



## Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School 'With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'

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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

#### **Headteacher's Message**



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. I hope you all enjoyed your well deserved break. The children have all come back to school very smart and eager to learn. It has been a very busy start to the tern. On Monday Fraser Portraits took photographs of the children which I am sure you will all be pleased with once received. On Wednesday we celebrated the Eve of All Saints and Year One had a pyjama day.

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.

#### **School Menu**

Attached to this newsletter you will find the new lunch menus for KS1 and KS2, they can also be found on the school website at <a href="https://www.olopprimary.co.uk">www.olopprimary.co.uk</a>, <a href="https://www.olopprimary.co.uk">Parents Information</a>, School Lunches.

#### **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.

#### **November Values Poster**

Please find attached to this newsletter the values poster for November. Thank you.

#### The Eve of All Saints Day—Night of Life!

On Wednesday 31st October we celebrated the Eve of All Saints Day (Night of Life)! Children came into school as a saint for the day or wore white to represent the Light of Jesus. The children looked wonderful as you can see from some of the pictures below. All money received (£374.20) will go towards new religious artefacts for the prayer tables in each class. Just in case you do not recognise the staff........

Mrs Woods is dressed as Saint Theresa and Mrs O'Keeffe as Mother Teresa. Thank you very much for all your support.





















#### **Tovs Needed**

The EYFS team are looking for toys and would really appreciate it if anyone has any of the following to donate to the school, that your children have grown out of. Dolls and dolls clothes, brio train sets, cars and small world toys such as space, farm, zoo etc. If this is something you have we would be grateful if you could bring to the Main reception area. Thank you.

#### **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 theme is Prince and Princess, if your child would like to take part in the parade on the evening of Thursday 6th December, parents need to accompany their child at all times.

#### Talk4Writing Topic—Year One

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, the year one staff and children decided to spend the morning in their pyjamas! As the start to their new talk4writing topic on poetry, the year one teachers transformed their classes into bedrooms, with comfy beds, toys and duvets. The blinds were closed and there was night time sounds playing in the background. The children were encouraged to use their imagination to explore their surroundings and more importantly decide what might be hiding under the bed............ A great time was had by all and nobody wanted to put their school uniform back on afterwards!





#### **Reminder: Parents Consultation Evenings**

The online booking system for Parents Consultation Meetings open at 9am Monday 29th October 2018. Please see below dates of meeting and dates of when the online booking closes:

Monday 5th November 2018—EYFS/KS1/Years 3 & 4 - online booking closes Friday 2nd November at 12pm.

**Tuesday 6th November 2018**—2RS only and Years 5 & 6—**online booking closes Friday 2nd November at 12pm.** 

**Tuesday 13th November 2018**—EYFS/KS1/Years 3 & 4—**online booking closes Friday 9th November at 12pm.** 

**Thursday 15th November 2018**—2RS only and Years 5 & 6—**online booking closes Friday 9th November at 12pm.** 

Please note the parents of children in 2RS **only** have their consultation meetings on the same days as Years 5 & 6. This will be held in the KS2 hall. Thank you.

#### Reminder: Watch

Has your child lost a watch? One has been found and handed into Reception. Any enquiries please see a member of the team at the Main Office. Thank you.

#### **FIRST 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 FINAL DATE FOR ENROLMENTS WILL BE SUNDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**, any latecomers after the final date will have to wait until 2020. Please contact Yvonne in the office to arrange an appointment to enrol your child, telephone 01628 605764, email: <a href="mailto:yvonnecaff@talktalk.net">yvonnecaff@talktalk.net</a> 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 appointment. The First Holy Communion classes will begin in January 2019 and will be held at St Andrew's on Saturday mornings. Thank you.

#### **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. Thank you.

#### **Positive of the Week**

The children looked amazing in their costumes celebrating the Eve of All Saints Day.

