

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

A Place of Learning -
A Community of Christ

Faith
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26th June 2026

Dear Parents,

Well, I'm sure you will all agree it isn't an understatement to say this week has been hot. I just want to say a massive thank you to all the staff, children and parents who have just got on with things. I don't think I've heard a single grumble all week. It is a real credit to the whole school community and a great example of the importance we place on every day at school, as well as the ways in which we build resilience in our children.

And on top of that, I know these are some of the moments the children will remember forever. By the time they have their own children, they will be telling completely exaggerated stories of 45+ degree heat!

I think the absolute highlights of the week were the sprinkler at lunchtime and the ice cream. There is nothing quite like a bit of water fun! In the end, I had to stop the children to avoid them being in the sun for too long. If you ask the children what the best part of the week was, I'm sure they would say the ice cream van. I had promised that if they reached the DfE target of 97.5%, they could all have an ice cream at the end of term, but over the last few weeks it became clear they were going to be just short. It is currently 97.42%, which is still fantastic.

What a great excuse to move the goalposts slightly - extreme hot weather! A massive thank you to Jay – the Ice Cream Van Man – for dropping everything at the last moment, and an even bigger thank you to the PTA for funding the whole thing!

Finally, I'm sorry about Sports Day this week. In the end, it was the right decision - there is very little shade on the paddock. We look forward to seeing you all next Friday.

God bless,
Mr Holdsworth



Accelerated Reader

The children who are already above their target and are higher than 85% in their quizzes are:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Rose	Theresa	Jessica	Harish	Alvin	Tamsin
Mika	Mayra	Reuben	Sofia	Alyssa	Sienna-Rose
Zoe	Manny	Cairo	Evie	Chloe	Giovanni
Patrick	Thomas	Joseph	Arthur	James	Donnie
Ambrose	Margot	Alex	Rory	Michael C	Dominik
Bertie	Bettie	Rex	Ruby	Malwina	Elizabeth
	Minmanee	Maksim	Josephine	Renske	Rory
	Julian	Oliver	Ann	Joseph	Simeon
		Rory	Juno	Cuthbert	Stash
		Sofia	Francesca	Mason	
		Noelia	Thomas	Misha	Eleanor
		Isaac	Allison	Victoria	Jude
		Robyn	Roberto	Hansini	Arthur
		Harvey	Zoe	Maadhavan	Jacob
			Zachary	Cat Cat	Nathan
			Arthur	Elise	Shanaya
			Ralph	Xavier	Aliza
			Niamh	Sharvil	Thomas
			Olivia	Annie	Hansika
			Caolan	Catherine	Florence
			Martha	Klara	Erin
			Genevieve	Hanna	Olive
			Daisy	Nikolay	Divine
			Jan	Minchun	Hugo
			Nathan		Emilio
			Mason		

Please remember ensuring your child is reading every day is the most important thing you can do for them educationally.

Gratitude Assembly Certificates

Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:



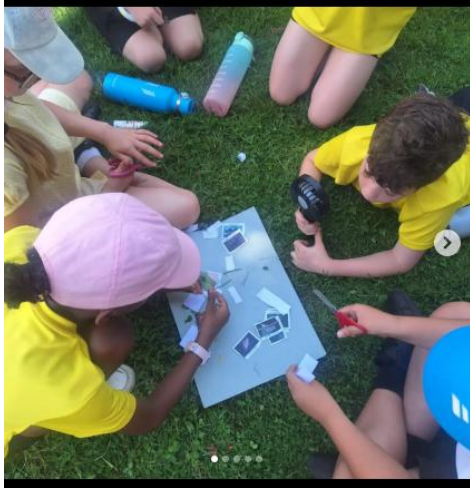
Year 1	Thea, Ambrose
Year 2	Iulia, Theresa
Year 3	Whole Class
Year 4	Allison, Niamh
Year 5	Hanna, Klara
Year 6	Divine, Rory



These children have gone green in Times Table RockStars which means they know all of their times table facts. New children this week in bold:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Manny	Alex	Sofia	Joseph	Elizabeth
	Lorenzo	Arthur	Alysa	Eleanor
	Varun	Rory	James	Arthur
	Rory	Ruby	Szymon	Jaeda
	Ayla	Josephine	Malwina	Karo
	Rex	Ann	Adam	Aliza
	Tosia	Francesca	Michael F	Emilio
		Thomas	Hansini	Divine
		Zoe	Cat Cat	Florence
		Niamh	Klara	Jude
		Olivia	Hanna	Hugo
		Jan	Misha	Tamsin
		Nathan	Sharvil	Sienna Rose
		Allison	Alise	Dominik
		Mason	Antra	Hansika
		Artie	Minchun	Stash
		Genevieve	Victoria	Donnie
		Harrish	Mason	Bianca
		Peregrine		Erin
		Daisy		Jacob
		Coalan		
		Juno		
		Zachary		

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olscheshambois Year 4 grouping invertebrates
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olscheshambois Year 4 reading with Year 2 in the shade with a lovely, cool breeze! #OLSLiteracy

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olscheshambois Well done everyone for very nearly hitting our attendance target of 97.5% this year. I think we can move the goalposts slightly for an extreme heatwave. Thank you @jaysices and thank you to the PTA for funding it. #OLSattendance #OLSFun
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olscheshambois Year 3 had a great time at Forest School today making shelters and some abstract art #OLSForestSchool

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olscheshambois Year 6 had their second shelter building session with the forest rangers this afternoon. Freak weather experienced again - snow after the SATs and now rain during a heatwave?? The shade was lovely in the woods #OLSForestSchools #OLSDDT

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olscheshambois A lovely outside liturgy lead by our year4 Faith Ambassadors. #OLSyr4 #OLSRE #OLSchaplaincy

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olscheshambois A snap shot of #OLSYear1 learning today. Compound sentences, multiplication and Windsor Castle mind maps #OLSMaths #OLSEnglish #History

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olscheshambois This evening is the @dioceseofnorthampton A Celebration of Education Mass. Thank you to everyone who make up our school communities across the diocese and @stcat_schools #OLSBuildingTheKingdom

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ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: FrMirek.misiura@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Masses @ 9 am (children's liturgy) & 6 pm (Youth Band/ Choir)

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

IHM - Great Missenden

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

email: FrMirek.misiura@northamptondiocese.org

Sunday Mass @ 11 am (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

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)

For those of you with younger children, OLOPS Toddler Group runs in the guildroom at the back of Our Lady's Church on Fridays in term time for children aged 0-4 and their parent or carer. We have lots of toys to play with and always finish with a snack and singing. The official timing is 9:15 to 10:30, but you are welcome to come earlier if you're at a loose end after dropping your older child off at school.

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

YOUTH MASS at St Aidan's on Saturday 27th June at 6.15pm animated by the OLS choir: everybody welcome!