



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

20th May 2022

Dear Parents,


What an incredibly busy week. Two classes have been on lovely trips this week with Year 4 going to Henley to the River Museum there and Year 1 visiting Windsor Castle today. Henley is a lovely trip where the children learn all about living things and habitats in Science and about rivers in Geography. It really is a great trip and they were blessed with beautiful weather as well. Today, the Year 1 children are visiting Windsor Castle. What a great time to visit as we build up to the Jubilee celebrations. I know they have been talking about it for weeks.

Also, this week we have had International Day and Evening organised by the PTA. It is my favourite day of the year as I particularly enjoy trying all the different foods that are shared. I know the children also really enjoyed the circus workshop that they attended during the day. It was great fun!! I would like to say a big thank you to everyone on the PTA committee as these sorts of events really help to bring the community together and I know they are extremely memorable for the children. My older two children, who have both left Our Lady's, still look forward to coming back for it.

Finally, I want to say a massive congratulations to the children who received their First Holy Communion last Sunday at Our Lady's Church. They had a fantastic day and I know the church was bursting with people sharing the celebration with them. The last children will receive the Sacrament this weekend on Saturday at St Columba and Sunday at Our Lady's. I hope you all have a lovely day.

Have a lovely weekend,

God bless,

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International Evening

And what a great evening it was!!!!



Good News Certificates



Congratulations to the children who received certificates from their teachers last week. They were:

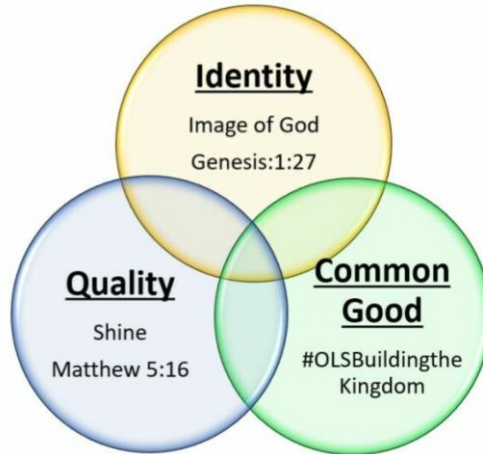
Year 1	Isabelle & Adam
Year 2	Aliza & Sienna-Rose
Year 3	Isabella & Elodie
Year 4	Grace & Bella
Year 5	Thomas & Matthew
Year 6	Jessica & Ben

Car Park

This week, we had another incident in the car park involving a car and an adult. The people involved both actually have permission to park in the car park. However, it does highlight how dangerous it is. Thank goodness it wasn't a child involved. Please don't use the car park if you shouldn't so that we can keep all the children safe. I do try and go out there periodically but we physically can't man it every day. We are relying on parent's integrity.

Curriculum

“Identity, Quality and Care for the Common Good”



Here is the Parent Newsletter for May.

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-newsletter/

Phonics

It is coming up to the time of year when Year 1 do their phonics screening. This is a good time to let parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 know about some websites that may help. These websites have a mixture of free and subscription games which I am sure your children will enjoy.

[Phonics Games for the Classroom and Home - Phonics Bloom](#)

[PhonicsPlay](#)

[Phonics Games for Kids Online - SplashLearn](#)

[Letters and Sounds - Free phonics resources for the Letters and Sounds programme \(letters-and-sounds.com\)](#)

White Hill Centre – Could you host some Italian children?

White Hill Centre is looking for up to ten local families to host Italian Junior & High School pupils for two weeks in July. These pupils attend Catholic Schools in Rome and Southern Italy and stay in groups of two. Our annual language groups have been organized for the last 35 years by a British Language Professor resident in Italy and currently in Matera, previously Rome, University: Stanley Robert Krol, ex-Preston Catholic College and University College London. Mr. Krol travels with the groups, which have always been based in the White Hill Centre in Chesham.

Each group of 2 boys or girls stay as paying guests in a local host family. We expect breakfast, a packed lunch to go and an evening meal, plus light laundry. All pupils are out almost daily, from 8.30 am to around 9 pm., and are transported to and from White Hill in the teachers' rented cars. The pupil's presence is limited to breakfast and late dinner times and an occasional Sunday. A written daily program is provided.

