless.

Reminder to parents of children starting Reception September 2019

Online applications for children who are starting Reception in September 2019 opened on the **Saturday 1st September 2018** and will close on **Tuesday 15th January 2019**. Thank you.

Friends of OLOP Santa's Grotto and Stalls

Santa Claus is coming to town and will be setting up his grotto in Hagrid's Hut in the KS2 Playground at Our Lady of Peace Primary from 3:30-5:30pm on Friday 7th December 2018.

He is a very busy man so spaces are limited so pre-book your tickets to avoid disappointment. Tickets are priced at £2:50 per child and include a visit to Santa's grotto and a gift. The tickets can be bought from the main office.

There will also be a selection of stalls to enjoy at the event including a bottle tombola and cake sale. All money raised will go towards buying interactive whiteboards to help enhance the children's learning.

Friends of OLOP is a newly formed group hoping to raise money for the school. If anyone can volunteer their time or ideas please email friends@olopprimary.co.uk

Miss Kelly

We are delighted to welcome back Miss Kelly next week. She is returning from maternity leave on a part time basis to cover teacher's statutory non-contact time on Tuesday and Wednesday. I am sure you will join us in welcoming Miss Kelly back to OLOP.

Reminder: Student absence from school

Please remember it is the parents/carers responsibility to contact the school by 8.30am if your child is going to be absent. Please call the school office or email attendance@olopprimary.co.uk **(Please do not use post@olopprimary.co.uk)**. On your child's return to school they must bring an absent note to go into their file.

Reminder: School Photographs

The school photographer will be coming into school on the morning of Thursday 22nd November to do an additional session for all the children who were not in school on Monday 29th October when the original photographs were taken.

May we also ask that all photograph proofs are brought into Main Reception by Monday 19th November. Thank you.

Celebration of Remembrance Sunday

All children and staff wrote their names on a thank you card as a sign of thanks and respect. The cards were then tied with a red ribbon onto a red net which were displayed in KS1 and KS2 halls. Lets continue to pray for world peace.



Reminder: Welly Throwing Competition



Our next annual Welly Throwing Competition is on Friday 23rd November. This is where the children show off their skills as to how far they can throw a welly. A letter and sponsor sheet has already been sent out. If every child was to collect at least £10 sponsor money, the school would raise £6,500! It would be absolutely amazing if we could reach this goal. We are in need of wellington boots if you have any spare!

All monies raised will go to the Spelling Shed programme. The Spelling Shed helps children to practice spelling via a simple game. The game gives four different degrees of support in the form of difficulty modes; Easy, Medium, Hard and Extreme.

Higher levels allow a higher score to be achieved but children can practice as much as they like on lower levels before trying to gain high scores. Thank you for your support.

Reminder: PGL

Just a gentle reminder that the Year 6 PGL trip instalment for November is now due.

Reminder: Parent Helpers school library

Do you have some spare time on your hands? Would you be interested in helping to run the school library? If you have answered yes to any of these questions and would be interested in helping to run the school library, please contact Main Reception. Training will be provided. Thank you.

Reminder: Nursery

There is a new parent information board outside the Nursery gate on the wall. (By the OLOP sign) We would be grateful if nursery parents would look at this daily.

If your child has been given spare clothes from the nursery we would be grateful if you would kindly return them to nursery as soon as possible. Thank you.

Reminder: Toys Needed

The EYFS team are looking for toys and would really appreciate it if anyone has any of the following to donate to the school. Dolls and dolls clothes, brio train sets, cars and small world toys such as space, farm, zoo etc. If you have any items to donate we would be grateful if you could bring to the Main reception area. Thank you.

Reminder: Lions Club of Burnham—Christmas Fayre

This year Our Lady of Peace will be taking part at the Christmas Fayre in Burnham High Street, the school will have a stall, so please do come and find us. This year there will also be a Children's Parade and the theme is Prince and Princess, if your child would like to take part in the parade on the evening of Thursday 6th December, parents would need to accompany their child at all times. Please see more information on attached leaflet.

Reminder: Parking

Our relationship with our neighbours is very important. There has been occasions this week where parents cars have blocked drives and parked in allocated bays. Please be mindful of your parking arrangements. We have been in contact with the traffic police who will be patrolling the area.

Year 1 History

As part of the year one History topic "Changes within living memory", the children had a special visitor come to school to talk to them about his childhood. Mr Devereux (senior) brought with him various objects from his childhood, including the pot his mum used to cook the food in, his wooden clogs that he wore as a child, the lantern his family had in the living room to provide light in the evenings and also the pen he used at school. He spoke to the children about how his family had a horse and cart rather than a car and how he had to walk 2 miles to the local school and 2 miles home again every day. He showed the children an example of the food he had for lunch every day and they were shocked to discover that he didn't have pudding! The year one team would like to say thank you to Mr Devereux for his very interesting talk.



