



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

*"A place of learning – A community of Christ"*

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2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents,

We are getting to that crazy time of year! As you can imagine it is incredibly busy but also really fun in school. However, we started with a lovely Advent Liturgy where Father Roy blessed our cribs and Advent wreaths. It was a lovely way to start the time where we prepare ourselves for Jesus' birth.


Advent is a time when we think of others who are less fortunate than us and the children, in particular the Faith Ambassadors, have been doing a great job thinking of ways to raise money for the work of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God. This year, we are raising money for their work in Kenya and if you would like to know a little bit more about what they do then you might like to have a look on their website:

[East Africa \(poorservants.org\)](http://poorservants.org)

I know the children particularly enjoyed the "Break the Rules" day today which was the idea of Matilda in Year 5. It is always great to be having fun whilst raising money and hopefully this will be something we can do again in the future. I have to be honest they didn't break the rules as drastically as I thought they would. Our children clearly find being naughty very difficult which is a good thing I suppose.

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

M. Hold 



## **Admissions Consultation**

We are currently consulting on our admissions policy for 2024-2025. The admissions policy is on the STCAT website which you can see following this link:

<https://www.stcat.co.uk/trust-governance/consultation/>

The consultation is open until 31 December 2022 and any feedback should be sent to [consultation@stcat.co.uk](mailto:consultation@stcat.co.uk)

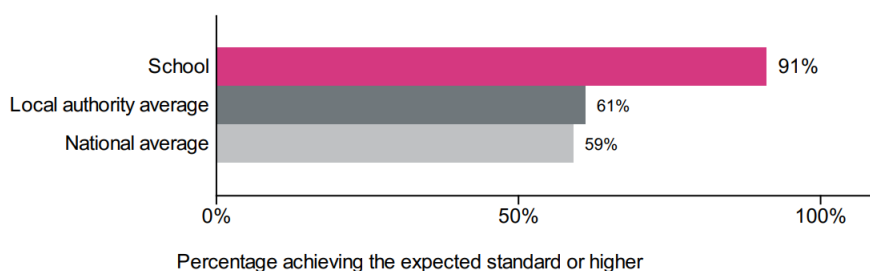
## **KS2 Results 2022**

Congratulations to last year's Year 6 class. They might have moved on but they have been at the forefront of my mind over the last week as our Department for Education performance data was released to us. Here are the headlines:

### **Reading, writing and maths combined**

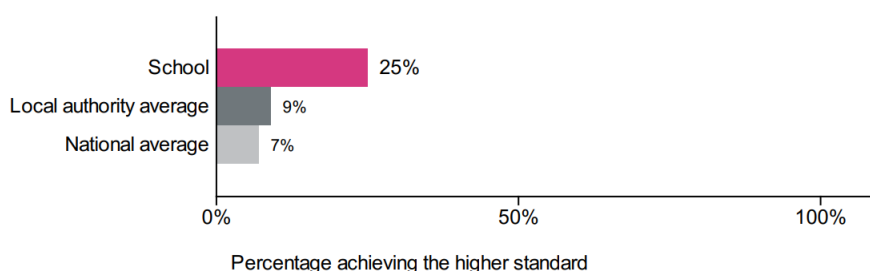
#### **Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard or higher**

Number of pupils = 32



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I am sure you won't be surprised to see that we are well above national and local authority averages again as we have done this consistently over the last 10 years. It is testament to the hard work of all the staff and the children.

Well done everyone!

## **Bikeability**

This week some of our Year 5 and Year 6 children have been learning to ride their bikes on the road. This is a really important skill for the children to learn as it gives them so much more independence. I know my two older children now often ride to clubs and also to the station on their way to St Joan of Arc. It is so important to give them that freedom and now they know how to keep themselves safe. However, if you are allowing your children onto the road keep reminding them to be careful. It is important that they keep their wits about them.



