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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 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.



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. The time is flying by so quickly, I cannot believe that tomorrow will be the first of December. The staff and children are all busy preparing for the festive season as I am sure you all are too. Today St Columba had their class assembly which was performed beautifully and enjoyed by all.

Thank you for your continued support.

God Bless.

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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.

Bikes and Scooters

May we ask that all children dismount their bikes and scooters when entering the school gates. This is inclusive of all children who attend Our Lady of Peace and small siblings. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Stalls

The Christmas Stalls will be held on **Friday 7th December from 3.30pm to 5.30pm**.

There will 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. The school choir will also be singing, this will hopefully get you into the festive spirit!

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 <u>friends@olopprimary.co.uk</u>

Reminder: Parents of children with Special Educational Needs

We will be holding our next SEN Parents Consultation Evening on **Monday 10th December at 3pm-5pm** - please keep this date free in your diaries.

Parents will be able to book a 10 minute slot with their child's class teacher. In this time, your child's Individual Provision Map (IPM) for this term will be reviewed, and their new Individual Provision Map will be discussed.

Please ensure you sign up using our online booking system. This booking system will be active from **Monday 3rd December at 8.30am**.

Reminder: Parents/Carers of Children in Year Reception to Year 5



GET YOUR FLU SHOT: If your child missed out on the nasal flu vaccination at school, please contact us on **01753 636759** to book an appointment to attend our clinic at one of the above locations. In addition, as the clinic is a promotional event, families are very welcome/invited to pop down on the day to find out more about the flu vaccine. Finally, families may also qualify for a safe and well visit form the fire service who will be there on the day to discuss this.

The Berkshire Immunisation Team are holding a catch up clinic for the flu vaccination from a Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Vehicle on **Saturday 15th December 2018** in conjunction with Slough Borough Council at the following locations/times:

- 10am 12pm, Montem Leisure Centre (We will be located in the Ice Arena Car Park, SL1 2QG)
- 12.30 2.30pm, Asda Superstore, Cippenham Lane (We will be located in the Car Park, SL1 9LA)

Please see attached information.

<u>Year 5 St Maximillian</u>

Year 5, St Maximillian visited OLOP church earlier this week. The children represented the school very well and displayed exemplary behaviour as commented upon by Father Andy. The children enjoyed attending the Mass and were respectful and reflective throughout the service.

Welly Throw

What great fun the children have had last week with the welly throwing event and we were very lucky that the rain stayed away! Many thanks to all the children, parents and staff who supported this event. It really is such a fun fundraiser. We would be grateful if you would send your sponsorship money in by Friday 7th December 2018. We will let you know how much we raised very soon. Thank you.



St Columba Class Assembly

Today Year 4 St Columba shared their assembly with parents. They performed beautifully, the celebration was enjoyed by parents and staff. Well done St Columba.

2 St Mary - Magdalene's Visit from Fathers Andy

Last Friday St Mary-Magdalene class were visited by Father Andy. They found out lots about him, his hobbies and interests. The children asked lots of questions and discovered that Father Andy loves being a priest. His favourite food is Indian and his favourite school is Our Lady of Peace.



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.

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.

<u>Cleaner Vacancy</u>

Please see attached Cleaner Advert. Thank you.

Free School Meals

Help your school and yourself - claim free school meals

Taking up free school meals has benefits for everyone:

- · children get a healthy nutritious meal
- \cdot schools can benefit directly by receiving £1300 for each eligible primary school child

FAMILIES ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS COULD SAVE MORE THAN £400 PER CHILD PER YEAR

Income Support
Income Based Jobseeker Allowance (IBJSA)
Employment & Support Allowance (Income Related) (ESA(RI))
Support under part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
Child Tax Credit (TC602) that does not exceed income of £16190.00.
Guarantee element of State Pension Credit (M1000 Award Notice)
Universal Credit and my family's net income excluding any benefit related payments is less than £7,400.

HOW TO APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

If you think you qualify for free school meals and have an email address or mobile number then you can apply through Slough Boroughs Councils online free school meals form. Slough Borough Council will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

If you do not have an email address or a mobile number then you can get a 'free school meals' application form from your child's/children's school. The school will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

Once you are eligible for free school meals, you are more likely to remain eligible for up to 2 years despite any changes to your circumstances.

