



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

9th July 2021

Dear Parents,

This week has been great. The Year 6 production "Pirates of the Curry Bean" was absolutely fantastic. It was so lovely to see their confidence grow over the last few weeks and then to see them really enjoy themselves. I am so pleased they got to do it in front of an audience as there really is nothing like the adrenaline rush you get from performing live. For some, this will be the only time they ever experience it. The children were amazing. I cannot remember a class with so many really talented actors and actresses. There are children in that class who just come to life on the stage.


This has been followed by a great sports day today. Once again it was wonderful to have parents there, even if it was a limited amount. The children seemed to really enjoy the events and it was good to see everyone competing.

I would like to thank all the staff as there are so many involved in these sorts of events. They continue to work tirelessly to ensure that school is as normal as possible for your children. Many schools are not allowing parents to events at all and I will be eternally grateful, as I know they would be quite within their rights to be much more cautious; they continue to put our children before themselves.

Finally, we had some fantastic news this week that Mr and Mrs Weatherill had their first child, Lucy Weatherill, on Tuesday. This is fantastic news and we wish him all the best with his new family.

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

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Welcoming another new baby to OLS

It is always great news when we have additions to our community and Lucy Weatherill isn't the only new baby. Here is a picture of Sabrina and her new baby sister Iarina Ioana. A very exciting summer ahead I imagine!!!!



Summer Term – Planned Events

Reception Nativity – 12th July 9.30am - I did promise that we would do this in July if we could as it is a once in a lifetime event. I am delighted that we can go ahead in the same way as the Year 6 production. Each family will be able to have one person in the audience.

Leavers Mass – 14th July 2pm – Our Lady’s Church – Father Roy has invited us to have this in Our Lady’s church. Because the children can sit together and we are only having one class it will leave plenty of room in the church for parents to socially distance. Parents will need to wear masks.

End of Year Assessment Summary

Over the last half term, all the children from Year 1 to Year 6 have done their end of year assessments. These will be reflected in the children’s reports and the Key Stage children will have predicted end of Year 6 scaled scores. The children have done incredibly well despite school closures. They are still attaining well above the national averages in non-pandemic (more normal) years. Here is a summary:

	Reading Expected +	Reading Greater Depth	Maths Expected +	Maths Greater Depth	SPAG Expected +	SPAG Greater Depth
OLS - Current	93%	47%	93%	39%	87%	47%
National – non pandemic year	80%	32%	79%	27%	79%	31%

This is a testament to the work we have done not only in school but also the work you have done as parents. As I said when we came out of lockdown, don’t panic because the children will catch up. The important thing has been to get everyone through this period. Hopefully we will have a completely normal year next year so that we can “kick on”.

Governor’s Questionnaire

It is the time of year again when the school governors are looking for stakeholders feedback. They are looking for feedback from pupils, staff and parents so that we can continue to plan school improvement and deliver the very best education possible to your children. Please see below the link to the parent questionnaire for you to complete.

Thank you

Parent survey: <https://forms.office.com/r/s4YhAXyF1f>

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Nuala and Lucy who received their First Holy Communion last Sunday. It is such a special day and I am sure you will all agree they look absolutely lovely in their dresses. I am sure they had a great party afterwards.



Dance World Cup

Alina O'Donnell (Y4) will be competing at the Dance World Cup this August in Telford, England. Together with other children from her dance school, Allstars Academy, she will join Team England and compete in the category Children Large Group Song & Dance. We wish her the best of luck for this exciting opportunity.

Last Week of Term

Please remember that next week is the last week of term so there are no extra-curricular clubs and we finish at 1.30pm on Friday. Thank you

Accelerated Reader

Top readers this term

	Words Read
Year 5	7,141,130 words
Year 4	5,179,109 words
Year 6	4,218,748 words
Year 3	3,224,989 words

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

Year 3

Pierce
Edward
Tosia
Ellie
Matilda
Kome
Lena
Stella
Sabrina
Harry
Luna
Alasdair

Finlay
Lily
Louis
Lucy
Cliff
Thomas
Alex
Esther
Ula

Year 5

Buddy
Charlie
Abigail
Ruby
Jessica
Florence
Valeria
George

Callen

Year 6

Sarah
Olivia
Maria
Gabriel
Louis
Malachi
Kimberly
Aidan S
Aoife
Lucy

Year 4

Harry
Wiktor