## Good News Certificates



Last week's Good News certificates were:

Year 1	Jan, Nathan
Year 2	Seraphina, Adam
Year 3	Evie, Arthur
Year 4	Hannah, Ivor
Year 5	Bella, Hannah, Luna, Harry
Year 6	Sophia, Yulek
Headteacher's Award	Liam C Y4, Michael F Y2

# 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/>

## ONLINE SHOPPING



STOP THE PRESS! IF YOU PLAN ON STARTING YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING THIS WEEKEND PLEASE CONSIDER RAISING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL BY DOING THE FOLLOWING:

- 1) JOIN SHOP FOR OLS - DID YOU KNOW THAT THIS SCHEME HAS RAISED A WHOPPING **£73,000** FOR THE SCHOOL - IT IS THE SIMPLEST WAY TO RAISE MONEY WITHOUT IT COSTING YOU A THING!
- 2) INCREASE YOUR SHOP FOR OLS ORDER OR ORDER A ONE OFF GIFT CARD OR E-VOUCHER
- 3) SHOP ONLINE WITH EASY FUNDRAISING & AMAZON SMILE

**SHOP NOW  
USING THE QR CODES BELOW**





## @OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:



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 olscheshambois Hard at work making Advent Calendars in DT  
#OLSdt  
5 h

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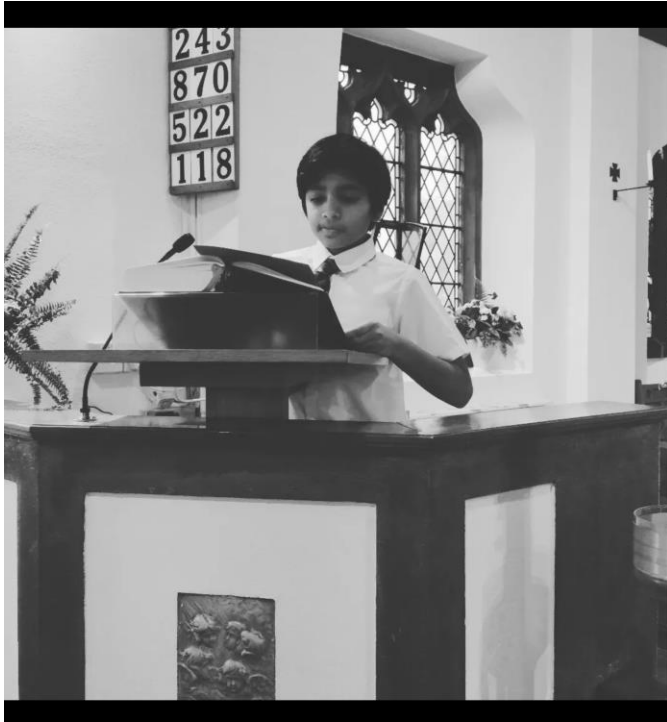
 olscheshambois What an exciting day Year 6 have had today.  
Ready for their dodgeball festival #OLSsporr  
6 h

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olscheshambois This morning Year 6 are joining Our Lady's Parish for there morning Mass #OLSbuildingthekingdom  
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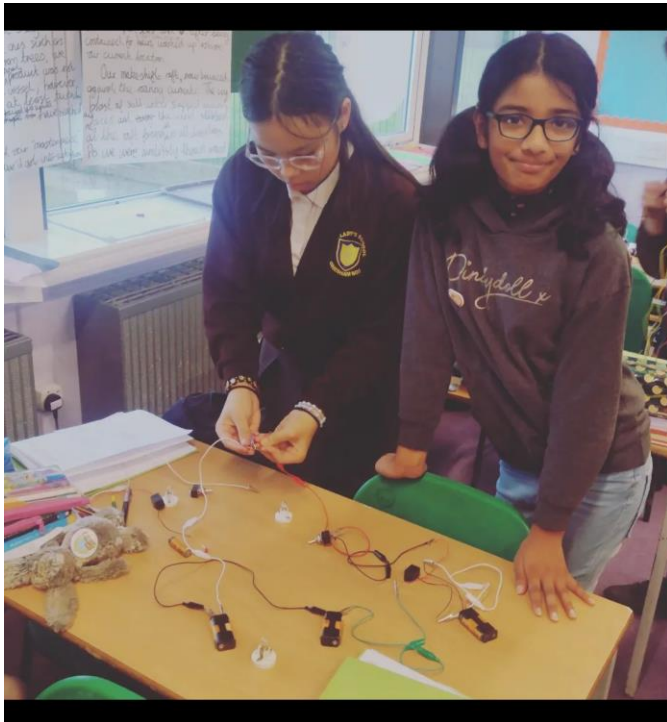
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olscheshambois Year 6 are designing burglar alarms for the crown jewels #OLSscience  
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#OLScience  
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olscheshambois A beautiful Advent Liturgy. Thank you to Father  
Roy for blessing our wreaths and nativity  
#OLSbuildingthekingdom  
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A group of Year 5 and Year 6 children are doing bikeability training this week. A great way to learn to be a bit more independent #OLSport #OLSlifeskills

