





School Newsletter No 32 Summer Term 2 14th June 2019

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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,

We are already two weeks into the term and Year 6 are busy practising for their school production, the ladies in the office have remarked on how beautiful they are singing. I cannot wait to see the final show. I wish you all a happy and restful weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

God Bless you all.

Mrs JR O'Keeffe



Year 2 End of Year Assembly

Please note the Year 2 end of year assembly has been changed from Friday 12th July to Thursday 18th July at 2.45pm. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

RE Inspection

We would like to inform parents that on Friday 12th July the school will be have a section 48 RE inspection. Under Section 48 of the Education Act 2005 the Bishop has the right to inspect any Catholic school or college within his Diocese to evaluate the quality of Religious Education and the Catholic nature of the school.

Pentecost

This week we celebrated Pentecost a special Feast Day with the children in Assembly. Each child will have the opportunity to write a poem or prayer on how they will spread the 'Good News.'



Faith Ambassadors

Next week the Faith Ambassadors will be serving the Elderly on Tuesday 18th June with tea and cakes and class 5KD will be performing an assembly to our visitors. We are all looking forward to this special occasion.

Year 5 & 6 Sports Day

We would like to remind you that Year 5 & 6 Sports Day will be on Wednesday 19th June from 9.30am to 11.45am. Thank you.

Year 2 Birds

Year 2 have been reading and studying the story 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark'.

To get the children excited about the book, we have organised a very special visit from some owls from a falconry centre on **Thursday 20th June 2018**. The handlers from Feathers and Fur Falconry company will bring different species of owls to the school hall for the children to see, watch them fly, and learn about how they survive. We think this will provide the children with an unforgettable and enriching experience that will help to inspire their imaginations, ready for reading and writing about Plop the owl in our story!

Parents of children with Special Educational Needs:

We will be holding our next SEN Parents Consultation Evening on <u>Monday 8th July</u> from 3.30-5pm - please keep this date free in your diaries. Parents will be able to book a 20 minute slot with their child's class teacher. In this time, your child's current Individual Provision Map (IPM) will be reviewed and your child's new IPM for the Autumn term will be discussed. Please ensure you sign up using our online booking system. This booking system will be active from **Wednesday 19th June.**

Reminder: Year 6 Production—Change of Dates

Please note the Year 6 production has been changed from Wednesday 10th and Friday 12th July to Thursday 4th and Friday 5th July at 6pm. The production on Monday 8th July remains unchanged. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Reminder: KS1 School Office



Please note that there is no longer an office in the Key Stage 1 building. All parents should now report to the main reception which is located in the Key Stage 2 building. Thank you.

Meet Your Child's New Teacher Opportunity

There will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher on Monday 15th July 2019 from 3.30pm - 4.15pm. Teachers will be available during this time for an informal introduction. Thank you.

5 Pence Challenge

Just a reminder that the 5 PENCE CHALLENGE comes to an end next **Thursday the 20th of June**. The class with the most coins wins the opportunity to watch a film and share some popcorn together.



PGL 2019

Last week, the Year 6 pupils and staff went on their residential trip to PGL Liddington. They spent three days taking part in a wide range of activities such as abseiling, archery, canoeing, raft building, fencing and much more besides! The pupils had a fantastic time, entering into every activity with enthusiasm, even if some of them were a little nervous at first.

The instructors made sure the children felt happy and safe at all times, while a big thank you must also go to the OLOP staff who gave up their time to attend the trip. Overall, the trip was a great success and we are already planning our return to PGL Liddington in June 2020!



Year 6 Residential trip 2020.

There will be an information evening for Year 5 parents on Tuesday 25th June at 6pm in the KS2 hall. Mr Head will provide details about the planned trip to PGL Liddington on the 3rd June 2020.

Nursery Sports Day

The Nursery children took part in Sports Day this week. They took part in an egg and spoon race, threw beanbags into hoops that were different distances away and balanced a beanbag on their head and completed a short obstacle course. They also all joined in with a running race. We talked about sportsmanship, the benefits of exercise and trying our best.













