



School Newsletter No 4
Lenten Term 1
31st January 2020

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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 24th May 2019*

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. Unbelievably there are only two weeks left until the end of term and how quickly this term has flown. The children and staff have all worked very hard and am sure all ready for their half term break.

Have a great weekend.

God bless you all.

Mrs JR O'Keeffe

Message from Friends of OLOP - 5p Challenge

The Friends of OLOP were so impressed by last year's 5p Challenge, that we've decided to run the competition again. Next week, students can start bringing in their 5p coins in the race to fill their class' 2L bottle. The class with the most coins will win popcorn and a film to watch together to celebrate their success. Last year we raised nearly £1100. Why don't we see if we can outdo ourselves this year?

Good luck to all the classes, and thank you from Friends of OLOP.

Half term Swimming Crash Course

Please see attached leaflet. Thank you.

Appeal from Faith Ambassador



This week Faith Ambassador Mishon made an appeal to the school in assembly for donations for the homeless. All monies raised will be donated to The London and Slough Run Homeless Charity.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Year 6SP St Brigid Class Assembly 24/01/2020



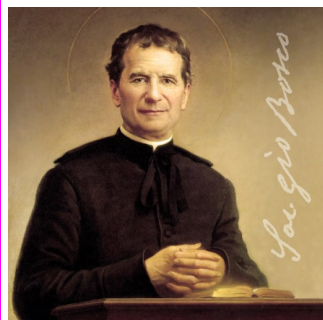
6 St Brigid brought the Rio carnival to Our Lady of Peace last Friday during their collective class worship, showcasing all they had learnt about Brazil and their patron saint St. Brigid. One child in particular stole the show dressed in her own carnival outfit that she had made herself! As this was their last class assembly before moving on to secondary school they also shared their favourite memories with their parents. Mr Phelan would like to thank all their children for their hard work in preparing the assembly and the parents for their attendance.

Year 1EH St Bernadette Class Assembly 24/01/2020



On Friday 24th January 2020 1EH St Bernadette performed their class assembly to their family and friends. The theme of the assembly was based on their current RE topic of Special People. The children spoke about their class saint, St Bernadette, and how after seeing a vision of Mary at Lourdes she was inspired to do many things, including becoming a nurse when she grew up. They then told everyone about the special people in their lives and showed the audience paintings of these people. The children spoke really well, sang their songs with great enthusiasm and signed the Hail Mary. Well done 1EH.

The Feast of Saint John Bosco (3CK) 31st January 2020



On Friday afternoon 3CK celebrated their class patron Saint, Saint John Bosco. They visited the environmental area and prayed the Angelus, their newly learned prayer. 3CK also sang their favourite Psalm. The children played a variety of ball games like: football, piggy in the middle and dodgeball. They continued in the class by painting their favourite part of the life of Saint John Bosco, the patron Saint of the Youth. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlwC5z8j0do&feature=emb_title

Thank you to Conor and his family



Today in the celebration assembly, Conor was recognised for saving his pennies with the help of his family for The Slough and London Run charity. Thank you Connor for your kind donation which will help greatly towards our fundraising for this worthy cause.

Appointment Procedures

We ask that you please make every effort to avoid booking medical and dental appointments during school time. Where this is unavoidable, parents/carers should put this in writing to the school office and attach a copy of the appointment card or letter **before** the date of the appointment. A photocopy will be taken to go with your child's attendance record. Please also include the time you will need to collect your child. If your child will be late into school because of a medical or dental appointment, please phone the school (01628 661886) on the morning of the appointment and leave a message on the absence line before 8:30 am. If arriving late, please ensure that your child is accompanied and signed in by an adult at the school office for safeguarding reasons.

Please **do not** wait to inform us until the day of the appointment or turn up half an hour before the appointment time because **if you do not give us adequate notice you will need to wait until there is a convenient break in the lesson for your child to come out of class.**

Process for Concerns/Issues

In the first instance, in regards to your child, parents should approach their child's class teacher who will make time to speak to them as soon as is practically possible.

If you feel your concern or issue has not been resolved, an appointment should then be made to see the year group leader:

Nursery/Reception— Mrs Clark

Year One— Mrs Borsuk

Year Two—Mrs K Smith

Year Three—Mr O'Keeffe

Year Four—Mrs Sidhu

Year Five—Mrs Snowden/Miss Roberts

Year Six—Mr Head

If further discussion are needed you would then speak with Mrs J Holden who is our Deputy Headteacher.

