



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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

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16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents,


Well my week started with a bang waking up to a beautiful snowy day. It meant an early start for me and my two boys as we had to get up to school and start clearing paths. We knew, however, that it would be worth it as there is no better place to be on a snowy day than enjoying it with 200 children. We had snow ball fights, made snow men and generally slid around having fun. Well done to everyone who managed to get in; I think we still had over 90% of the children here. A massive thank you to the staff; some of whom have to drive for 45 minutes to an hour.

This week we have also had the start of our Christmas performances. We had two fantastic Advent Carol Services on Wednesday and Thursday. It is so lovely doing them in the church which Father Roy has lit up so beautifully with a Christmas star and the lights on the trees. It really makes for a lovely atmosphere.

Today, we have also had the Reception Nativity which is always one of our favourite events of the year. They gave a fantastic and very professional performance. Believe me, everything in Reception is that good.

Finally, I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the Christmas fair this evening. I am sure we are going to have a great evening raising lots and lots of money.

God bless,

M. How 

## **Catholic Life and Religious Education**

Some of you might know that over the past few years I have been one of the Diocesan inspectors for Catholic schools. After Christmas, there is a new framework which schools will be inspected under and I have recently been on several training days. Although we are not due to be inspected ourselves this year, I thought it would be useful if we used the parent questionnaire from the process to help us write our self-evaluation. I would appreciate it if you would take a few moments to fill in this Microsoft form.

[Our Lady's Parent Questionnaire - Catholic Life and RE](#)

Thank you  
Mr Holdsworth

## **Fundraising for the Poor Servants of the Mother of God (Kenya)**



Thank you to everyone who donated at the Christmas Performances this week

Break the Rules Day	£264.30
Toy Sale	£121.68
Christmas Jumper Dar	£149.67
Year 3 and Year 5 Advent Service	£163.02
Year 4 and Year 6 Advent Service	£305.40
Reception Nativity	£108.05 (+5 euros!)
Other	£21.41
Total	£1133.53

## Absence



These are our latest attendance figures. This is information up until last Friday. Unfortunately, there seemed to be something going around last week so our attendance wasn't as good as normal but hopefully it will have improved again this week.

## A Message from Ten Ten Resources December 2022

As December arrives, we find ourselves already in the second week of Advent - our time of preparation for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. Amidst all the busyness of getting ready for nativity plays and carol services, the fun of decorating trees, wrapping gifts, and no doubt plenty of pre-Christmas celebrating, Advent is a time to pause, reflect and get ready to welcome Jesus into our hearts.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout December and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope and pray for blessings for you and your family as you prepare together for Jesus' coming at Christmas

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

## Good News Certificates



Last week's Good News certificates were:


Year 1	Dion, Senuk
Year 2	Amelie, Szymon
Year 3	Chanuga, Erin
Year 4	Curtis, Michael M
Year 5	Franek, Pierce
Year 6	Shrikar, Tue Nhi

## @OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:



 **olscheshambois** ...

 **olscheshambois** A lovely showcase from @p.stheatre this morning. We heard lots of Christmas poems. #OLSliteracy #OLSpeakingandlistening  
4 h

 **p.stheatre** Thank you so much for all the support and encouragement. OLS pupils are super special to us. 🎉  
2 h 1 like Reply

 **marine.q** ahh can't believe I missed it 😊  
4 h Reply

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**18 likes**  
4 HOURS AGO

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 **olscheshambois**  
Original audio ...

 **olscheshambois** Ave Maria #OLSbuildingthekingdom #Advent2022  
18 h

 **teresawatson7** 🙏💙  
18 h Reply

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**19 likes**  
18 HOURS AGO

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olscheshambois



olscheshambois We are looking forward to welcoming the year 3 and year 5 families to our Advent Service this evening #OLSbuildingthekingdom #Advent2022

21 h



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olscheshambois A home made pressure pad for our very own security circuits to protect the crown jewels #OLSscience

23 h



teresawatson7 🙌❤️



20 h Reply

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16 likes

23 HOURS AGO



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 **olscheshambois** ...



**olscheshambois** Year 1 had a great time at the pantomime today  
#OLSfun #OLSliteracy  
1 d




**teresawatson7** 🙌💙  
1 d Reply

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20 likes


1 DAY AGO




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 **olscheshambois** ...



**teresawatson7** 🙌💙  
2 d Reply






**365ecodecisions** So much fun!  
2 d Reply




**nicolabrown30** Watch out Mr H, looks like that snowball maybe heading your way!!  
3 d 1 like Reply

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19 likes

3 DAYS AGO



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## Accelerated Reader

Words Read	
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>7,432,649</b> words
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>6,534,873</b> words
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>3,343,302</b> words
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>1,144,925</b> words

## Millionaire

Dominik (Y4)

Sherlyn (Y5)

Ula (Y6)

## Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes

### Year 3

Tamsin  
Sienna-Rose  
Donnie  
Dominik  
Simeon  
Jude  
Arthur  
Jacob  
Lorcan  
Thomas  
Hansika  
Florence

Dominik  
Robert  
Hannah  
Louis  
Emily  
Isabella  
Curtis  
Zuzanna

### Year 5

Bella  
Edward  
Karamo  
Ellie  
Lena  
Ava  
Matylda  
Stella  
Ethan  
Sabrina

### Year 4

Leo  
Behtin  
Mark  
Mia  
Archie  
Ivor  
Ralph  
Spike  
Wanda  
Elodie  
Charlie F  
Charlie K  
Finn M-S  
Michael M  
Bea  
Evelyn  
Joseph

### Year 6

Wiktor  
Finlay  
Louis  
Blazej  
Lucy  
Cliff  
Amelia  
Esther  
Pranav  
Ula