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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. The time is flying by so quickly, I cannot believe that next week will be the start of our Advent journey as Advent starts on the 1st December. The staff and children are all busy preparing for the festive season as I am sure you all are too. We are looking forward to all the children's Christmas performances and love listening to the children practising. I look forward to seeing you at our Christmas Fair tomorrow.

Have a great weekend. God bless you all.

Mrs JR O'Keeffe

6RG Class Assembly

Class 6RG had their assembly last Friday. The children really enjoyed sharing their learning journey since September. They talked about WW2 and how this affected the people of Britain. The children dressed up as evacuees, factory workers, moms and some as pilots.

Well done to all the children of 6RG for their huge effort in preparing and presenting their assembly.

2KS Class Assembly

Last Friday St Thomas Moore Class performed their class assembly to their grown ups. It was a great success! The children shared some of the learning and life skills they have developed since coming in to Year 2, especially our Golden Rules of 'Be Ready, Be Safe and Be Respectful'. They shared what they have learned about Baptism and how all of us are welcome into God's family. The children sang beautifully, and even recited a 4 verse poem off by heart! Their loud voices were clear and interesting to listen to. All of the children worked so hard to make this a great performance. Well done children!

School Christmas Fair

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our festive Christmas Fair is tomorrow! We have lots of great stalls lined up including our new toys tombola, bottle tombola, Christmas decorations and gifts and the school's Christmas cards. We have food and drinks stalls including chips, hot chocolate and mulled wine.



We are still looking for people to donate cakes for our popular cake stall. We would be grateful for home-baked or shop bought goodies for us to sell on the day. We welcome anything from mince pies, brownies, cupcakes and cookies, to larger cakes and pies. But please remember NO NUTS.

All of our Santa's grotto tickets have unfortunately sold out, but for those with tickets, please ensure you bring them with you on the day and that you check your allocated time slot at the top of your ticket.

We are still on the look out for volunteers to help make the day as enjoyable as possible so if you can spare an hour of your time please email friends@olopprimary.co.uk.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you all tomorrow at the Christmas Fair !!

Christmas Card competition.

The standard of the Christmas Card competition was very high and choosing the winners was a tough task. We are delighted to announce the winners from each category below:

Leon - RLC

Mark - 2SS

Katerina - 4RL

Erin - 6SP

A huge congratulations to all of you.

Friends of OLOP

Pastoral Letter for Advent

Attached is Bishop Peter's Pastoral Letter for the Year of the Word.

REMINDER—SEN Parent Consultation Meeting

Appointments for the SEN Parent Consultation Meetings are now available to book via our online booking system on the website. The SEN Parents Meeting will take place on the 9th December 3:30pm to 5pm and will take place in your child's classroom.

Mission Together—Children Helping Children

As a school we raised £62.10 for the Mission together charity. Thank you for your generous donations.

Please go to our website and look at the lovely certificate we received showing how much we raised by following *About us, Catholic life of school, Charities we support.*

Reminder—Christmas lunch

Our Christmas lunch for children in school will take place over three days this year.

- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be on Thursday 12th December (no payment required).
- KS2—Lower School, Year 3 and 4 will be on Wednesday 4th December.
- KS2—Upper School, Year 5 and 6 will be on Thursday 5th December.



REMINDER—Afterschool club

There are available spaces at Breakfast club on Mondays, Tuesday and Fridays as well as spaces in the Afterschool Club on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please contact Mrs Brown by email asc@olopprimary.co.uk for if you are interested.

All information regarding times and costs of the Afterschool and Breakfast Club are available on the school website.

Christmas Drawing Competition for Year 1 children

The Frost Partnership have invited our Year 1 pupils to enter a drawing competition entitled 'My Ideal Christmas House' The winning entries will be displayed in the shop window on the day of the Burnham Christmas Fayre on the 5th December. The overall winner will receive a £50 voucher. Good luck to all pupils who enter the competition. Please return all entries to: The Frost Partnership, 73 High Street, Burnham, SL1 7JX.

Closing date is 4th December 2019

Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for an Out of School Manager.

