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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. I think the children and staff are ready for this well deserved break. It has been a very busy term. This week we have held a Maths information evening for parents of Years 5 & 6. On Thursday we held the KS2 Opening Mass which was just as special as the KS1 Opening Mass last week. May I take this opportunity to wish you a very happy and restful half term.

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.

### Reminder to parents of children starting Secondary School September 2019

Online applications for children who are starting Secondary school in September 2019 opened on the **Saturday 1st September 2018** and will close on **Wednesday 31st October 2018**. Thank you.

### Education Sunday

On Sunday 14th October 2018 we invited all families to the 9.45am Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church to celebrate and give thanks for the Education they receive. The children read and sang beautifully. Please find attached to this newsletter a presentation which was played in church on the altar as the children sang. The presentation can also be found on our website at [www.olopprimary.co.uk](http://www.olopprimary.co.uk), **About us, Catholic life of the school, Education Week 2018.**

### Reminder: Fraiser Portraits

Fraiser Portraits will be coming into school on Monday 29th October, please see attached flyer.

### Reminder: The Eve of All Saints Day—Night of Life!

The Night of Light is an international initiative to *reclaim Hallowe'en for the church*. It is running in many, many countries in the world from England to India, from Africa to New Zealand and Hungary to the United States, with uncountable numbers of people involved.



What immediately comes to mind when you think of Hallowe'en? Probably, like most people, it is the images of witches and ghosts and so on, which belong to the dark world of the occult and magic - images of darkness and death.

In fact Halloween ('All Hallows Eve'), the evening of the 31st October, is the vigil (beginning) of the feast of All Saints - the feast in which we celebrate the glory of God in His saints. The victory of light over darkness in the lives of God's holy ones in heaven. Jesus is the 'Light of the World'. The saints lived by that light, and became a beacon in their own generation.

**On Wednesday 31st October we will be celebrating the Eve of All Saints Day (Night of Life)!** Children could come into school as a saint for the day or wear white to represent the Light of Jesus. We ask each child to bring in a pound, all money received will go towards new religious artefacts for the prayer tables in each class. Thank you.

### Parents Consultation Evenings

The online booking system for Parents Consultation Meetings open at 9am Monday 29th October 2018. Please see below dates of meeting and dates of when the online booking closes:

**Monday 5th November 2018—EYFS/KS1/Years 3 & 4 - online booking closes Friday 2nd November at 12pm.**

**Tuesday 6th November 2018—2RS only and Years 5 & 6—online booking closes Friday 2nd November at 12pm.**

**Tuesday 13th November 2018—EYFS/KS1/Years 3 & 4—online booking closes Friday 9th November at 12pm.**

**Thursday 15th November 2018—2RS only and Years 5 & 6—online booking closes Friday 9th November at 12pm.**

Please note the parents of children in 2RS **only** have their consultation meetings on the same days as Years 5 & 6. Thank you.

### Watch

Has your child lost a watch? One has been found and handed into Reception on the KS1 site. Any enquiries please see a member of the team at the KS1 Reception Office. Thank you.

### KS2 Mass

Today KS2 celebrated an opening Mass led by Father Andy. The children sang beautifully. A fabulous celebration enjoyed by parents, staff and children. Thank you to all the parents and parishioners who attended.



# Governor of the Month

## Amy Day: Foundation Governor

This month we have had the first governor meetings of the academic year which has given us a chance to go over the positives from last year but to also see where we, as a whole school community, can improve and make things even better for our children.

As part of my role as Pupil Premium governor, I will be joining staff training this term which I am really looking forward to and which will hopefully help me to greatly develop my role at the school. There are great opportunities for further personal development within the role of governor, so I would really recommend it to anyone wanting to learn new things and get involved with the school.

I hope to visit the school after half term to see how new teaching projects are being implemented and the effect they have on the pupils learning.



### Trip List

Please find attached to this Newsletter trip list for all year groups. Thank you.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

If your child is in Year 3, and you wish your child to receive their First Holy Communion in May 2019 you will need to enrol them on the First Holy Communion programme. **THE FINAL DATE FOR ENROLMENTS WILL BE SUNDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**, any latecomers after the final date will have to wait until 2020. Please contact Yvonne in the office to arrange an appointment to enrol your child, telephone 01628 605764, email: [yvonnecaff@talktalk.net](mailto:yvonnecaff@talktalk.net) If your child was Baptised in another Parish, you will need to bring with you a copy of the child's Baptism certificate: if you cannot find it, you will need to contact the Parish where your child was Baptised and obtain it before the appointment. The First Holy Communion classes will begin in January 2019 and will be held at St Andrew's on Saturday mornings. Thank you.