Missio Charity



Mission Together encourages children in England and Wales to pray, fundraise and become missionaries themselves – **children helping children**.

Under its original name of Holy Childhood, Mission Together has been active in Catholic schools for 170 years. Thanks to money raised by children in England and Wales, Mission Together carries out educational, medical and welfare projects in the poorest areas of the world. Over generations, Missio's work with children has helped to build the family of God. Their universally inclusive projects

tend to the needs of everyone, regardless of background or beliefs. In this way they show the all-embracing nature of the Catholic Church.

We are collecting on behalf of the Missio charity. Please bring in any spare change that you can spare. Thank you to everybody who has contributed so far.

During June we pray that the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

The Kingdom of God grows in a mysterious and surprising way throughout the world with the power of a tiny seed.

- Pope Francis



Code Camp

As you may know, Our Lady of Peace Primary School will be hosting a Code Camp for students from years 2 - 6 from 7th - 9th August. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to have fun and make friends, while learning to code!

We are passionate about encouraging the students to get involved with technology, and while we do a lot of different activities throughout the term, Code Camp can really help to complement student's learning with a focus on problem-solving, computational thinking, design and creativity.

Due to parent feedback Code Camp have decided to extend their Early Bird discount until Sunday 9th June, giving you one last opportunity to save £30 off each enrolment.

Please head to www.codecamp.co.uk/ourladyofpeace if you would like your child to participate during the summer, or see the attached flyer for more information.

Letter from Mary's Meals

Dear Staff & Pupils

Thank you so much for your donation of £173.51 to Mary's Meals, which will be used to provide life-changing meals for children in their place of education.

Supporting our school feeding programmes is a great way of helping hungry children to learn and giving them the best chance of a future free from poverty.

The daily meals we provide are enabling thousands of children to attend school and work towards their dreams. Children such as 14-year-old Chimza Harry, who attends Mwalamba Primary School in Malawi.

Chimza – whose full name, Chimwemwe, means joy – lives at home with his mother Lucia and three siblings. The family ran out of food stores soon after last year's harvest, having only managed to grow one bag of maize.

He said: "I feel weak in the mornings when I walk to school. I feel lethargic, but I am excited to go to school because I will eat here, and learn."

Chimza is top of his class and has been every year since he started school.

However, as the eldest male living in the household, he feels duty-bound to help support the family and is adamant that he would not be at school if it weren't for the phala (porridge).

"When I eat the phala I get the strength to eat, study, walk home, and work.

"If there was no phala, I would have left school, because I know when I am hungry I cannot listen properly, I cannot learn. I would like to finish my education and become a doctor. I would like to help my people - the people around my village - to see a doctor in hospital faster."

Chimza's academic achievements show he is right to be ambitious. Thanks to your generosity, he and thousands more children have the chance to realise their dreams. On behalf of the 1,425,013 children who currently receive Mary's Meals, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Yours sincerely,

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, GCEO

Reminder: Art Project

We are looking for a variety of magazines for our Art project and would be grateful for any unwanted magazines you may want to donate. We would be grateful if you would bring any unwanted magazines to main Reception. Thank you.

Reminder: Friends of OLOP

The Summer Fayre is fast approaching on Saturday 29th June and the Friends are busy preparing and organising the event. The Friends of OLOP would be grateful for any help and support. Please see attached letter. Thank you.

Reminder: Parking

We are receiving numerous complaints with regard to parking outside of the school. We would be grateful if you would consider neighbours and other parents when parking outside the school. May we ask that you park safely. Thank you for your cooperation.

Positive of the Week

Year 3 children were a credit to the school whilst at Mass on Tuesday morning at OLOP Church.

We welcome your positive commentThank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- ⇒ Church Bulletin
- ⇒ Code Camp
- **⇒ Summer Fete Flyer**
- ⇒ Values June/July



"I am like an olive tree growing in God's Temple. I trust God's love forever and ever".