Reminder: PGL

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

Positive of the Week

We welcome your positive comments.....Thank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

⇒Church Bulletin

⇒Bishop Peter's Pastoral Letter

⇒Mission Together



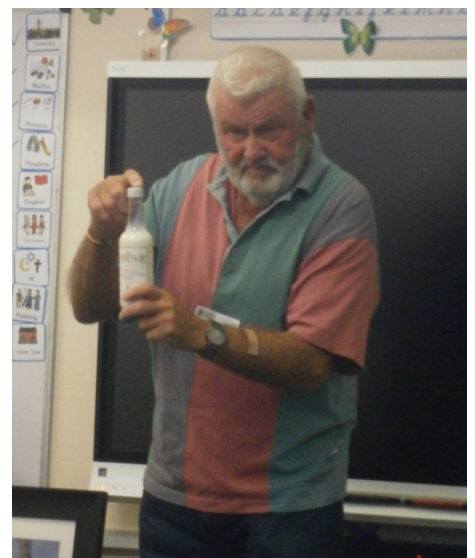
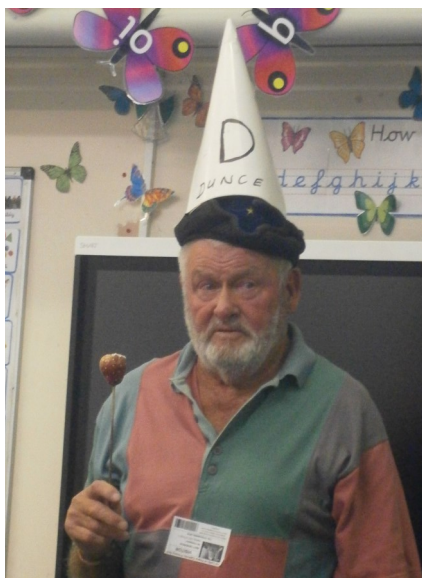
*“Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.”*

Psalm: 47:1



Year 1 History

As part of the year one History topic “Changes within living memory”, in which the children are learning about homes and schools in the past, 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 on, 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.



Road Safety Workshop

Year 5 took part in an interactive workshop today about road safety. Through activities, tasks and quizzes, they were made aware of the importance of staying safe on the road and of potential risks. This included being a pedestrian, riding a bicycle and using other forms of transport on the road.



Spelling Shed League Tables

A huge congratulations to those children who are at the top of the league on Spelling Shed. Keep up the amazing progress.

Well done to 6SP for topping the league tables.

Here are the top ten scores for November. We look forward to seeing the top scores for December and January next term.

Mrs. R. Gunn (English Subject Leader)

November	Group	Score
1.	6SP	21,350,012
2.	4RS	9,328,408
3.	6TH	5,422,512
4.	4RL	3,319,376
5.	1EH	2,836,306
6.	1MB	2,720,328
7.	3JOK	957,988
8.	6RG	387,394
9.	4OS	276,424
10.	3MP	64,338

November	Pupil	Group	Score
1.	Anish	4RS	8,703,088
2.	Ridhwan Y	6SP	6,955,928
3.	Bradley	6SP	5,437,672
4.	Declan	6TH	5,422,512
5.	Oliwier	6SP	4,145,056
6.	Gerard	6SP	2,914,792
7.	Joseph	1EH	1,972,612
8.	Lauren	4RL	1,658,384
9.	Sofia	6TH	1,553,570
10.	Hamaail	1MB	1,016,660

KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Ciara	Ciara always displays such a lovely attitude towards everything at school and this is a joy to see. She works hard, is always kind and is always willing to help others. Well done!
3JOK St Peter	Eshal	For continuing to contribute to classroom discussions! Keep it up!
3CK St John Bosco	Keith	Keith has grown in confidence and makes a good effort to do his best work. He has impressed us with his great effort to spell accurately. Congratulations and keep up the great effort!
4RS St Columba	Kitty	For trying extremely hard in Maths. Kitty has improved in learning her multiplication facts.
4RL St Blaise	Musa	Musa has been a model pupil, his behaviour has been impeccable and he always get on with his work. We wish him all the best in his new school.
4OS St Paul	Kayden	For trying hard to complete his work to a high standard and working hard on his concentration. Well done Kayden.
5JR St Maximilian	Nadia	For her hard work in English this week and independently proof-reading her writing to improve the quality. Keep it up.
5KD St Ethelbert	Erykah-May	For listening very carefully to my instructions and making good progress (especially in comprehension!)
5SS St Dunstan	Yashleen	For always working hard in all lessons and being happy and joyful every day. Well done!
6RG St Joseph	Benedichta	Well done Benedichta for your determined and consistent approach towards your learning. You follow the Golden Rules consistently and as a result you're an excellent role model to others. You always listen to instructions well and in lessons you are willing to challenge yourself. As a result you are making outstanding progress in all areas of the curriculum. Keep up the brilliant effort. I am so very proud of you.
6SP St Brigid	Erin	Erin always tries her best, looking to improve and making good contributions in class discussion which all led to an excellent mystery story this week. Well done!
6TH St Cuthbert	Kavin	Kavin works hard in every lesson, listens carefully to other peoples' ideas and always produces work that he can feel proud of. He is a pleasure to teach!

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

RLC St John	Casey	For her hard work in both maths and literacy this week. Well done Casey!
RHA St Francis	Devine	For hard work and being conscientious.
RKB St Valentine	Thea	For working hard and well in a team
1KB St Francis	Karolina	For always trying her best.
1EH St Bernadette	Logan	For having the confidence to work independently in English and Maths. Keep up the good work!
1MB St Jude	Alexander	For trying hard in class and putting his hand up during lessons.
2HL St Christopher	Michelle	For writing an excellent sequel story with fantastic spelling of our common exception words. Well done!
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Hibba	For always being a kind, caring and sensible member of the class, and setting a good example for others to follow.
2SS St Mary-Magdalene	Lena	For writing an excellent sequel story, using various types of punctuation correctly. Well done Lena, we are pleased with you and your consistent ready to learn attitude!

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	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—2019



30/11/19	St Andrews Day
03/12/19	Year 4 Science Dome in school Year 5 St Dunstan (5SS) to Mass
04/12/19	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Lunch
05/12/19	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch
06/12/19	St Nicholas Feast Day
09/12/19	SEN Parents Consultation Meeting—3.30pm to 5pm
10/12/19	Year 3 Christmas Production to parents at 2pm Year 5 St Ethelbert (5KD) to Mass
12/12/19	Nursery Christmas Concert - AM Nursery 11.00am and PM Nursery 2.30pm. Parents welcome
12/12/19	Reception and KS1 Christmas Lunch
13/12/19	Christmas Hat/Jumper Day Reception Nativity to parents - 2:15pm
16/12/19	Year 1 Christmas Choir to Parents at 2:30pm
17/12/19	Year 4 Christmas Production to Parents at 2:15pm
20/12/19	End of Term—School finishes at 1:15pm
07/01/20	Children to return to school

Attendance of the Week—(24th November—29th November 2019)



<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	87.0%
Reception	96.5%
Year 1	96.8%
Year 2	98.2%
Year 3	96.4%
Year 4	97.5%
Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	96.4%



Well Done Year 2 !

Whole School Attendance— 96.5%

KS1 Class of the Week is:

R1KB

99.55%

KS2 Class of the Week is:

3CK

100%

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.

Holiday during Term Time

May we remind you that **NO** holiday will be authorised at any time during term time and 5 days of absence or more will incur a penalty notice (fine) from Slough Borough Council.

Any absences attached to a School holiday will need to be backed up with medical evidence, i.e. either an appointment card from the Doctor's surgery to say your child has been seen and please make sure this is dated for the day of absence or proof provided of any prescribed medication. This can be brought to the School Office on your child's return. Without this, your child's absence will be marked as unauthorised and again, if your child is away for 5 days or more (*including either side of a School holiday*), this could incur a penalty notice (fine) from Slough Borough Council.

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.