### 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. Thank you.

### Positive of the Week

Thank you to all the staff who work so hard for our children's wellbeing and education.

**We welcome your positive comment .....Thank you!**

### Please find attached the following communications and information

- ⇒ Church Bulletin
- ⇒ Fraiser Portraits Flyer
- ⇒ Trip List



**“The Lord is compassionate  
and gracious, slow to anger,  
abounding in love.”**

***Psalm: 103:8***



# KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Annabel L	For working exceptionally hard throughout the week and producing outstanding writing in her 'Hot Task'.
3RB St Peter	Freddie C	For always striving to be successful in every lesson, especially Maths and English.
3CK St John Bosco	Levi S	For his improved contributions in discussions during Maths.
4RS St Columba	Erica M	For always trying her best and writing a very detailed non-chronological report.
4BS St Blaise	Max B	For good enthusiasm, willingness to learn and producing some fantastic work in all your lessons this week.
4KS St Paul	Jakub B	For settling in his new class very well, he has become a pleasant new addition to the class.
5RR St Maximilian	Olivia C	For writing an amazing innovated story set in an imaginary world.
5KD St Ethelbert	Marcel A	For amazing listening skills and always working really hard.
5SS St Dunstan	Jessica R	For always working hard, listening well in class and great maths work too.
6TH St Joseph	Iannah B	For working hard in every lesson, displaying a wonderful attitude to learning. She is also a kind and helpful member of our class.
6SP St Brigid	Olivia Z	For outstanding effort with her work this term and always with a smile.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Philip	For creating an incredible piece of work based on World War 2.

***Well done to you all!***

# KS1 Star of the Week

<b>1EH St Bernadette</b>	<b>Viktor R</b>	<b>For his amazing effort and enthusiasm towards his writing this week.</b>
<b>1OS St Jude</b>	<b>Arham A</b>	<b>For always trying hard in phonics and being an enthusiastic learner.</b>
<b>1MB St Teresa</b>	<b>The Whole Class</b>	<b>For working very hard and trying their best throughout this half term.</b>
<b>2CW St Christopher</b>	<b>Mollie H</b>	<b>For growing in confidence and beginning to share her ideas with others in class.</b>
<b>2KS St Thomas-Moore</b>	<b>Clayton C</b>	<b>For trying his best with his work.</b>
<b>2RS St Mary-Magdalene</b>	<b>Aapti V</b>	<b>For producing an excellent piece of writing this week.</b>

***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



19/10/18	INSET DAY—School Closed to Pupils
22/10/18 to 26/10/18	Half Term
29/10/18	Start of New Term
29/10/18	School Photographs
30/10/18	KS1 SATS Workshop at 9am in KS1 Hall
30/10/18	Reception Children to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
31/10/18	Maths Information Evening for Parents for children in Year 3 & 5 at 6pm in KS2 Hall
31/10/18	<b>We will be celebrating the Eve of All Saints Day (Night of Life)!</b> Children could come into school as a saint for the day or wear white to represent the Light of Jesus. We ask each child to bring in a pound, all money received will go towards new religious artefacts for the prayer tables in each class. Thank you.
1/11/18	<b>All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation</b>
2/11/18	<b>All Souls Day of Devotion</b>
2/11/18	<b>Year 4 St Columba Class Assembly</b>
5/11/18	<b>Parents Consultation Evening—EYFS, KS1 &amp; KS2 Lower (Years 3 &amp; 4) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm</b>
6/11/18	<b>Year 6 St Brigid to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am</b>
6/11/18	<b>Parents Consultation Evening—KS2 Upper Years 5 &amp; 6) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm</b>
7/11/18	<b>Year 1 Phonic &amp; Early Reading Workshop for parents at 9am - KS1 Hall</b>
9/11/18	<b>Year 5 St Dunstan and Year 1 St Jude Class Assemblies</b>

### Attendance of the Week—(15th October—18th October 2018)



<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	87%
Reception	96.5%
Year 1	93.3%
Year 2	94.0%
Year 3	98.0%
Year 4	96.6%
Year 5	97.0%
Year 6	94.1%



**Well Done Year 3!**  
**Whole School 95.2%**

**KS1 Class of the Week is RKB**  
**97%**

**KS2 Class of the Week is 3MP & 4BS**  
**100%**

**If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on [attendance@olopprimary.co.uk](mailto: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.*