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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,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It has been another busy week, the Year 3 children have had a visit from the fire service, which is always a memorable occasion. Today we have had a mufti day and a sponsored welly boot throw and Year 6 St Joseph celebrated their class assembly, the children performed beautifully and the assembly was enjoyed by both staff and parents.

Thank you for your continued support.

God Bless.

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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.

Mufti Day - bring a bottle

Thank you very much for all of the bottles we received this morning. We appreciate your generosity and support for the Christmas Stalls which will be held on **Friday 7th December from 3.30pm to 5.30pm**.

There will be a selection of stalls to enjoy at the event including a bottle tombola and cake sale. All money raised will go towards buying interactive whiteboards to help enhance the children's learning.

Friends of OLOP is a newly formed group hoping to raise money for the school. If anyone can volunteer their time or ideas please email <u>friends@olopprimary.co.uk</u>

Miss Goodyear

We are delighted to welcome back Miss Goodyear as of Monday 17th December 2018. She is returning from maternity leave. With effect from January 3rd 2019 she will be the class teacher for 3 St Peter, Miss Goodyear will also continue her role as Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion. I am sure you will join us in welcoming Miss Goodyear back to OLOP.

Parent Questionnaires

If you have not already done so, please would you complete a parent questionnaire and return to school by **Monday 3rd December.** Please see attached. Thank you.

Parents of children with Special Educational Needs

We will be holding our next SEN Parents Consultation Evening on **Monday 10th December at 3pm-5pm** - please keep this date free in your diaries.

Parents will be able to book a 10 minute slot with their child's class teacher. In this time, your child's Individual Provision Map for this term will be reviewed, and their new Individual Provision Map (IPM) will be discussed.

Please ensure you sign up using our online booking system. This booking system will be active from **Monday 3rd December**.

Parents/Carers of Children in Year Reception to Year 5

If your child missed out on the nasal flu vaccination at school, please contact us on **01753 636759** to book an appointment to attend our clinic at one of the above locations. In addition, as the clinic is a promotional event, families are very welcome/invited to pop down on the day to find out more about the flu vaccine. Finally, families may also qualify for a safe and well visit form the fire service who will be there on the day to discuss this.

The Berkshire Immunisation Team are holding a catch up clinic for the flu vaccination from a Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Vehicle on **Saturday 15th December 2018** in conjunction with Slough Borough Council at the following locations/times:

- 10am 12pm, Montem Leisure Centre (We will be located in the Ice Arena Car Park, SL1 2QG)
- 12.30 2.30pm, Asda Superstore, Cippenham Lane (We will be located in the Car Park, SL1 9LA)

Please see attached information.



Windsor Castle

On Friday the 16th November Year 2 went to Windsor Castle to learn about the different kings and queens who have lived there and to see for themselves the important features of the castle. We were so impressed by what a grand castle Windsor is and how lucky we are to have this most important landmark so close by. We walked around the queens apartments, had a lesson where we got to try on lots of royal clothes and also walked around St Georges Chapel where Prince Harry and Meghan Markle got married. We even met one of the queens guards. All of Year two were so well behaved and learnt lots. A fantastic day had by all.

























Free School Meals

Help your school and yourself - claim free school meals

Taking up free school meals has benefits for everyone:

- · children get a healthy nutritious meal
- \cdot schools can benefit directly by receiving £1300 for each eligible primary school child

FAMILIES ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS COULD SAVE MORE THAN £400 PER CHILD PER YEAR

Income Support

Income Based Jobseeker Allowance (IBJSA) Employment & Support Allowance (Income Related) (ESA(RI)) Support under part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 Child Tax Credit (TC602) that does not exceed income of £16190.00. Guarantee element of State Pension Credit (M1000 Award Notice) Universal Credit and my family's net income excluding any benefit related payments is less than £7,400.

WHO QUALIFIES FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals are offered to children of families who receive:

HOW TO APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

If you think you qualify for free school meals and have an email address or mobile number then you can apply through Slough Boroughs Councils online <u>free school meals form</u>. Slough Borough Council will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

If you do not have an email address or a mobile number then you can get a 'free school meals' application form from your child's/children's school. The school will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

Once you are eligible for free school meals, you are more likely to remain eligible for up to 2 years despite any changes to your circumstances.

Not claiming benefits, but have a child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

There are clear advantages in pupils having a school dinner, so the Government have announced that every child in the above year groups will be eligible for a free meal under the Universal Free School Meals scheme.

You can apply online or pick up a registration form from your child's school.



Reminder: 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 the theme is Prince and Princess, if your child would like to take part in the parade on the evening of Thursday 6th December, parents would need to accompany their child at all times. Please see more information on attached leaflet.

Reminder: 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. We have been in contact with the traffic police who will be patrolling the area.

Year 6 Visit to Church

Year 6 St Cuthbert had a trip to OLOP Church earlier this week. The children who attended displayed fantastic behaviour as mentioned by members of the public. They were very respectful and enjoyed joining the parishioners for Mass. They were an absolute credit to the school.

KS1 Maths Workshop

On Tuesday 20th November we held a Maths workshop about the KS1 curriculum for Maths and how parents can support their child at home. This will be repeated on Tuesday 4th December at 9am for those parents who would like to attend. The meeting is a presentation and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions at the end. The presentation can also be found on the school website at www.olopprimary.co.uk, **Parent Info, Parent Workshop**.