Arrival in Chesham Car Park (behind Boots) is around 9.30 pm on 6 July and departure 9 am on 20 July. The daily contribution per pupil is £30: thus £210 per week per pupil, or £840 for the entire fortnight in double occupancy. Mornings are considered lesson time at White Hill, while afternoons generally alternate Central London tourism with local activities. Note that many of the pupils become genuinely friendly with host families and often return every summer, even for 3 or 4 programs.

Anyone interested may obtain all details from:

Ms. Ana Gagro (Our Lady's Primary) on 07411/187795

Ms. Jenny Freeman (Brushwood Junior) on 07900/688573

Ms. Joanne Blackwell (White Hill Centre) on 01494/775190 (mornings)

Alternatively, Mr. Krol is always available on his Italian mobile 0039 339 1628420. He is only too pleased to receive texts or WhatsApp messages, and will call back at the host's convenience.

@OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:




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 olscheshambois Mr Shelley has come in to school to demonstrate a heart dissection today #OLScience
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 olscheshambois Year 3 had a great time at a Tri-golf festival this afternoon #OLSport
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17 h Reply

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 **olscheshambois** ...


 **olscheshambois** Wind in the Willows - Year 4 have had a great time today

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 **teresawatson7** 🙌❤️

17 h Reply

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 **olscheshambois** ...

 **olscheshambois** Year 5 use a Conscience Alley to consider how it felt for the gathered crowd, listening to the words of St Peter on Pentecost day. #OLSRE #OLSbuildingthekingdom

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olscheshambois ...

olscheshambois Our Key Worker Meadow attracting some lovely butterflies - here is a photo of the common blue @chilternrangers
18 h

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14 h Reply

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olscheshambois ...

olscheshambois Year 5 are learning about how nails rust in different liquids #OLScience
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 **olscheshambois** ...

 **olscheshambois** Congratulations to the children who recieved their First Holy Communion this weekend. I hope they had a day they will never forget. #olsbuildingthekingdom

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Nut Free School

Please can I remind parents that they shouldn't be sending things in their children's packed lunches which contain nuts. On the whole people are really good about this. However, every now and then we do find things such as shop bought pesto or hummus coming in. I know people aren't being flippant about it; it is just that if you don't have someone at home with an allergy you probably don't even consider some items as having nuts in them.

Thank you

Safeguarding – Are you letting your children grow up?

I have taken a slightly different tact on this section this week. It is really following up on a parents session that Karen Summers and Bernadette O'Halloran did a few years ago. It is very easy for parents to protect their children too much in an attempt to show they love them. However, this can often be about the parent more than the child and really disadvantages them. We often see children not reaching their true potential because they've not learnt to be independent or resilient. Next week will be a great opportunity for our Year 6 children to learn some of this independence as they spend a week away. Have a read of this blog although I apologise for that it is a bit American.

[How Overprotective Parents Set Their Children up for Failure - WeHaveKids](#)

A good measure of how much you love your child is how little they need you. It is really hard to be trying to encourage them to be independent of us because we all want to feel needed but we have to remember that is the ultimate goal. We are trying to get them to the point where they can leave home.

Accelerated Reader

	Words Read
Year 6	21,999,661 words
Year 5	18,798,421 words
Year 4	14,066,877 words
Year 3	4,106,326 words

Millionaire Readers

Thomas (Year 5)
Abigail (Year 6)
Wiktor (Year 5)
Ula (Year 5)
Constance (Year 5)
Robert (Year 6)

Charlie (Year 6)
Michael (Year 6)
Mirella (Year 6)
Bella (Year 6)
Harry (Year 5)
Lucy (Year 5)

Double Millionaire Readers

Harry (Year 4)
Kaitlyn (Year 6)
Ben (Year 6)
Alex (Year 5)

Triple Millionaire Readers - Wow

Matilda (Year 4) Kenandra (Year 5)

Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes

Year 2

Eleanor
Jude
Arthur
Jacob
Erin
Aliza
Florence

Year 3

Leo
Archie
Spike
Alma
Evelyn
Dominik
Robert
Adam
Zuzanna

Year 4

Pierce
Karamo
Ellie
Jordan
Alaia
Ethan
Emilio
Luna
Alasdair

Year 5

Harry A
Lucy
Esther

Year 6

Abigail
Ruby
Jessica J
Robert
Jacob