Any issues or concerns regarding Special Educational Needs should be addressed to Mrs F Ahmad (KS1) or Mrs C Wood (KS2) if further discussion is needed then you would contact Mrs H Hadaway who is our Inclusion Manager. Any Medical needs should be discussed with Mrs L Webster our Medical Officer.

If there should be a need after this process to meet with Mrs O'Keeffe (Headteacher), she will of course be happy to do so. Please contact her PA to arrange an appointment at pa@olopprimary.co.uk Thank you.



February Half Term Sports Camp at Our Lady of Peace

As a school we are delighted to inform our parents and guardians that our In-House Sports Coaching team are returning this February Half Term with their Sports Camp.

The camp will be run on our secure grounds and will have lots of fun activities for the children to enjoy: Basketball, Dodgeball, Netball, Gymnastics, Dance, Football, Ultimate Frisbee, New Age Kurling and many more sports to try and enjoy.

Dates/Times:

Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February

Normal camp times 10am - 4pm

Additional Drop off 9am and 5pm

To Book a space on the camp or any of the activities below please visit: <https://getsportsinspired.class4kids.co.uk>

In addition we wanted to let you know about some other sessions/classes that G.S.I run outside of school in the local community:

Monday: Langley Mummy & Baby Fitness AM - Burnham Family Fitness Session PM (Free Trial Session)

Wednesday: Burnham Multi Sports 5 to 11 years PM (Free Trial Session)

Thursday: Langley Indoor Football 5 to 11 years PM - Langley Outdoor Football 12 years to 16 years followed by adult football PM (Free Trial Session)

Friday: Burnham Football Development Centre with UEFA B & FA Level 2 coaches 5 to 12 years of age 6pm-7.15pm (Free Trial Session)

Saturday: Wexham Indoor Cricket 7 to 16 years of age 10am to 12pm

We are also launching a Burnham based Pilates session in the next few weeks and would love to hear if you would be interested in joining, drop an email to gareth@getsportsinspired.org.uk and join our list.

Fujau Kick Boxing Free Half Term Training

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Free Half Term Training

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OLOP School
Derwent Drive, Burnham SL16HW

18th & 20th Feb
5:00pm - 5:45pm

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20 World Champions



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Slough Music Service

Please find attached information from Slough Music Service regarding their half term activity.

Nursery Admission September 2020



If you have a child who will be 3 years of age before the **31st August 2020** and have not already applied for a place in our Nursery, but would like your child to attend, please contact the Admissions Officer via the school office or email admissions@olopprimary.co.uk. Thank you.

School Council Letter to Mrs O'Keeffe

The school council committee at Our Lady of Peace wrote a letter to Mrs O'Keeffe with their idea of installing a water fountain in the KS2 playground. Please see attached to this newsletter the original letter from the school council and their reply from Mrs O'Keeffe. Thank you.

Funky Socks

A big thank you to everyone who helped to raise money for ICT equipment for the classrooms. With your help we managed to raise £295.35. Thank you for your support.

Positive of the Week

Miss Waddingham has really enjoyed teaching and planting spring bulbs with Year 3.

Please find attached the following communications and information

⇒ Church Bulletin

⇒ School Council Letter and Reply from Mrs O'Keeffe

⇒ Come Join the Band

⇒ Swimming Crash Course

“The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives. Though they stumble, they will never fall, for the Lord holds them by the hand.”

Psalms 37:23

Governor of the Month

Kelly Robinson: Foundation Governor

This April marks two years that I have been a governor. I have enjoyed the role, mostly because it helps me gain a better understanding of the primary education system, gives me opportunities to meet some great people and reminds me what a great choice it was to send our two daughters to this lovely school.

Part of a governor's responsibilities is to make visits to the school to question, challenge and support the staff and members of the leadership team. I personally make termly visits to meet with Mrs O'Sullivan; she is in charge of monitoring our students' attendance. I am always impressed by her updates and positivity in this role. She is the one who awards classes each week with the best attendance award that comes with a teddy bear or trophy. Her efforts and hard work have seen our school's overall attendance improve in the last year.

Other recent visits I have made to the school have been as both a parent and a governor. I got to watch the Reception classes perform a charming and brilliantly organised Nativity back in December. Before Christmas, I also attended the Friends of OLOP's Christmas fete where I truly believe the volunteers outdid last year's admirable efforts. I am grateful for their endeavours to bring our school community together at events such as this.

