



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

*"A place of learning – A community of Christ"*

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14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see so many of you at the PTA coffee morning today. And it was particularly nice to see all the younger siblings who I know are going to be the future of this school.


The children have continued to work really hard. They have settled into their year groups so well that they probably can't even remember what it was like last year. It is really important that we make the most of this first term when the children really do make the most progress. Next week is assessment week so we should have some up-to-date information on how your children are getting on for parent's evening after half term.

On Monday, year 6 had a very exciting Bake Off. They had great fun and were very pleased with their results. I do hope some of the produce got home for their parents to have a try. I am really looking forward to the showstopper where I get to try all of their creations.

Also this week, the faith ambassadors had their first prayer group of the year. This is a voluntary group, planned for and led by the children. Last week, it was lovely to see two Our Lady's children leading a talk to parents in the chapel at St Joan of Arc all about the school's prayer life. Well we certainly are sending them a steady flow of young people with really strong spirituality and faith.

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

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## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mrs and Mr Lally who are expecting their first baby after Christmas. It is great news for them but also for us as a school community. A new life is always amazing and I know the children are going to love to hear about his or her journey in the next few years.

We are currently recruiting for someone to take on Mrs Lally's teaching commitment for a couple of terms after Christmas. I am meeting someone next week but as you can imagine, I have to make sure they can meet our high standards. Hopefully, I will be able to provide parents with an update after half term.

However, in the meantime if you know of any teachers who want a couple of terms work then please direct them to our advert which you can find by following this link.

[Job Adverts & Applicants \(mynewterm.com\)](http://mynewterm.com)

## **Safeguarding - Attendance**

This week, as part of my safeguarding messaging, I am just reminding parents about attendance. All the evidence is that children who are more vulnerable tend to have poorer attendance, which is why we are required to monitor it so carefully. The table below shows how many lessons children miss even if they have relatively good attendance. We normally start getting concerned if your child's attendance drops below 90% but as you can see they will already have missed 100 lessons.

<b>If your child's attendance during the school year is .....</b>	<b>Your child would have lost approximately .....</b>	<b>Or they would have missed approximately .....</b>
<b>95%</b>	<b>9 days</b>	<b>50 lessons</b>
<b>90%</b>	<b>19 days</b>	<b>100 lessons</b>
<b>85%</b>	<b>29 days</b>	<b>150 lessons</b>
<b>80%</b>	<b>38 days</b>	<b>200 lessons</b>
<b>75%</b>	<b>48 days</b>	<b>250 lessons</b>
<b>70%</b>	<b>57 days</b>	<b>290 lessons</b>

It is really important, as parents, to remember that children never get those lessons back. Every time they are off they are disadvantaged compared to their peers, so they should only be absent if it is completely unavoidable.

## Good News Certificates



Last week's Good News certificates were:

Year 1	Zoe, Juno, Evie
Year 2	Klara, Cuthbert
Year 3	Andrew James, Rory
Year 4	Ralph, Liam
Year 5	Marieke, Emilio
Year 6	Eryk, Ewan

## **A Message from Ten Ten Resources October 2022**

September saw upheaval on a national scale: from the change of Prime Minister to the death of Queen Elizabeth II, to the ongoing cost of living crisis. Times of upheaval and uncertainty are understandably difficult and can take their toll on us physically, mentally and emotionally. But as Christians, we can be grateful for and find comfort in the constancy of God's love and provision.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout October and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope and pray that, whatever is going on for you and your family at the moment, these resources will inspire you and your family to look to God.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>


Thank you to everybody who has made an extra effort with their parking this week. It is nice to get through the week without any complaints from the local residents.

## @OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:




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 olscheshambois Year 5 away to Holmer Green this evening  
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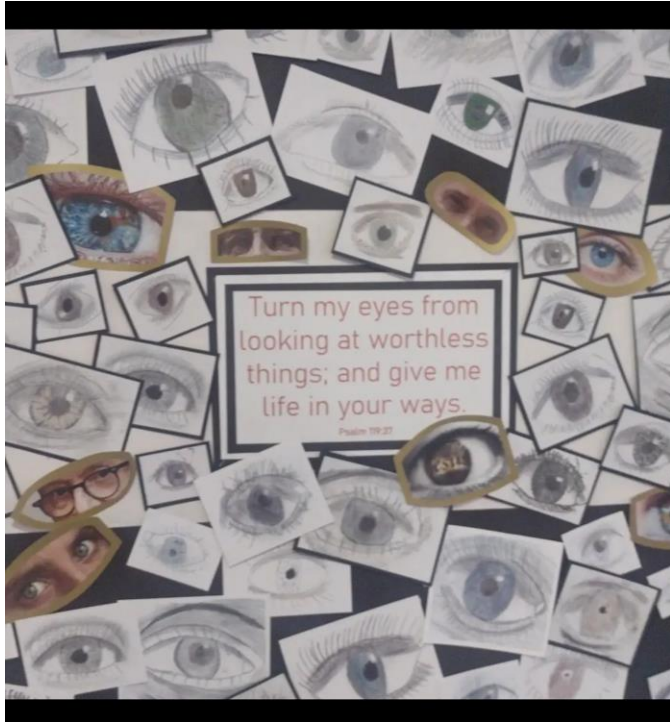