Psalm 52:8



KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Zuzanna P	For excellent presentation in her English work.
3RB St Peter	Benjamin U	For a great improvement in creative writing.
3CK St John Bosco	Falak N	For growing in confidence and for making a great effort to improve her handwriting.
4RS St Columba	Demi A	For always trying her best and making a fantastic effort with her handwriting.
4RL St Blaise	Vanessa B	For working hard in all of her lessons and contributing to class discussions.
4JR St Paul	Lucas P	For being consistently hardworking and respectful to staff and his peers.
5RR St Maximilian	Alfie W	For working so well in Maths this week.
5KD St Ethelbert	Ethan W	For being an excellent role model to the rest of the class.
5SS St Dunstan	Tahlia C	For persevering in Maths and completing the 'Spicy' work.
6TH St Joseph	Muhammad S	For working hard in all lessons.
6SP St Brigid	Aedan S	For helping his peers overcome their fears during the PGL trip by encouraging, supporting and abseiling with them.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Aysha A	For being a good role model to other students.



RLC St John	Stefania M	For recognition of her positive behaviour to learning and being a good role model for other children.
RHA St Francis	Roxy B	For working hard and great progress in reading, writing and phonics.
RKB St Valentine	Jacob C	For recognition of fabulous writing.
1EH St Bernadette	Lily-Mae H	For great improvement in her attitude to learning.
10S St Jude	Raayva S	For working hard in her reading.
1MB St Teresa	Leon S	For his engagement in class activities.
2CW St Christopher	Ava W	For working hard to use punctuation carefully in her
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Conor N	For enjoying his learning and doing his best.
2RC St Mary-Magdalene	Ego E	For kind and support to staff and students.

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—2019

24/06/19 & 25/06/19	School Nurses Visit Reception—Vision and Hearing
26/06/19	Sports Day KS2 Year 3 & 4—9.30am-11.45am
28/06/19	Year 2 St Mary Magdalene Class Assembly at 2.30pm
29/06/19	Summer Fayre—12-3pm
02/07/19	New Reception Meeting—2-2.45pm
03/07/19	New Reception Meeting—2-2.45pm
03/07/19	New Nursery Parents Evening
04/07/19	New Reception Meeting—2-2.45pm
04/07/19	Year 6 Production to parents at 6pm
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05/07/19	Reception Trip to Beale Park
05/07/19	Year 4 St Paul Class Assembly at 2.45pm
05/07/19	St Boniface Day
06/07/19	St Norbert Day
07/07/19	SEN Parents Consultation Evening at 3.30pm - 5pm
08/07/19	Year 6 Production to Parents at 2pm
09/07/19	St Thomas Moore Feast Day
16/07/19	Year 6 Leaver Mass at OLOP Church—9.30am
16/07/19	Year 6 Leavers Disco—5.30pm to 7pm

Useful Dates for Your Diary—2019



17/07/19	Art Day
18/07/19	Year 2 End of Year Assembly at 2.45pm
19/07/19	End of Term—School closes at 1.15pm

Attendance of the Week—(10th June—14th June 2019)



Year band	Percentage
Nursery	94.0%
Reception	93.7%
Year 1	95.6%
Year 2	95.3%
Year 3	97.6%
Year 4	98.2%
Year 5	97.4%
Year 6	95.6%



Well Done Year 4! Yearly Whole School 95.42%

Weekly Whole School Attendance—96.0%

KS1 Class of the Week is 2CW KS2 Class of the Week is

4JR

100%

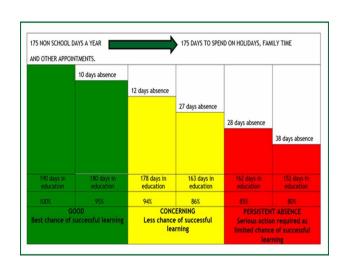
If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on attendance@olopprimary.co.uk or leave a telephone message selecting option 2. Thank you.

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.

Minutes late per day	Learning time lost in a year
5 minutes	3½ days
10 minutes	7 days
15 minutes	10 ½ days
20 minutes	14 days
30 minutes	21 days



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.