



Weekly Newsletter

29th November 2024


Dear Parents,

Last Sunday, was the Feast of Christ the King. It is the end of the churches year and the Sunday we celebrate the youth of the church. It was at a lovely Mass at St Columba on Sunday evening with lots of children involved. But the highlight for me was Olive and Jaeda in Year 5 talking about our Minnie Vinnies. It was a real witness to the power of the work we do in school and the importance of not just reading the Gospel but living it.

This week we also had a visit from a donkey. This is something we started a few years ago when we realised that we were doing the nativity with the children but that many of them had never seen a donkey. I'm not sure why the whole school needs to see it but they seem to love it. There's even a buzz of excitement around the "Big Kids" (aka the staff).

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Hollyberry Boogie tonight and we are looking forward to the season of Advent as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus.

God Bless

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Chiltern League

Well done to the children who have played for the school netball team this week. We've won two games. 4-0 against Waterside on Tuesday with some sharp shooting from Michael L scoring all four goals. And then an amazing win away against the league leaders Ivingswood 7-6. Ivingswood have scored something like 30 goals in their last two games and are undefeated which highlights what a great win it was. I'm looking forward to seeing how the rest of the season pans out.



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
Reuben Rex Charlie Varun	Sofia Evie Arthur Rory Ruby Josephine Juno Francesca Thomas Zachary Ralph Olivia Caolan Eugenie Daisy Jan	Keera Alyssa James Renske Adam Michael Cuthbert Mason Misha Victoria Hansini Cat Cat Xavier Sharvil Annie Klara Nikolay	Tamsin Sienna-Rose Evie Dominik Elizabeth Simeon Grace Andrew Arthur Jacob Erica Shanaya Lorcan Aliza Hansika Erin Chanuga Olive Hugo Emilio	Leo Mark Mia Ivor Spike Wanda Rebecca Charlie F Finley Michael M Evelyn Dominik Robert Joseph Curtis Zuzanna

Gratitude Assembly Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Lucia, Grace
Year 2	Rosie, Ayla
Year 3	Zachary, Emily
Year 4	Nickolay, Hannah
Year 5	Emilio, Erin
Year 6	Joseph

Parking

A quick reminder that parking considerably keeps our children safe. Firstly, please can everyone in the local area make sure they park on the inside of the bend. It gets really dangerous if people park on both sides. We are very lucky because parking on the inside means we don't have to cross the road whilst people are pulling away.

Also can parents picking up from after school club be really careful in the dark. We have had a couple of near misses recently. It is really important that your younger children hold your hand as it is really hard for people to see them.

Thank you

News From The Parishes



ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

New 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)

Next YOUTH MASS – Sunday 15th Dec @ 6pm

Next MUSIC practice – Saturday 14th Dec @ 5-6pm

Next YOUTH CLUB – Saturday 14th Dec @ 6-7pm (for catering and safeguarding purposes please let Federica know if you are attending and if you have any dietary requirement)

Next FHC session – Saturday 14th Dec @ 4-5pm

IHM – Great Missenden

New Parish Priest: Fr Eustace Durugbo

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Saturday Mass @ 6pm

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

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

CHRISTMAS EVE Family/ children Mass – 24th Dec @5pm

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

There is a baby and toddler group in the guildroom behind Our Lady's Church on Friday mornings - officially 9:15-10:30, but you're welcome to come round as soon as you've dropped off your older child(ren).



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Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:



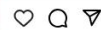
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olscheshambois I've just seen some amazing writing based on The Last Bear. The children have made some great links to Catholic Social Teaching too. #OLSCatholicSocialTeaching #OLSBUILDINGTHEKINGDOM

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olscheshambois Yesterday a real life donkey visited Reception but funny enough all of the other children wanted to see it. 🐴

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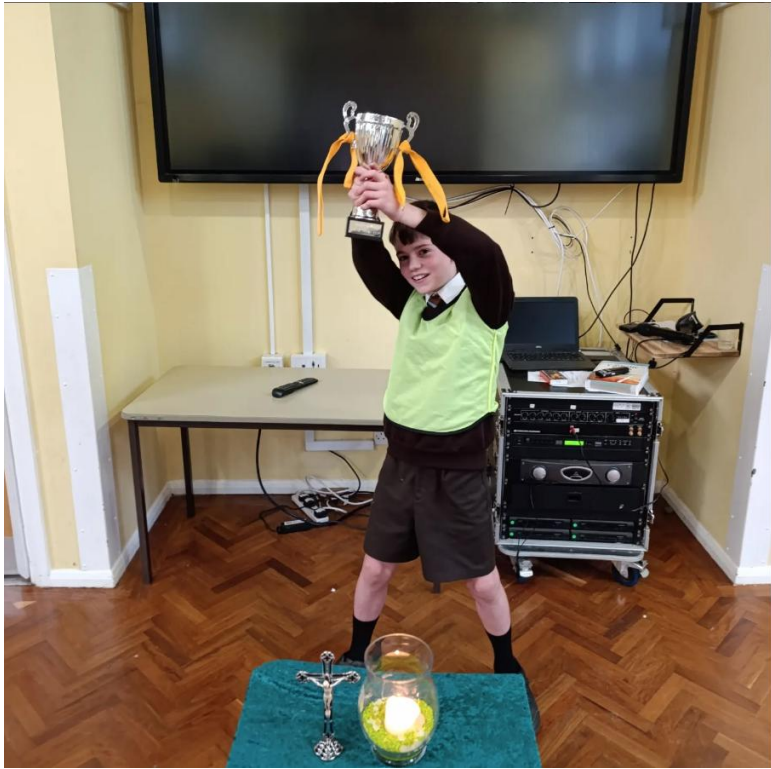
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Congratulations to John! This week's house point winner #OLSHouseCaptains

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November 2024

November is a month of special feasts starting with the Solemnity of All Saints and Feast of All Souls and ending with the Solemnity of Christ the King which marks the end of the liturgical year.

Our November resources invite children to explore what is most important. The Gospels encourage us to prioritise God over all things and love our neighbour. Jesus explains that true generosity of heart means giving with the confidence to trust that God will provide us with all that we need and He is always there ready to help and guide us.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout November 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/>

**Jesus,
We want to be like you.
Send your Holy Spirit to
help us to be good leaders in all we do.
Amen**