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

#### Please find attached the following communications and information

- ⇒ Church Bulletin
- **⇒** Lunch Menus
- ⇒ Values for Life November Poster
- ⇒ Nursery and Reception Planning

"Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you."

**Psalm:** 55:22

## KS2 Pupil of the Week

3MP St Clare	Olivia B	For working extremely hard this week producing exceptional examples of work.	
3RB St Peter	Benjamin U	For settling in very well and showing tremendous abilities in all subjects.	
3CK St John Bosco	Alexander K	For doing his best in all subjects.	
4RS St Columba	Nina S	For working really hard in all areas of the curriculum and for always being well behaved and polite.	
4BS St Blaise	Dylan C	For becoming an active member of the class.	
4KS St Paul	Avirah P	For good focus in lessons and for always being keen to share valuable knowledge in class discussions.	
5RR St Maximilian	Julia W	For her hard work in Maths and making huge progress.	
5KD St Ethelbert	Lexi K	For being an absolute pleasure to teach and for all her hard work and determination.	
5SS St Dunstan	Glenn E	For great improvement in his writing.	
6TH St Joseph	Reis K	For having an excellent approach to his work and for being thoughtful, hardworking and always showing enthusiasm in all that he does.	
6SP St Brigid	Louis B	For his excellent attitude in every aspect of school life and for always participating in class discussion.	
6JOK St Cuthbert	Oscar L	For consistently seeking to improve his work in all subjects and for being a great role model.	

# KS1 Star of the Week

1EH St Bernadette	Finley M	For his great contributions to class discussions during English lessons.	
10S St Jude	Elsie-Belle W	For being a role model for the rest of the class, and always trying her best with her work.	
1MB St Teresa	Chloe G	For being very enthusiastic and taking an active role during this week's Maths lessons.	
2CW St Christopher	Ava W	For working independently in maths to show her understanding of fact families.	
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Nicole K	For working so enthusiastically on her spelling and reading.	
2RS St Mary-Magdalene	Alexandra H	For being an excellent role model and supporting her peers in their learning.	

### 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

## <u>Useful Dates for Your Diary—2018</u>



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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's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
6/11/18	Parents Consultation Evening—KS2 Upper Years 5 & 6) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm
	Parents Consultation Evening—2RS St Mary Magdalene only—3.30pm to 6.30pm
7/11/18	Year 1 Phonic & Early Reading Workshop for parents at 9am - KS1 Hall
9/11/18	Year 5 St Dunstan and Year 1 St Jude Class Assemblies
13/11/18	Year 6 St Joseph's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
13/11/18	Parents Consultation Evening—EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Lower (Years 3 & 4) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm
15/11/18	Parents Consultation Evening—KS2 Upper (Years 5 & 6) - 3.30pm to 6.30pm
	Parents Consultation Evening—2RS St Mary Magdalene only—3.30pm to 6.30pm
6/11/18	Year 2 Trip to Windsor Castle—9.15am to 2.30pm
20/11/18	Year 6 St Cuthbert's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
21/11/18	Maths Information Evening for Years 3 & 4 at 6pm in KS2 Hall
22/11/18	Year 3 Fire Service Visit
23/11/18	Year 6 St Joseph's and Year 2 St Thomas-Moore Class Assemblies at 2.30pm
27/11/18	Year 5 St Maximillian to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
30/11/18	Year 4 St Columba's Class Assembly at 2.30pm in KS2 Hall

#### Attendance of the Week—(29th October—2nd November 2018)



Year band	<b>Percentage</b>
Nursery	90.2%
Reception	96.3%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	95.5%
Year 3	97.8%
Year 4	95.0%
Year 5	95.2%
Year 6	96.5%



Well Done Year 3! Whole School 95.9%

## KS1 Class of the Week is 2KS 100%

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

100%

Well done to 3MP who have achieved 100% 5 weeks in a row. You should all be very proud!

If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on <a href="mailto:attendance@olopprimary.co.uk">attendance@olopprimary.co.uk</a> 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.