



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

Faith . Hope . Love

13th October 2023

Dear Parents,

We started this week with some beautiful weather. Things always seem a lot easier when the sun is shining but let's not forget to be grateful, even when it's raining.

There have been several sports festivals this week with a cross country team competing in Amersham on Tuesday and Year 5 taking part in a Netball festival on Wednesday. It was lovely to hear from Mrs Wilcox at Amersham school about how much she loves having our children at the festivals because they are always immaculately behaved. It is really important that we teach the children to be competitive, but also to learn respect for the other competitors. Sport has so many benefits but the most important thing is that it is fun.

For the last couple of days, Mrs Cid-Fuentes has been away at a Deputy Head formation programme called Tabor. It is a national program run by Educare, who I have been involved with for many years. Educare is where the seed for #OLSBUILDINGTHEKINGDOM came from as well as many other initiatives particularly to do with the Catholic Life of the school. It is really important that, as a school, we invest in the spiritual development of the staff so that they will be more fruitful in developing your children's spirituality. I know as part of the program Mrs Cid-Fuentes has to run a project in school and I look forward to hearing lots of ideas.

Finally, I look forward to seeing many of you at Mass at St Columba's on Sunday. I know Federica has been working with some children to take part. Hopefully, England will have won the rugby by then as I know Sunday's Gospel is about a party.

Have a lovely weekend,

God bless,

M. Howarth

Reading

It was lovely to see so many Year 1 parents at our Phonics and Reading information evening on Wednesday. Reading is such a gift and it is so important that we remember you, the parents, are the primary educators. We just facilitate. For parents who couldn't make it the information is on our website:

[Reading & Phonics - Our Lady's Catholic Primary School \(olschesham.co.uk\)](http://olschesham.co.uk)

I'm sure nobody needs a reminder about how important reading every day is but have a look at these statistics. They are quite astonishing.



St Columba's Youth Mass

This Sunday, 15th October, there is a Youth Mass at 6pm at St Columba's church. Everybody is welcome and I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Ten-Ten Resources

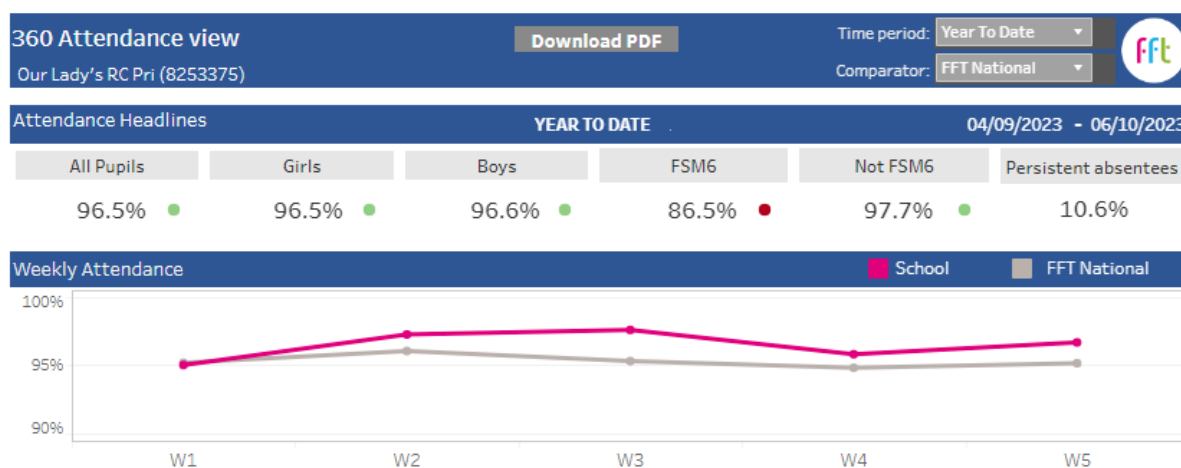
October 2023

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary with the celebration of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. As an important feast in the Church calendar, it's a great opportunity for schools to pray the Rosary. We'd like to support and encourage families to pray the Rosary together too, and therefore, we have made available a simple Rosary resource which can be accessed through the Collective Worship Parent Portal.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>

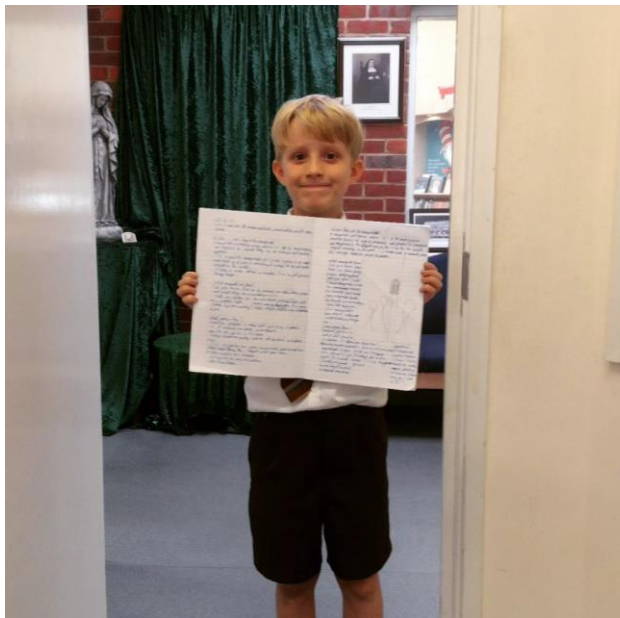
As usual, this newsletter shares a glimpse of some of the prayer and liturgy resources that children will experience at school during this month. We hope this resource will be a useful addition to your family prayer time.

Attendance and Punctuality



@OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:





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 **olscheshambois** Well done to the cross country team. A great day out at Amersham #OLSport
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 **olscheshambois** ...


 **olscheshambois** This morning Year 2 had a drama workshop about Rosa Parks and Nelson Mandela. We have started using a new history scheme which we hope will make our history a lot more diverse. #OLShistory #OLSBUILDINGTHEKINGDOM
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 **laura.kriesel** Fantastic!
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#OLScience
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Good News Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Layla, Rueben
Year 2	Francesca, Rory
Year 3	Eloise, James
Year 4	Olive, Arthur
Year 5	Lola, Dominik, Louie
Year 6	Jake, Ethan

Accelerated Reader

Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes

Year 3

Logan
Renske
Michael F
Misha
Hansini
Xavier
Steve

Wanda
Elodie
Finley H
Charlie K
Michael M
Robert
Zuzanna

Year 4

Tamsin
Sienna-Rose
Eleanor
Jacob
Thomas
Olive

Year 6

Sherlyn
Karamo
Ellie
Kome
Grace
Jordan
James
Alaia
Matylda
Hannah
Franek

Year 5

Archie
Ralph
Ivor