Not claiming benefits, but have a child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

There are clear advantages in pupils having a school dinner, so the Government have announced that every child in the above year groups will be eligible for a free meal under the Universal Free School Meals scheme.

You can <u>apply online</u> or pick up a registration form from your child's school.



Reminder: Homework Booklets

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

Positive of the Week The children in 4 St Columba presented a beautiful assembly!

We welcome your positive comment Thank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- \Rightarrow Church Bulletin
- \Rightarrow Lions Club of Burnham Leaflet
- \Rightarrow Flu Leaflet
- \Rightarrow Cleaner Advert



"Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning."

Psalm: 30:5





3MP St Clare	Harrison D	For producing exceptional examples of work this week and working very hard in English and Maths.
3RB St Peter	Evanie S	For persevering and showing improvements in all subjects.
3CK St John Bosco	Musa D	For his efforts in working hard in all areas of learning.
4RS St Columba	Arianna S	For all her hard work and being a kind member of the class.
4BS St Blaise	Kadee G	For improving in English and for being a very polite and helpful member of the class.
4KS St Paul	Denis M	For an improvement in his presentation of work, especially handwriting.
5RR St Maximilian	Sree Chavi G	For settling in so well and contributing actively in lessons.
5KD St Ethelbert	Ariyana M	For contributing more in class.
5SS St Dunstan	Ashleigh M	For putting her hand up more in class and for rais- ing an amazing £100 from the welly throw.
6TH St Joseph	Ella Blue D	For continuing to work extremely hard in every subject and because of this she is making excellent progress.
6SP St Brigid	Oshanna C	For showing a greatly improved attitude across the curriculum and showing increased participation in class discussion.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Harry S	For working very hard on his handwriting and for contributing more in lessons.



1EH St Bernadette	Marley B	For being a good role model to her peers and her positive attitude to learning.
10S St Jude	Martyna K	For working really hard on her reading this week.
1MB St Teresa	Sofia C	For always working very hard and taking an active part in class activities and discussions.
2CW St Christopher	Mia S	For being a role model to others and making progress in all areas of the curriculum.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Alexander R	For being brave and challenging himself to try new ways of explaining his reasoning in Maths.
2LC St Mary-Magdalene	Egonna E	For excellent listening, thoughtful questions and good classwork.

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



04/12/18	Year 5 St Dunstan to Mass at OLOP Church
04/12/18	Carol Concert organised by Rotary Club of Burnham Beeches at 7.30pm to be held at St Peter's Parish Church Burnham
4/12/18	Year 1 & 2 Maths Presentation and opportunity to ask questions in KS1 Hall at 9am
05/12/18	AM Nursery Christmas Concert at 11am
05/12/18	PM Nursery Christmas Concert at 2.30pm
07/12/18	Santa's Grotto in Hagrid's Hut and Stalls at 3.30pm to 5.30pm
10/12/18	Year 4 Christmas Production to parents—Pictures of a Christmas World at 2pm
10/12/18	SEN Parents Consultation Meeting at 3.30pm to 5pm
11/12/18	Year 5 St Ethelbert's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
11/12/18	Year 3 Christmas Carols to parents at 2pm
12/12/18	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Lunch
13/12/18	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch
14/12/18	Christmas Hat/Jumper Day
14/12/18	Reception Nativity to parents at 2.15pm to 3pm
14/12/18	Panto at Windsor Theatre (Evening Event)
17/12/18	Year 1 Christmas Choir for parents at 2.30 to 3pm
18/12/18	KS1 Christmas lunch
18/12/18	End of Term for Nursery Children
19/12/18	End of Term—School Closes at 1.15pm

<u>Attendance of the Week—(26th November —30th November 2018)</u>



<u>Year band</u>	Percentage
Nursery	78.3%
Reception	89.0%
Year 1	95.2%
Year 2	95.0%
Year 3	92.0%
Year 4	94.6%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	94.9%



Well Done Year 1!

Whole School 93.0%

Attendance is very low this week, mainly due to children having colds and sniffles. Please can we ask that if your child has a cold and no other symptoms, to bring them into school. Make sure they are wrapped up warm and to give them some calpol if need be before they come into school

KS1 Class of the Week is 1EH

KS2 Class of the Week is 6JOK

96.0%

99.3%

If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on <u>attendance@olopprimary.co.uk</u> 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.