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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 had the KS1 opening Mass which took place on Thursday. It was a beautiful celebration led by Father Andy. The children were outstanding! Thank you to all the parents who attended, it was lovely to see parents and Governors at this celebration. Today Year 3 St Clare had their class assembly, a very impressive assembly. Well done St Clare.

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.

Reminder: Education Sunday

Our Catholic Schools' Week is a celebration of all that we do (8th -14th October). May we all thank God that we have so many good people within our schools. They all contribute so much to the work and mission of Bishop Peter and the Diocese.

On Sunday 14th October 2018 we would like to invite all families to the 9.45am Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church to celebrate and give thanks for the Education they receive. They will have the opportunity to celebrate Mass and sing together. There will be seats reserved for the children at the front of the Church, please can all children attending sit together. Some children will be chosen to read at the Mass. **We ask that all children come to Mass wearing full school uniform.** We look forward to seeing many of you there on the day.

Reminder: Homework Booklets

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

Reminder: 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 First Holy Communion classes will begin in January 2019 and will be held at St Andrew's on Saturday mornings. The first enrolment date will be on **Wednesday, 10th October** between 3.30pm and 5.00pm, the second enrolment date will be **Tuesday, 16th October** between 7.00pm and 7.30pm. They will both be held in the Sacristy at **Our**



Lady of Peace Church. Parents will need to complete an enrolment form which will be available on the enrolment date. The maximum amount of children we can take is 88, if we reach that number by Sunday, 11th November which will be the deadline date for any enrolments, then any latecomers will have to wait until 2020. 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 enrolment meeting. Thank you.

Year 6 St Brigid's Class Assembly Friday 5th October 2018

St Brigid performed their last ever collective class worship at Our Lady of Peace to their families on Friday. The children showcased what they have learnt in year 6 so far from World War II to electricity circuits and finished off with their own rendition of Vera Lynn's, We'll meet again. Many thanks to all those who came along to support the children.



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: Climbing Frame

Our climbing frame in the KS1 playground is unsafe and is cordoned off with red and white tape, may we ask that your children kindly refrain from using this climbing frame. Thank you.

Reminder: 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.

Reminder: Fraiser Portraits

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

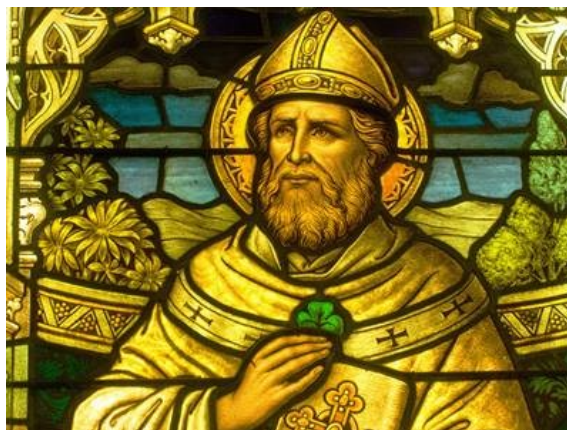
The Eve of All Saints Day—Night of Life!

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.

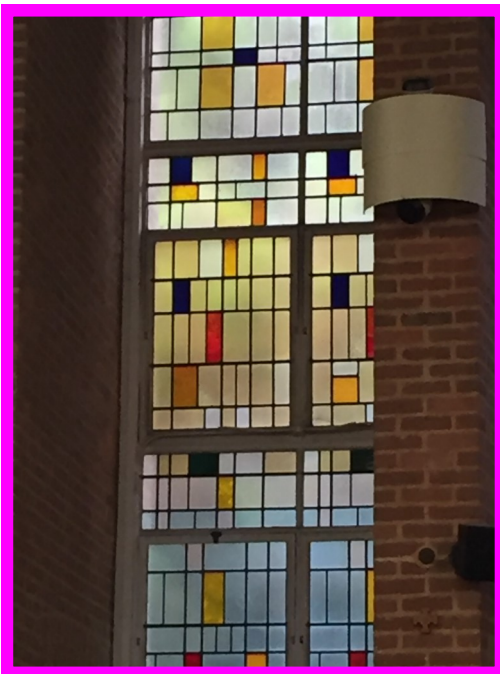
In fact Halloween ('All Hallows Eve'), the evening of the 31st October, is the vigil (beginning) of the feast of All Saints - the feast in which we celebrate the glory of God in His saints. The victory of light over darkness in the lives of God's holy ones in heaven. Jesus is the 'Light of the World'.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