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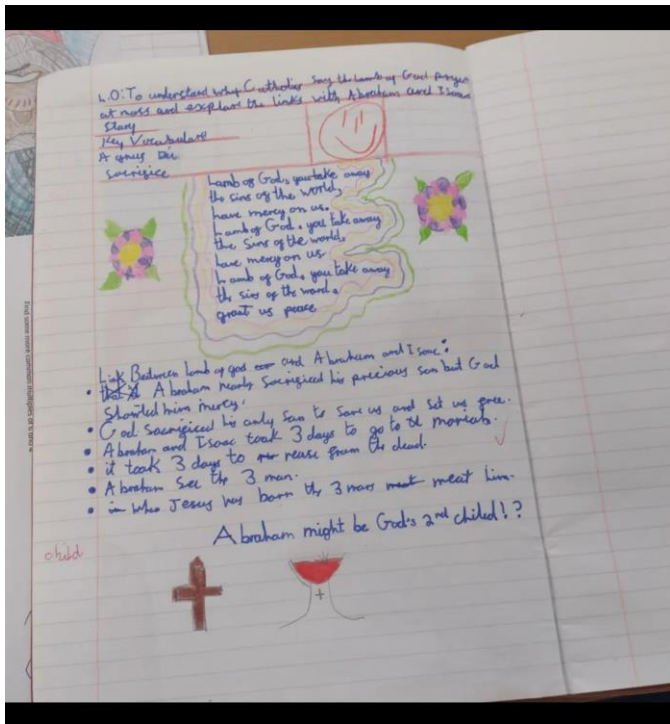


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olscheshambois Year 5 are trialling the new Bishop's RE curriculum. They have found lots of link between the lamb of God and Abraham and Isaac in the old testament #OLSRE. I've seen some great work

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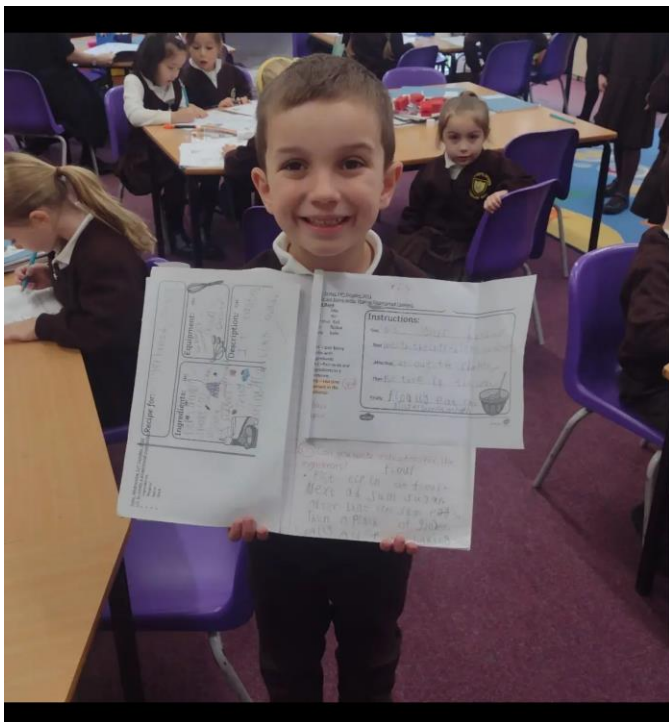
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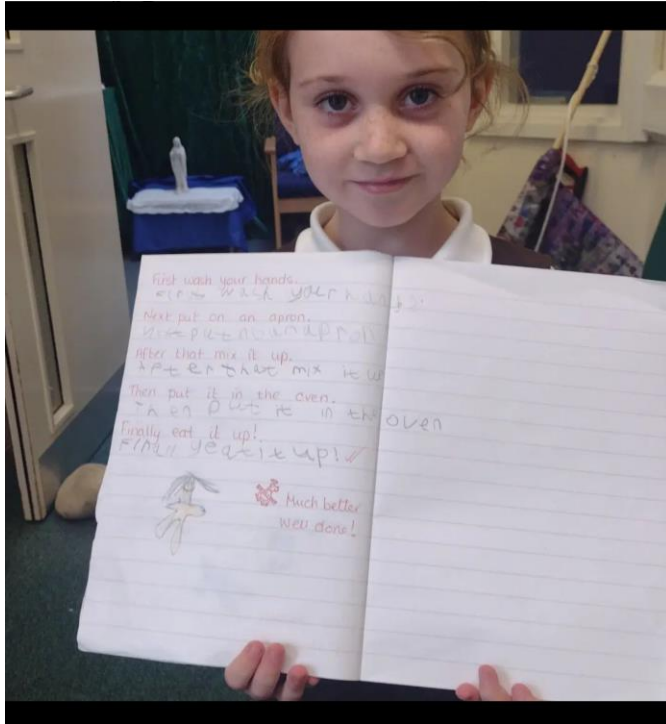
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## Accelerated Reader

	Words Read
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>3,638,393</b> words
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>3,218,193</b> words
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>1,057,613</b> words
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>161,380</b> words

## Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes

### Year 3

Giovanni  
Thomas  
Hansika  
Hugo

### Year 4

Leo  
Behtin  
Spike  
Elodie  
Charlie  
Evelyn  
Dominik  
Emily  
Zuzanna

### Year 5

Shaun  
Karamo  
Lena  
Matylda  
Stella  
Ethan  
Sabrina  
Emilio

### Year 6

Harry  
Viktor  
Louis  
Molly  
Cliff  
Esther