

## Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

20<sup>th</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents,

Last Friday, we had our annual Christmas Fayre. Everyone braved the arctic weather and stuck around for a lovely event, which finished with the children singing Christmas Carols. It was cold but that probably helped to make it feel even more festive. We are in a bit of a transition, but a massive thank you to the PTA (new and old) who really help bring the community together.

This had been a very short week, but we have still managed to cram in the Key Stage 1 Christmas show, "Tea Towels and Tinsel," and the Performing Arts Club performance, "A Christmas Cracker". Both were absolutely fantastic. We definitely have some budding actors and actresses amongst us. It is really good for the children's development to be able to learn the lines off by heart, as well as being great for building their confidence.

Finally, you will have seen some movement with the Key Stage 1 and Reception playgrounds. The groundworks are now completely finished and we look forward to Pentagon coming back to finish the new playground installation in January. They are due in on the 3<sup>rd</sup> January so hopefully it will be complete by the end of the first week.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas. Just remember Jesus in amongst all that fun!!!!!

God bless,

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### **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
Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Show	£148.30
Total	£1281.83

### **Reception Admissions 2023 - 2024**

A quick reminder that admissions for Reception 2023 are open but close shortly after Christmas. Please remember that you need to fill in a form for school as well as applying in the normal way through Buckinghamshire Council. Forms are available in the school office, and in the local parishes.

### **Absence**



These are our latest attendance figures, 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.

After Christmas, we will start officially monitoring children whose attendance is below 90%. If their attendance doesn't improve by half term, these children will need to go onto a support plan in line with government guidance.

# A Message from Ten Ten Resources December 2022

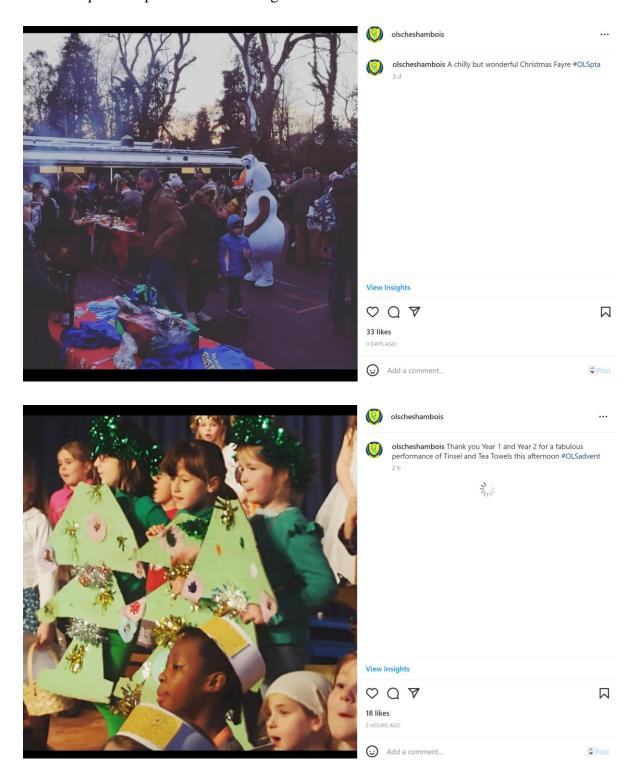
As December arrives, we find ourselves already in the second week of Advent - our time of preparation for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. Amidst all the busyness of getting ready for nativity plays and carol services, the fun of decorating trees, wrapping gifts, and no doubt plenty of pre-Christmas 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/

## **@OLSCheshambois**

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:





### **Accelerated Reader**

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

### **Millionaire**

Dominik (Y4) Sherlyn (Y5) Ula (Y6)

### Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes

Year 3	Hansika Florence
Tamsin	
Sienna-Rose	Year 4
Donnie	
Dominik	Leo
Simeon	Behtin
Jude	Mark
Arthur	Mia
Jacob	Archie
Erica	Ivor
Lorcan	Ralph
Thomas	Spike

Wanda Elodie Charlie F Charlie K Finn M-S Michael M Bea Evelyn Joseph Dominik

Robert

Hannah Louis **Emily** Isabella Curtis Zuzanna

Year 5

Bella Edward Karamo Ellie Lena Ava Matylda Stella Ethan Sabrina Emilio Franek

Year 6

Wiktor Finlay Louis Blazej Lucy Cliff Amelia Esther Pranav Ula