



14th November 2025

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see most of you at Parent's Evening this week. This gave you the chance to discuss how the children have started this year but from what I'm seeing in the classrooms you should be really pleased.

During the meeting, teachers will have shared with you lots of information. You should have received:

Key Stage 2	Key Stage 1	Reception
NGRT Reading Result	NGRT Reading Result (Year 2 only)	Example Phonics Letter
NGST Spelling Result	Phonics Letter (Year 1 only)	
List of Accelerated Reader Books Read	Last Years Report	
Last Years Report		

The teachers will have also talked you through your child's Homework Diary (Key Stage 2) or Reading Record (Key Stage 1). This is to ensure we are working together to ensure the children are reading regularly. **Thank you for all your support. Please don't underestimate the impact you have listening to your child read regularly and then monitoring their reading once they are totally independent.**

Have a great weekend,

Mr Holdsworth

From Our Desks to Yours

This week's pupil news has been written by **Erin and Emilio** in **Year 6** featuring last Saturday's cross country and the school foodbank donations.

Cross Country

If you think it was a normal Saturday morning, at Hervine's Park in Amersham - it wasn't! There were many participants there. Over 350 school children from Bucks' aged between 7 and 11. Here are some highlights from Our Lady's!

Zoe in Year 4 came 3rd.
Juno in Year 4 came 5th.

The year 4 girls' team missed out on third place by 1 point
- they ran their socks off!

Jacob in Year 6 came 7th.

Well done everyone! The course was tricky for some with a steep hill right at the end. But most importantly, we had lots of runners running for the first time, who did a fantastic job.



Minnie Vinnie's Food Bank

The Minnie Vinnie food bank has started. The Year 5 committee have put together a food bank. Make sure to remember to bring things such as dried fruits, long life milk, pasta, rice and other things that can be stored for a long time.

The Minnie Vinnies are running it for 3 weeks' and will collect all the food every day from nine o'clock. Thank you to everyone for your support.

Parking



Just a quick reminder, please avoid parking over driveways when picking up. It is really important for the reputation of the school that we park considerately in the local area.

Thank you
Mr Holdsworth

Attendance

At Our Lady's, we know the importance of education, and **we love our children too much** to let them miss a day of school unless they are really unwell.

What YOU must do:

- Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.
- Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.
- If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.
- Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.
- If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

- Check your child's attendance every day.
- Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.
- If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

Accelerated Reader

The children who are already above their target and are higher than 85% in their quizzes are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Aariv	Jessica	Sofia	Keera	Tamsin
Theresa	Joseph	Evie	Alyssa	Sienna-Rose
Mayra	Laiza	Arthur	Chloe	Evie
Manny	Alex	Rory	James	Donnie
Margot	Rex	Ruby	Szymon	Dominic
Freddie	Oliver	Josephine	Michael F	Elizabeth
Bettie	Rory	Ann	Cuthbert	Rory
Gaia	Charlie	Juno	Mason	Simeon
	Noelia	Elena	Misha	AJ
	Isaac	Francesca	Victoria	Eleanor
	Varun	Thomas	Hansini	Jude
	Robyn	Allison	Cat Cat	Arthur
	Harvey	Roberto	Julia	Jacob
	Tosia	Zoe	Elise	Erica
		Zachary	Xavier	Aliza
		Arthur	Antra	Florence
		Ralph	Annie	Erin
		Niamh	Klara	Olive
		Olivia	Hanna	Divine
		Caolan	Nikolay	Hugo
		Eugenie	Minchun	
		Martha		
		Genevieve		
		Peregrine		
		Martha		
		Jan		
		Nathan		

Gratitude Assembly Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Ambrose, John-William, Stefan
Year 2	Joseph P, Peter
Year 3	Cian, Santana
Year 4	Daisy, Jan
Year 5	Hanna, Klara
Year 6	Florence, Rory

Pen Certificate – Arthur B Year 4

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Youth Masses

ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: FrMirek.misiura@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Masses @ 9 am (children's liturgy) & 6 pm (Youth Band/ Choir)

Polish Mass @ 12 noon (1st & 3rd Sunday of the month)

YOUTH MASS at St Columba's on Sunday 23rd November at 6pm

MUSIC PRACTICE on Saturday 22nd November in church at 5-6pm followed by **YOUTH CLUB** at 6-7pm in the church hall.

For catering purposes, please email Federica (federica@olschesham.co.uk) if your child is planning to attend the Youth Club.

IHM – Great Missenden

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: FrMirek.misiura@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Mass @ 11 am (with children's liturgy), followed by refreshments in the hall.

Polish Mass @ 12.15pm (2nd & 4th Sunday of the month)

YOUTH MASS at IHM on Sunday 23rd Nov at 11am followed by refreshments in the hall.

Our Lady's and St Aidan's parishes

Priest: Father Roy

Mass times:

Our Lady's - Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am (with children's liturgy and a choir for children in Year 3 and above - all welcome to come and sing, and there's a brief practice after Mass)

For those of you with younger children, OLOPS Toddler Group runs in the guildroom at the back of Our Lady's Church on Fridays in term time for children aged 0-4 and their parent or carer. We have lots of toys to play with and always finish with a snack and singing. The official timing is 9:15 to 10:30, but you are welcome to come earlier if you're at a loose end after dropping your older child off at school.

St Aidan's - Saturday 6:15 pm; Sunday 9 am (Polish Mass) and 11 am