Mufti Day - bring a bottle

On Friday 23rd November we are holding a non-uniform day and are asking parents to donate a bottle.

Suggestions of bottles include anything from lemonade, wine and prosecco to sauces, shampoo, bubble bath and nail varnish. We would welcome any bottle which we can use for our bottle tombola on Friday 7th December.

Members from Friends of OLOP will be standing near the front gates on the 23rd with trolleys for you to drop off your bottles before dropping off your child.

Thank you for your support

Homework Booklets

Homework booklets can be found on the school website at www.olopprimary.co.uk, **Our Curriculum, Homework**. Thank you.

Purse

Has anyone lost a purse containing a set of earrings? Please contact Main Reception for details. Thank you.

Reminder: Breakfast Club Staff Vacancies

We have vacancies for staff at the Breakfast Club. If you are interested in applying, please phone the business Office for further details. Please be aware there is no automatic entitlement for a child to go into the club as we are fully subscribed. Thank you.

Cleaner Vacancy

Please see attached Cleaner Advert. Thank you.

Positive of the Week

We are very lucky to have Mrs X as our child's class teacher, very supportive and encouraging.

We welcome your positive commentThank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- ⇒ **Church Bulletin**
- ⇒ **Cleaning Vacancy Advert**
- ⇒ **Lions Club of Burnham Leaflet**



*“Clap your hands, all you
nations; shout to God with
cries of joy.”*

Psalm: 47:1



KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Samuel G	For working exceptionally hard this week, particularly in maths and for being a pleasure to teach.
3RB St Peter	Faizan I	For making significant improvements in English and Maths this term.
3CK St John Bosco	Tegan M	For growing in confidence and making a great effort to do her best.
4RS St Columba	Erykah M	For always working very hard in all that she does and for producing work which is at a high standard.
4BS St Blaise	Natasza K	For having a good attitude to learning, completing work well to the best of her ability.
4KS St Paul	Kaamil Z	For being an excellent role model displaying good behaviour and quality of work.
5RR St Maximilian	Kaya T	For her hard work and perseverance and for always presenting her work neatly.
5KD St Ethelbert	Jeevan K	For your success in sports outside of school and for using the determination and discipline you have learnt in your training, to improve your work in lessons.
5SS St Dunstan	Oliver V	For working hard in class to improve his writing and presentation.
6TH St Joseph	Bianka S	For her hard work and enthusiasm and for consistently producing work of an extremely high standard.
6SP St Brigid	Louie M	For always showing an enthusiasm and willingness to learn, both inside and outside of the classroom.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Dishita T	For settling in so well and for contributing well to class discussion.

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

1EH St Bernadette	Darcey W	For having the confidence to try new things and work independently.
1OS St Jude	Keelin C	For being very positive in his attitude to learning in maths.
1MB St Teresa	Kiera H	For making great improvements in Maths and English.
2CW St Christopher	Shiza J	For growing in confidence and contributing her ideas in class.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Sen R	For always being ready to learn and demonstrating an excellent example of good behaviour to others.
2RS St Mary-Magdalene	Isabelle A	For excellent classwork and being a role model to others.

Well done to you all!

Local Parishes Mass Times

Holy Redeemer Parish	Wexham Road, Slough, West Berkshire, SL2 5QR	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—2018



20/11/18	Year 6 St Cuthbert's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
21/11/18	Maths Information Evening for Years 3 & 4 at 6pm in KS2 Hall
22/11/18	Year 3 Fire Service Visit
23/11/18	Year 6 St Joseph's and Year 2 St Thomas-Moore Class Assemblies at 2.30pm
27/11/18	Year 5 St Maximillian to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
30/11/18	Year 4 St Columba's Class Assembly at 2.30pm in KS2 Hall

Attendance of the Week—(12th November —16th November 2018)



<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	85.2%
Reception	95.4%
Year 1	96.3%
Year 2	96.4%
Year 3	97.4%
Year 4	94.0%
Year 5	95.9%
Year 6	93.0%



Well Done Year 3!

Whole School 95%

KS1 Class of the Week is 2KS

98.6%

KS2 Class of the Week is 3MP

99.3%

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.

Attendance Information

Children with poor attendance may fall behind with school work and will attract the attention of the Attendance Officer. Pupils with 90% or below attendance will be brought to the attention of the Attendance Officer and put on the monitoring list. Once on the monitoring list, any absence will require an appointment card or letter from the child's doctor confirming their illness, before an authorised mark is granted. In extreme cases parents can face prosecution and substantial fines for failing to ensure that their child(ren) attends school.

Please note if your child gets an unauthorised late mark this will affect their overall attendance. All children should be in class by 8.55.am. Lateness is detrimental to your child's learning as they miss the vital part of the lesson.

Please can we remind you that all holiday taken during term time will not be authorised. All medical appointments will need to be verified with an appointment letter/text or email. If the school does not receive this all leave will be unauthorised.

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.