16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents,

It has been a great week in school. Everyone has had to be a little bit flexible to accommodate the Key Stage 2 SATs tests but in and around them we have still had a lot of fun. Key Stage 1 have had a wonderfully busy time with Forest school, Year 1 going to a bean bag rounders festival and Year 2 going to an Athletics festival. As well as that, there have been loads of fun things going on in the children's lessons. If you want to see more of what's going on, then remember to follow the school on Instagram: olscheshambois • Instagram photos and videos

Well done to Year 6 who have worked incredibly hard over the last few weeks with a few final bits of revision as they prepared for their tests. It is probably their first experience of revising but such an important part of learning and something they will have to do a lot more of as they move into secondary school. They should be really proud of themselves because, no matter what they score, we have seen incredible tenacity and progress. Great work Year 6.

Finally, congratulations to all the children who received their First Holy Communion last Saturday. It really was a beautiful celebration for what is the most important day of their lives. Thank you to Federica and all the children who came to support singing in the choir. I look forward to seeing our next group of children celebrate at Our Lady's tomorrow. I'm sure they are going to have a fabulous day.

Have a lovely weekend

God Bless

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## **Parking**

This morning, I was sent this photo from a local resident. I hope it isn't one of our parents (from a completely selfish point of view I hope it is a Beacon parent) but the parking is clearly not safe and very inconsiderate. The resident quite rightly pointed out that it is very dangerous for elderly and disabled people living in the area. It is also very dangerous for our own children and families. If you know whose car this is, please will you let me know.



### **Attendance**



**Gratitude Assembly Certificates** 



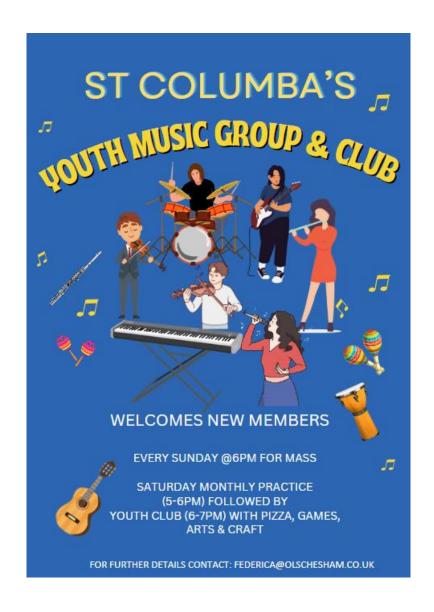
### Last week's Gratitude Assembly Certificates:

Year 1	Myra, George
Year 2	Ayla, Tosia
Year 3	Josie, Martha
Year 4	Julia, Logan
Year 5	AJ, Olive
Year 6	Abdur, Finlay, Michael L, Parth

Accelerated Reader
Well done to the following children who are reading above their reading target (the lower end of their ZPD) and are scoring above 80% in the quizzes.

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jessica	Sofia	Alvin	Tamsin	No targets yet.
Alexander	Arthur	Alyssa	Evie	Been a bit busy
Grace	Rory	James	Donnie	preparing for
Maksim	Ruby	Michael C	Elizabeth	tests.
Oliver	Josephine	Szymon	Grace	
Rory	Megan	Malwina	Eleanor	
Leon	Thomas	Renske	Jude	
	Allison	Adam	Arthur	
	Roberto	Michael F	Jacob	
	Niamh	Joseph	Jaeda	
	Olivia	Cuthbert	Erin	
	Caolan	Mason	Hugo	
	Martha	Misha	Emilio	
	Jan	Victoria		
	Alex	Hansini		
	Nathan	Cat Cat		
	Mason	Elise		
		Annie		
		Catherine		
		Hannah		
		Maja		

### **News From The Parishes**



St COLUMBA – **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm** (choir practice and youth club on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 5-7pm in the church hall. We have a short procession at the end of Mass so please bring a flower.

#### ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Parish Priest: Fr Eustace Durugbo

email: freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Masses @ 9am (traditional choir) & 6pm (Youth Band/ Choir)

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

#### **IHM – Great Missenden**

Parish Priest: Fr Eustace Durugbo

email: freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org

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

hall.

