



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

*"A place of learning – A community of Christ"*

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26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents,

We are in the penultimate week of term and thankfully home learning seems like a distant memory. As we move into the next stage of the lockdown roadmap on Monday, we are once again permitted to be in groups of six outside so wearing masks at pick up and drop off time will no longer be compulsory. This does however rely on parents not being in groups of more than six and ensuring they socially distance from each other. I would, however, ask parents to stop their children using playground equipment before and after school until after Easter as this always results in a lot of people staying on site.

This week, the children have been taking part in the Way of the Cross around the school grounds. I hope they have shown you some of the stations as you have been picking them up. It has been lovely to have the children physically move between stations and great to see how respectful they have all been. Next week, Father Alessandro will be coming in for some class liturgies based on **Born for This** a moving and powerful depiction of the Stations of the Cross in words, music, and drama. We are hoping to video the dramas and share them on the YouTube channel. So watch this space! If you would like to know more about Born for This then you can look on the CJM Website:


[Born for This | CJM MUSIC](#)

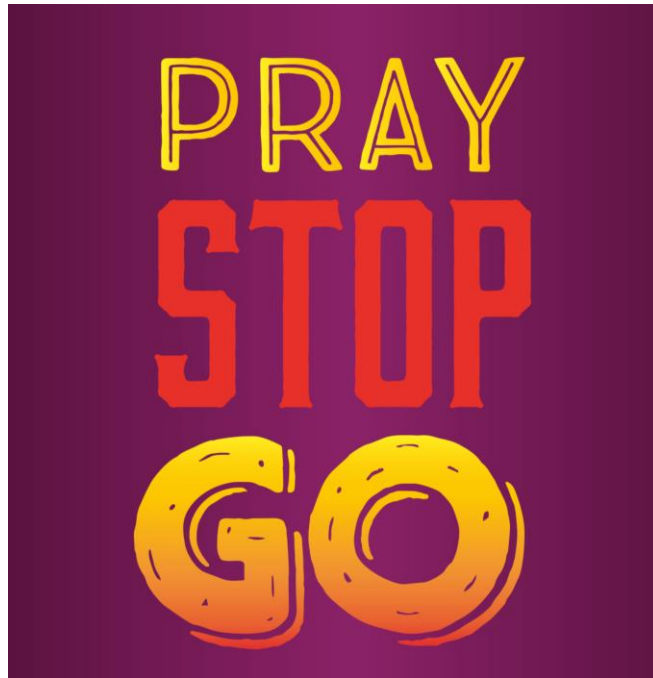
You can also find the music on many streaming sites such as Spotify.

Finally, you will have seen some new fencing being erected between the car park and the school house. This is to make more of the school site secure allowing the children to use the area of the school with the Flower Meadow and Vegetable Plot which Chiltern Forest Rangers are helping us develop. Over the next few weeks, we are also getting a new automated system for the gates. This will eliminate the need for an old log to hold open the gate. I will be happily burning that log on an open fire at home over Easter.

Have a great weekend.

God bless,

M. Hold 



### **OLS Parliament**

Dear parents or guardians,

The OLS outreach committee have organised an Easter egg hunt next Thursday. It will cost 50p to let your child participate.

If your child cannot have dairy, they will be given a lollypop.



From the outreach committee

### **Life to the Full**

Over the last couple of weeks all the children have had lessons from our new PSHRE scheme. Normally these would be spread across the term and cramming them in at the end of term isn't ideal. However, we felt that this was a subject that we needed to teach face-to-face and not remotely. If you have any questions about the scheme please don't hesitate to ask. You can find a link to the parent portal on our website.

**[PSHRE | Our Lady's Catholic Primary School \(olschesham.co.uk\)](http://olschesham.co.uk)**

## **Job Opportunity – St Aidan’s Parish**

**Parish Secretary**  
**St Aidan’s Little Chalfont**  
**Part Time 12 hours per week**  
**Start date: 26th April or as soon as possible thereafter**

*We are currently recruiting for a Parish Secretary for the parish of St Aidan’s Little Chalfont. The role will be for 12 hours per week, working pattern to be agreed.*

*This is a great opportunity to work in a parish environment for someone with proven administration/secretarial experience.*

*Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> or via email [hadmin@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:hadmin@northamptondiocese.com)*

*Applications should include an Application Form, CV and covering Letter.*

*The closing date for applications will be Thursday 1st April and interviews will take place via Zoom during week commencing 5th April.*

# NSPCC

## **Keeping Your Child Safe Online**

This week I thought I’d share with you an article by the NSPCC about using the parental controls that are available on a wide range of technology. There is a fine balance between allowing our children online so they can learn to use the technology and learn to keep themselves safe but at the same time have some sort of controls until they are ready to be “let completely loose”

[Use Parental Controls to Keep Your Child Safe | NSPCC](#)

## **Stationery**

Please could we remind parents that the children need their own equipment including scissors, glue stick etc. Everything they need is for sale in the stationery shop which the Year 6 children are running. We are encouraging the children right from Year 1 to bring in the money as it is a very small amount and it is good for them to take responsibility.

## Good News Certificates



Last week's good news certificates went to the following children:

Year 1	Erica & Olive
Year 2	Alma & Zuzanna
Year 3	Leo & Sabrina
Year 4	Tue Nhi & Lily
Year 5	Zara & Kaitlyn
Year 6	Achille & Sadie

Well done everyone.

## Top Doodlers

The top 3 classes for earning stars over the last week on the Doodle Apps are:

	DoodleMaths		DoodleTimesTable		DoodleEnglish		DoodleSpell	
<b>Gold</b>	Year 3	1710	Year 3	158	Year 5	150	Year 5	275
<b>Silver</b>	Year 4	1162	Year 4	141	Year 4	149	Year 2	249
<b>Bronze</b>	Year 5	990	Year 2	114	Year 3	141	Year 3	138

## Accelerated Reader

Top readers this term

	Words Read
<b>Year 5</b>	5, 264, 081
<b>Year 6</b>	4, 680, 222
<b>Year 4</b>	3, 847,097
<b>Year 3</b>	1, 574,258

Children who are reading above their target and have scored above 85% in the quizzes:

### Year 3

Marieke  
Matilda  
James  
Ava

### Year 4

Wiktor  
Finlay  
Louis  
Florence  
Lucy  
Harry  
Amelia  
Jack  
Ula

### Year 5

Abigail  
Ruby  
Mary  
Florence  
Valeria  
Callen

### Year 6

Peter  
Louis  
Fintan  
Malachi  
Aidan S