



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

30th April 2021

Dear Parents,


We have had a lovely week in school. The children have really enjoyed having and handling the chicks. It has been an absolutely lovely sign of new life for Easter. Unfortunately, they had to go to their new home today which may well give the children an idea of how the disciples felt on the day of Ascension. I have been under a lot of pressure to keep the chickens for the school however, I know they take quite a bit of looking after. However, never say never and it might be something I could be persuaded of in the future.

The real highlight of the week was our Kick Back, Relax and Read day organised by the Education Committee yesterday. What a brilliant idea. We are so busy pushing our children with their reading and trying to make sure they are challenging themselves, we can forget that reading is meant to be fun. It is something we can do to relax. The children seemed to really enjoy the day and I hope we get the chance to have another initiative from the Education Committee soon.

Finally, I hope the children have enjoyed the school clubs starting back again. It has been a long time coming and really feels like another step forward to normality. The children have made such sacrifices and it is lovely to see them getting what they deserve - a complete extended curriculum.

Have a lovely long weekend

God bless,

M. Hold 



MAT Consultation

This week you will have received a letter from Mr Elson the chair of governors inviting you to a meeting next week as part of our consultation about joining the St Thomas Catholic Academy Trust.

If you would like more information about the academy trust we have a page on our website with frequently asked questions and a video from Joe Richardson the Senior Executive Lead of the Trust.

I am confident that this is a really positive thing for Our Lady's School and I am excited about the journey we have ahead of us over the next few years. There are going to be plenty of opportunities for us to grow, develop and influence Catholic education across the Diocese.

[Consultation on Academy Conversion | Our Lady's Catholic Primary School \(olschesham.co.uk\)](http://olschesham.co.uk)

Congratulations to the Dodds

A massive congratulations to Sharon and Sam Dodd on their new addition Gabriel George Dodd who was born on Tuesday evening. The girls are ever so excited and it is great seeing the OLS family continuing to grow.



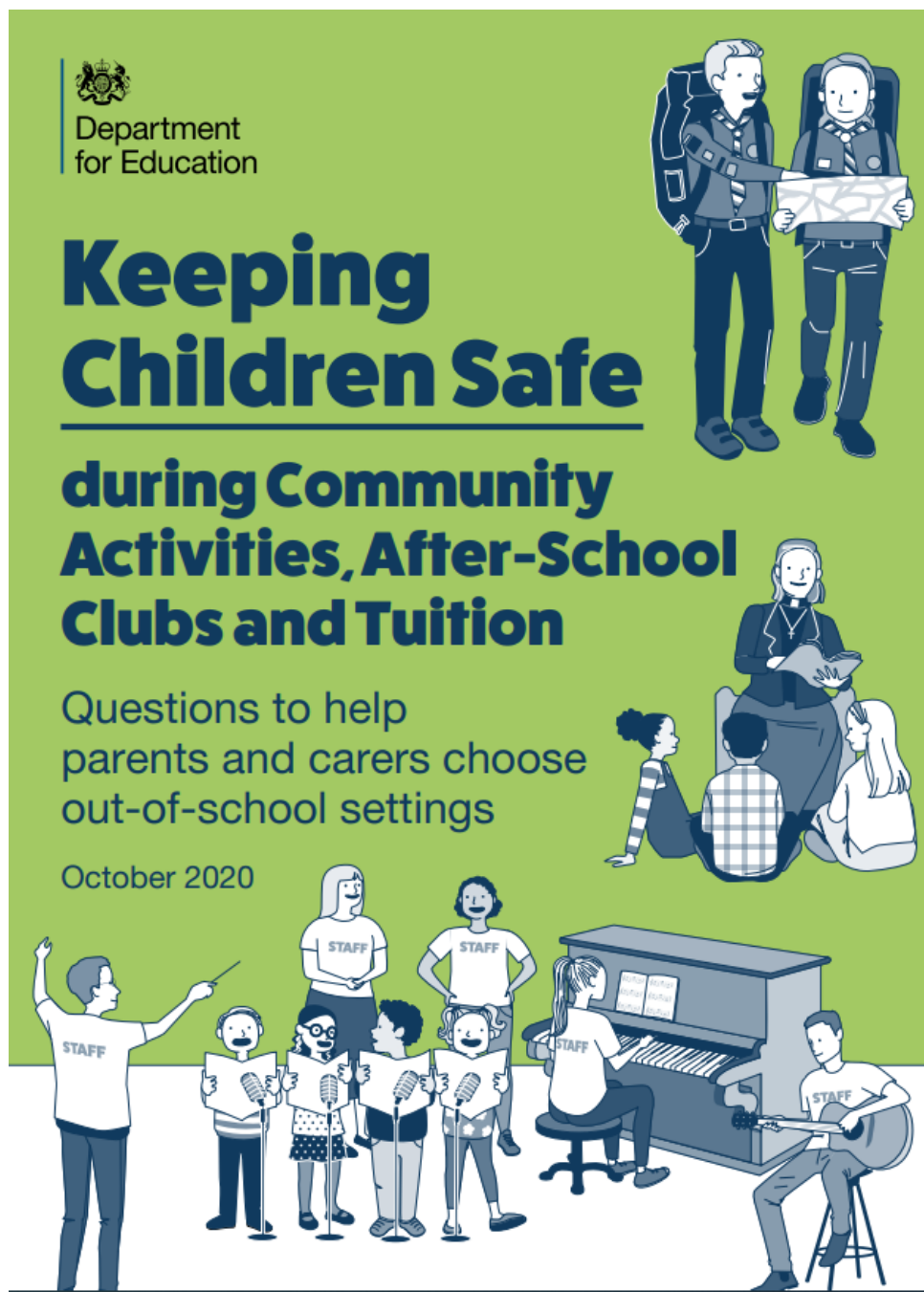
Class photos

Please remember that next Tuesday we will be having class photos. The children usually look smart but please make sure they look extra smart on that day.

Safeguarding

The DFE have produced a useful leaflet for parents choosing activities in the community. It helps them choose safe out-of-school settings for their children to attend.

[Keeping Children Safe: Parental Guidance \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk)





Good News Certificates

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

Year 1	Giovanni & Elizabeth
Year 2	Behtin & Leonardo C
Year 3	Safaa & Luna
Year 4	Thomas & Eva
Year 5	Jessica J & Jimi
Year 6	Aiden B & Joshua

Well done everyone.

Accelerated Reader

Top readers this term

	Words Read
Year 6	2, 596, 178 words
Year 5	1, 411, 785 words
Year 4	471, 659 words
Year 3	502, 451 words

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

Year 3

Xavier
Ellie
Alasdair
Hannah

Year 4

Lucy
Alex
Tue Nhi
Matthew

Year 5

Buddy
Charlie
Abigail
Zara
Florence
Valeria

Year 6

Sarah
Olivia
Maria
Gabriel
Louis
Fintan
Malachi
Kimberly