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

### Our Lady's and St Aidan's parishes

Priest: Father Roy

Sunday Mass times:

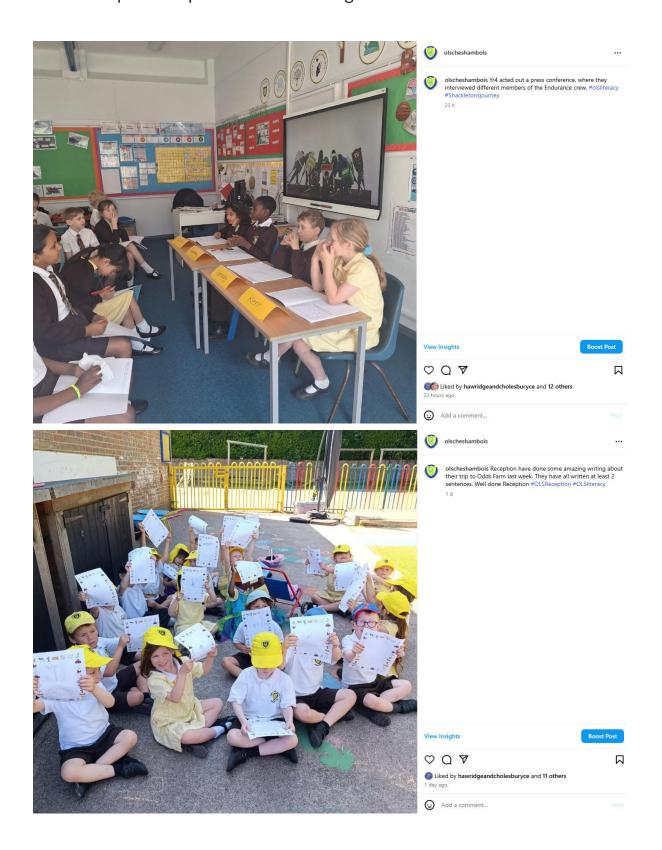
Our Lady's - Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am (with children's liturgy and a choir for children in Year 3 and above - all welcome to come and sing, and there's a brief practice after Mass)

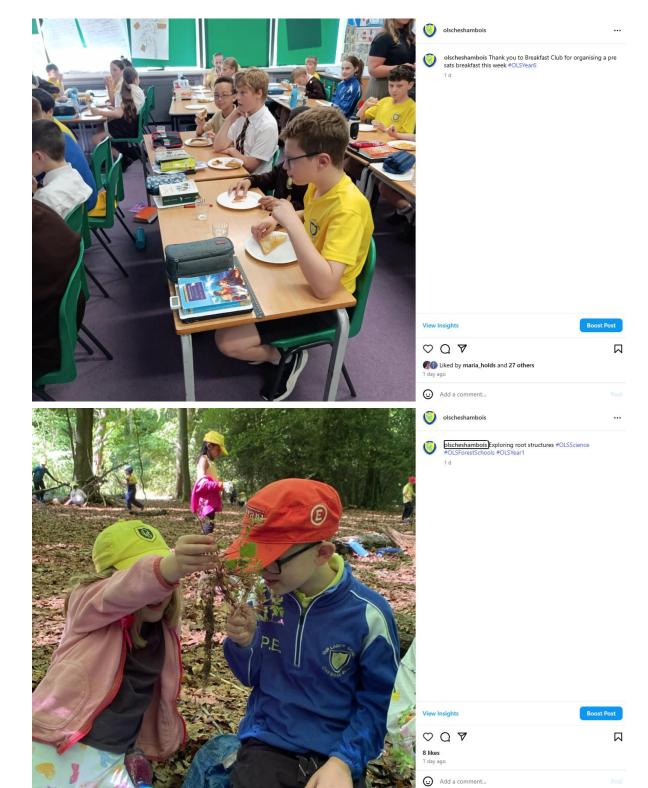
St Aidan's - Saturday 6:15 pm; Sunday 9 am (Polish Mass) and 11 am

Children are the future of our Church and are always welcome at Mass, but parents often worry about small children getting restless and disturbing other members of the congregation. As well as children's liturgy at the 9:00 Sunday Mass, Our Lady's Church now has a speaker set up in the guildroom. This allows you to continue to follow the Mass if your toddler needs a break from sitting still.

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Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:

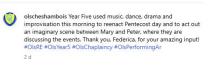












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### **May 2025**

May begins and we are still in the season of Eastertide. As we continue to celebrate the Risen Jesus, we are invited to get to know Him; to recognise Jesus in our lives, listen to His voice and follow Him.

We also celebrate Mary our Mother, as May is traditionally the month of Mary. Many parishes and schools will be honouring Our Lady with spring flowers in May Processions and opportunities to pray the Rosary.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout May, and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/