



11th September 2026

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of our first full week, it feels as though we have never been away. I was delighted to show a number of prospective parents around the school this morning and was so proud of what they saw. There was a wonderful atmosphere throughout the building. Every class was settled, and the children were fully engaged in their learning.

Some schools carefully choose open days to showcase their strengths, but it is a privilege to lead a school where I am confident that visitors will be impressed whenever they walk through our doors. The high standards, positive attitudes and enthusiasm for learning that our children demonstrate each day speak for themselves.

This year, I have also introduced a weekly Friday book check, where I ask one child from each class to bring me all of their books so that I can see what they have been learning and the progress they are making. It is a valuable way for me to ensure that the highest standards are maintained across the school. I was incredibly impressed this afternoon by the quantity and quality of work already evident in the children's books. In previous years, we have operated a two-week induction period, but we decided to move away from this approach and start learning straight away. Our teachers have certainly started as they mean to go on, and it is already making a noticeable difference.

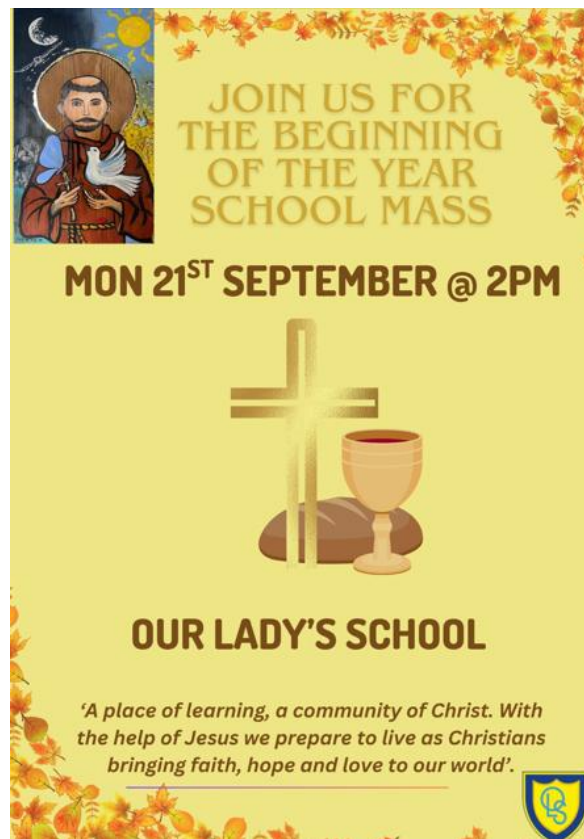
Finally, there are several exciting events coming up over the next few weeks. I look forward to seeing many of our new Reception families at the PTA New Starters' Barbecue. We also have our Meet the Teacher Evening for Years 1 to 6 on 22 September and our Beginning of Year Mass on 21 September. I hope to see as

many of you as possible at these important events as we come together to celebrate the start of another successful school year.

God bless,

M. Holdsworth

Mr Holdsworth



## Smartphone Free School

A reminder that, as of September, we have become a smartphone-free school. In practice, this mainly affects Year 6 children who walk to and from school independently. They do not generally need a smartphone for this purpose, but if you feel your child needs a mobile phone, you can find information about brick phones on this website.

**Let's reclaim  
childhood** ⚡

## Smartphone Free Childhood

The most important thing to teach children is the importance of arriving where they are expected to be, on time. If they do not arrive as expected and nobody knows where they are, adults may become concerned and may need to involve the police to make sure they are safe.

## Meet The Teacher



## Extra-curricular Clubs



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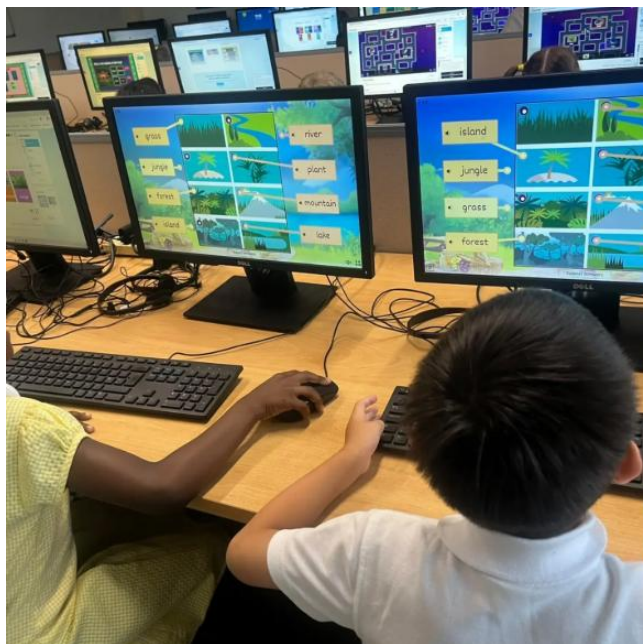
 **olscheshambois** Recognising numbers and amounts in Year 1 #OLSMaths #OLSYear1  
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 **olscheshambois** ...

 **olscheshambois** Year 2 have made a great start on their science topic 'Local Habitats'. They had great fun sorting objects we found around the outside of school into alive, once alive and never lived. #OLSScience #OLSYear2  
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**olscheshambois** Taking a ride on our Year 1 bus . Introducing our class book. Naughty Bus ! #OLSLiteracy #OLSTYear1 @theliteracytree #  
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**matthew782051** Lucky children attending such a fantastic school  
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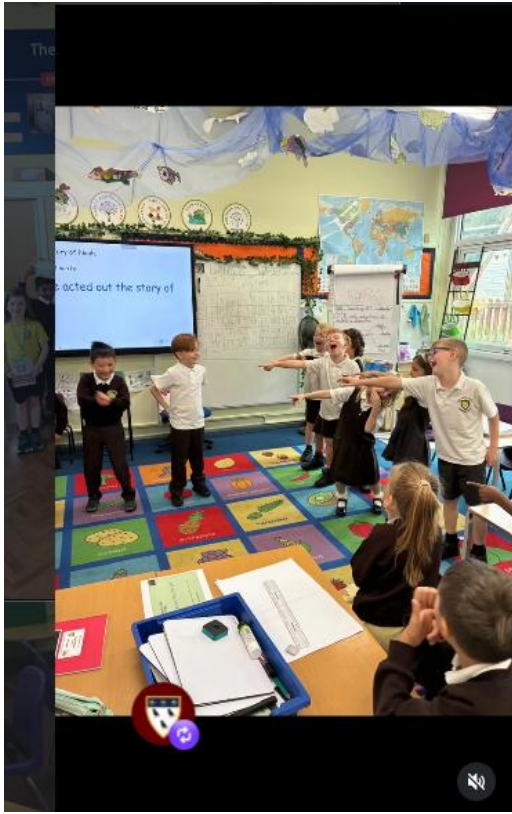


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olscheshambois Year Two acted out the story of Noah in RE today! #OLSreligiouseducation #OLSYear2  
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