Finally, I was also able to attend the KS1 Mass where Father Emmanuel celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany. As ever, I was blown away by the composure and participation of OLOP's youngest classes.

I look forward to what the rest of the school year brings.



KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Clayton	For working sensibly this week and for trying his best in every lesson.
3JOK St Peter	Isabelle	For being a friendly and considerate member of the class and for working well in English.
3CK St John Bosco	Oliver	For making a great effort to listen well and is always ready to answer questions.
4RS St Columba	Evanie	For working extremely hard in English and using adventurous vocabulary in her hot task.
4RL St Blaise	Jayden	For making an independent attempt to improve his handwriting by completing additional homework.
4OS St Paul	Kaja	For working hard to produce an excellent story in English.
5JR St Maximilian	Arianna	For working hard in English to use the language features of an explanation text effectively and producing a well written piece of work.
5KD St Ethelbert	Kadee	For being an extremely hard working pupil in all lessons.
5SS St Dunstan	Wiktor	For great improvement in English and for a great poem in the cold task this week.
6RG St Joseph	Angelo	For all his hard work, determination, effort and for always working really hard to complete all his work.
6SP St Brigid	Uzo	For working hard in all her lessons, taking on board advice and always looking to improve.
6TH St Cuthbert	Benedict	For his concentration, hard work and for producing some extremely pleasing pieces of written work this week.

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

RLC St John	Darcy	For trying so hard with her writing this
RHA St Francis	Fionn	For his hard work in writing.
RK1B St Valentine	Keira	For always being a wonderful role model!
1EH St Bernadette	Sakina	For her great independent work in Maths.
1MB St Jude	Ibrahim	For his great improvement in handwriting and work presentation.
2HL St Christopher	Eve	For her excellent work in English and writing a brilliant poem.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Sebastian	for his excellent attitude to learning in all areas and being a great role model to his peers!
2SS St Mary-Magdalene	Isabella	For working so well in Maths, and showing determination in her handwriting.

Well done to you all!

Local Parishes Mass Times

Holy Redeemer Parish	Wexham Road, Slough, West Berk- shire, SL2 5QR	Sunday – 9am and 11am
Holy Family Catholic Parish	226 Trelawney Ave- nue, Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD	Saturday – 5:30pm Sunday – 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm
Our Lady of Peace The Presby- tery	Lower Britwell Road, Slough, SL2 2NL	Sunday – 9:30 am
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—2020



01/02/2020	St Brigid Feast Day
05/02/2020	School Nurses visiting Reception—Hearing and Vision
06/02/2020	School Nurses visiting Reception—Hearing and Vision
07/02/2020	Year 3JOK St Peter and Year 2HL St Christopher class assemblies
12/02/2020	KS2 SATs Information Evening for parents
14/02/2020	St Valentines Feast Day
14/02/2020	Term Ends—School Finishes at 3:10pm KS1 and 3:15pm KS2
24/02/2020	Term Starts
24/02/2020	Year One Rain Forest Discovery Workshop visit to school
26/02/2020	Lent Begins
02/03/2020	Parent Consultation—Nursery AM/Reception/KS1/Year 3 & 4 at 3.30pm to 6.30pm
05/03/2020	Parent Consultation—Nursery AM/Year 5 & 6 at 3.30pm to 6.30pm
09/03/2020	Parent Consultation—Nursery PM/Year 5 & 6 at 3.30pm to 6.30pm
12/03/2020	Parent Consultation—Nursery PM/Reception/KS1/Year 3 & 4 at 3.30pm to 6.30pm
13/03/2020	Year 4OS St Paul and Reception St John Class Assemblies at 2.45pm—Parents welcome.

Attendance of the Week—(27th January to 31st January 2020)



<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	95.52 %
Reception	94.35 %
Year 1	95.38 %
Year2	96.67 %
Year 3	94.86 %
Year 4	97.50 %
Year 5	96.12 %
Year 6	95.17 %



Well Done Year 4!

Whole School Attendance— 96.15%

KS1 Class of the Week is:

2KS
99.0%

KS2 Class of the Week is:

4RL
98.40%

If your child is absent from school for any reason please email attendance@olopprimary.co.uk or leave a telephone message selecting option 2.

Can we please remind you that all planned medical and dental appointments, should be made for after school or during school holidays. Taking children to appointments during learning time, can have a huge impact on the class, teacher and school office in facilitating these appointments. The school understands that this isn't always possible, however, pupils should attend school prior to or following a medical or dental appointment and avoid a full day's absence.

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.