Dunstable Mass

Every year we are invited to send representatives from our school to the Diocesan Mass at Dunstable. Today some of the Faith Ambassadors and Mrs O'Keeffe joined in the celebrations. All schools from the Diocese celebrated Bishop Peter's 50th Anniversary of ordination in a special Mass; it was a wonderful occasion and a fantastic opportunity to join together as one Catholic family of schools.



KS1 Mass

Today KS1 celebrated an opening Mass led by Father Andy. It was such a memorable occasion, and enjoyed by all. We had Altar Servers from KS2 who were also able to join in the celebration. Thank you to all the parents and Governors who attended.



KS2 Mass

On **Thursday 18th October 2018** we have an opening Mass for KS2 at **10:45am - 11:45am**. All parents welcome.

Positive of the Week

The children in Class 3 St Clare performed amazingly in their Assembly.

We welcome your positive commentThank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- ⇒ **Church Bulletin**
- ⇒ **Fraiser Portraits Flyer**



“Great love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

Psalm: 15:13



KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Arjun B	For exceptional manners inside and outside of the classroom at all times this week and for contributing to class discussions.
3RB St Peter	Siddarth C	For always trying to excel in every Maths and English lesson and a great example to others.
3CK St John Bosco	Acksel S	For consistently working hard, listening well and setting a good example.
4RS St Columba	Aaliyah I	For always participating in class, sharing her ideas and using fantastic adjectives in her writing.
4BS St Blaise	Nadia S	For completing work quickly to a high standard and helping other children.
4KS St Paul	Immanuel Q	For working hard to write a report and for showing excellent manners at all times.
5RR St Maximilian	Urim U	For being such a good role model and for always presenting his work neatly and to a high standard.
5KD St Ethelbert	Gabriella W	For being extremely hardworking and resilient in all lessons.
5SS St Dunstan	Holly H	For always working hard in every lesson, her high standards and good behaviour are an example to others.
6TH St Joseph	Ana P	For showing great enthusiasm in all her lessons and impressing Mrs D during their weekly maths group.
6SP St Brigid	Jaya P	For working hard, always on task and looking to help around the classroom, a great role model.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Annrose K	For consistently approaching every single lesson with a fantastic attitude and for always trying her best.

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

1EH St Bernadette	Jack B	For improved listening skills during class discussions.
1OS St Jude	Catherine J	For always working hard in class and being a good team player during group work.
1MB St Teresa	Miley C	For outstanding behaviour during the school Mass.
2CW St Christopher	Sabeeha S	For being a good role model and always taking an active part in class discussions.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Valonia R	For contributing great ideas to class discussion.
2RS St Mary-Magdalene	Keith K	For demonstrating a mature attitude to learning and always having a beaming smile.

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



14/10/18	Education Sunday—Families invited to 9.45am Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church
17/10/18	Maths Information Evening for Parents for children in Year 5 & 6 at 6pm
18/10/18	KS2 Opening Mass at 10.45am—Parents Welcome
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
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
1/11/18	All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation
2/11/18	All Souls Day of Devotion
2/11/18	Year 4 St Columba Class Assembly
5/11/18	Parents Consultation Evening—EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Lower (Years 3 & 4) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm
6/11/18	Year 6 St Brigid to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
6/11/18	Parents Consultation Evening—KS2 Upper Years 5 & 6) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm
7/11/18	Year 1 Phonic & Early Reading Workshop for parents at 9am
9/11/18	Year 5 St Dunstan and Year 1 St Jude Class Assemblies

Attendance of the Week—(8th October—12th October 2018)



<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	91.7%
Reception	96.9%
Year 1	98.1%
Year 2	94.6%
Year 3	97.9%
Year 4	96.0%
Year 5	97.2%
Year 6	97.0%



Well Done Year 1!

Whole School 96.6%

**KS1 Class of the Week is RLC
& 1EH
99%**

**KS2 Class of the Week is 3MP
99.33%**

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.