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Three of our current and past pupils have been received into the Guild of St Stephen over the past two weeks. A great way to serve your parish #OLSbuildingthekingdom

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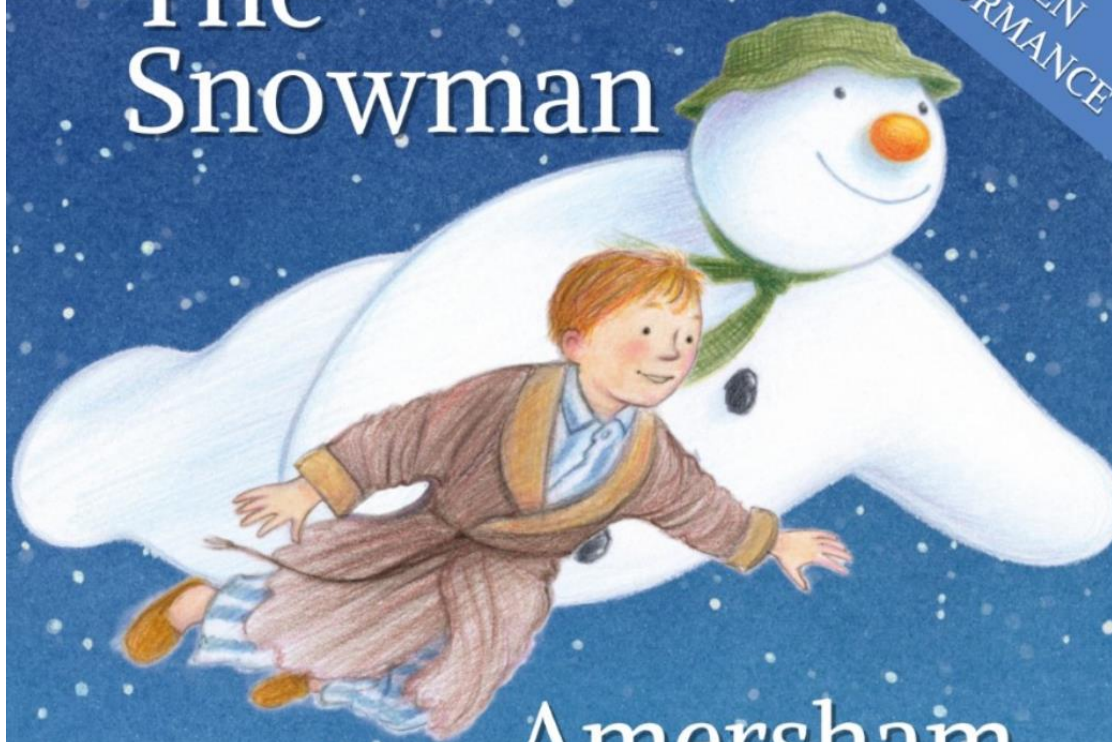


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# The Snowman

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PERFORMANCE



## Amersham Band

Film screening with live brass band, followed  
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Tickets  
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£6 under 16s  
Under 3s FREE

Sunday 4th December 2022  
Shows at 2pm and 3.15pm  
Chilterns Lifestyle Centre  
Amersham HP6 5AH



The theatre is part of the Lifestyle complex, adjacent to the swimming pool

Tickets and information: [www.amershamband.com/boxoffice](http://www.amershamband.com/boxoffice)

## **Accelerated Reader**

<b>Words Read</b>	
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>6,994,118</b> words
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>6,359,605</b> words
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>3,143,240</b> words
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>1,131,859</b> words

## **Millionaire**

Dominik (Y4)

Sherlyn (Y5)

Ula (Y6)

## **Meeting Targets and above 85% in Quizzes**

### **Year 3**

Tamsin  
Sienna-Rose  
Donnie  
Dominik  
Simeon  
Jude  
Arthur  
Jacob  
Thomas  
Hansika  
Florence

### **Year 4**

Leo  
Behtin  
Mark  
Spike  
Wanda  
Elodie  
Charlie F  
Finn M-S  
Michael M  
Evelyn  
Joseph  
Dominik  
Robert

Hannah  
Emily  
Curtis  
Zuzanna

### **Year 5**

Bella  
Edward  
Karamo  
Lena  
Ava  
Matylda  
Stella  
Ethan  
Sabrina

### **Year 6**

Wiktor  
Finlay  
Louis  
Blazej  
Ewan  
Lucy  
Cliff  
Amelia  
Esther  
Pranav