Year 3 & 4 Maths Information Evening

On Wednesday 21st November we held a Maths information evening where we looked at the maths topics coverage in Years 3 and 4 and the methods of how we teach maths in class. The methods will enable parents to know how to support their child at home. Hand-outs are available at Main Reception if you are interested but were unable to attend. The presentation can also be found on the school website at www.olopprimary.co.uk, **Parent Info, Parent Workshop**.

Visit from the Emergency services.

On Thursday 22nd November Year 3 were delighted to receive a visit from the Fire brigade based in Slough. We listened carefully to one of the fire-fighters, who explained the range of tasks they performed and how they help rescue people and animals.

Mr Piper offered to wear the fire-fighters' protective clothing. The children thought he would make a very good fireman! We also had the opportunity to see the fire engine with all its gadgets and resources to fight fires and help the fire fighters to do their job with efficiency. The children asked a range of good questions and answered questions posed by the fireman.







Reminder: Homework Booklets

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

Positive of the Week

The Year 6 children were so well behaved at Our Lady of Peace Church at the Mass on Tuesday 20th November.

We welcome your positive comment Thank you!

Please find attached the following communications and information

- \Rightarrow Church Bulletin
- \Rightarrow Lions Club of Burnham Leaflet
- \Rightarrow Flu Leaflet
- \Rightarrow KS1 Maths Workshop Information
- ⇒ Year 3 & 4 Maths Workshop Information



"Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked."

Psalm: 84:10





3MP St Clare	Oliver B	For listening to all instructions, completing his work to the best of his ability and being a joy to teach.
3RB St Peter	Ugochukwu E	For showing great progress in Maths this term.
3CK St John Bosco	Acksel S	For consistently working hard in all subjects and for making very good progress.
4RS St Columba	Demi A	For improving her handwriting, always being polite and being a friendly member of the class.
4BS St Blaise	Jayden E	For his amazing effort in lessons particularly in maths with multiplication and dividing.
4KS St Paul	Jenil P	For working hard in maths and answering his reasoning questions in detail.
5RR St Maximilian	Declan E	For displaying amazing perseverance, determination and motivation this week.
5KD St Ethelbert	Lucy W	For having a much more positive attitude towards learning and for not being afraid to tackle more challenging questions.
5SS St Dunstan	Mia R	For improved focus and great contribution in maths lessons.
6TH St Joseph	Kacper C	For working really hard on his writing this week. He has written some lovely, descriptive sentences using nouns, adjectives and verbs.
6SP St Brigid	Maiya L	For being enthusiastic in everything she does and always willing and ready to learn.
6JOK St Cuthbert	Natalie K	For contributing well to class discussions and for always trying her best in all that she does.

Well done to you all!



1EH St Bernadette	Alexej B	For his positive attitude in all areas of learning.
10S St Jude	Lena W	For working enthusiastically and independently on her work.
1MB St Teresa	Kiera J	For making a great progress in Maths and English.
2CW St Christopher	Eshal J	For always trying her best in all areas of learning and beginning to contribute her ideas in class dis- cussions.
2KS St Thomas-Moore	Roxi H	For asking excellent questions on our Windsor Castle trip and really trying hard to be more responsible.
2LC St Mary-Magdalene	Michael G	For his humour, hard work and confidence in showing his character.

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



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
04/12/18	Year 5 St Dunstan to Mass at OLOP Church
04/12/18	Carol Concert organised by Rotary Club of Burnham Beeches at 7.30pm to be held at St Peter's Parish Church Burnham
4/12/18	Year 1 & 2 Maths Workshop in KS1 Hall at 9am
05/12/18	AM Nursery Christmas Concert at 11am
05/12/18	PM Nursery Christmas Concert at 2.30pm
07/12/18	Santa's Grotto in Hagrid's Hut and Stalls at 3.30pm to 5.30pm
10/12/18	Year 4 Christmas Production to parents—Pictures of a Christmas World at 2pm
10/12/18	SEN Parents Consultation Meeting at 3.30pm to 5pm
11/12/18	Year 5 St Ethelbert's to Mass at OLOP Church at 9.30am
11/12/18	Year 3 Christmas Carols to parents at 2pm
12/12/18	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Lunch
13/12/18	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Lunch
14/12/18	Christmas Hat/Jumper Day
14/12/18	Reception Nativity to parents at 2.15pm to 3pm
14/12/18	Panto at Windsor Theatre (Evening Event)
17/12/18	Year 1 Christmas Choir for parents at 2.30 to 3pm
18/12/18	KS1 Christmas lunch
18/12/18	End of Term for Nursery Children
19/12/18	End of Term—School Closes at 1.15pm

<u>Attendance of the Week—(19th November —23rd November 2018)</u>



<u>Year band</u>	Percentage
Nursery	89.7%
Reception	94.2%
Year 1	93.6%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3	94.2%
Year 4	96.5%
Year 5	97.8%
Year 6	95.4%



Well Done Year 5! Whole School 96.1%

KS1 Class of the Week is 2KS

97.9%

KS2 Class of the Week is 4BS 99.3%

If your child is absent please email the Attendance officer on <u>attendance@olopprimary.co.uk</u> 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.