

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

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A Community of Christ

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30th January 2026

Dear Parents,

Firstly this week, I want to congratulate Oliver in Year 3, who was baptised last weekend. What a special moment for him, his family, and for us as a wider community. Most of our children are baptised when they are very young, but there is something extra special when children decide for themselves. Federica was there representing the school and said it was a really beautiful service. Last weekend's Gospel was about the apostles answering Jesus' call to become 'fishers of men'. Well, Oliver — you have truly responded to your calling. Amazing!

On Monday, I attended a meeting with the OLS Trust, who asked me to express their gratitude to the whole community, particularly to those who donate. It really does make a difference. Over the years, you have donated hundreds of thousands of pounds through this trust, which has had a tremendous impact. Along with the PTA, they have funded the library, Accelerated Reader, Year 6 laptops, interactive whiteboards, playground equipment, new flooring, and much more. I know that one thing parents often ask for is an idea of what we are currently raising money for, so here are just a few projects:

- New flooring in the last three classrooms
- Two new interactive whiteboards to replace older ones
- New computer hardware for the ICT suite
- LED stage lighting, so the children can control it as part of the Year 6 productions

As you can imagine, these items will cost tens of thousands of pounds and cannot be funded from the school's regular budget. If you aren't currently donating but feel you could contribute even a small amount, please do read the information on the website:

[Our Lady's Trust - Our Lady's Catholic Primary School](#)

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Holdsworth



Visualisers

A massive thank you to the PTA who have bought us new visualisers. They are such a useful teaching tool! It is a great way of promoting quality presentation or more accurate punctuation.



Cross-Country

Mr Byrne from Chesham Bois walked the course at Lowndes Park yesterday morning and we are very pleased to confirm that the races on Saturday morning will be taking place.

Whilst the course is muddy, and there is more rain due, it is safe to run if you are wearing the correct footwear. Football/Rugby boots or spikes are a must; Mr Byrne walked the course in trail shoes and it was slippy - normal trainers would definitely not be adequate.

Mrs Cid-Fuentes

I am delighted to let you know that Mrs Cid-Fuentes was discharged from hospital yesterday. After lots of tests, they seem to have diagnosed the issue and she is now using on a course of medication. Hopefully, we will be seeing her very soon.

Thank you for your prayers.

Chiltern League - Tag Rugby

What a great start to this season's Chiltern League Tag Rugby campaign. After two weeks when we had to call the games off because of rain, it was lovely to get out on a cold but sunny evening. We got off to a flying start, forcing the opposition into some errors with our "blitz" defence. This helped us build up a 6-1 lead at half-time. Hawridge and Cholesbury came back strongly in the second half, but we also got better and better, and the final score was 15-6. A really big thank you to Liam, Emilio and Michael, who stepped in at the last minute after a couple of other players were injured. We are looking forward to playing Chartridge next week.



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
	Aariv	Jessica	Harish	Alvin	Tamsin
	Theresa	Reuben	Sofia	Alyssa	Sienna-Rose
	Mayra	Joseph	Evie	Michael C	Evie
	Manny	Tiernan	Rory	Malwina	Giovanni
	Margot	Rex	Juno	Renske	Donnie
	William	Oliver	Megan	Mason	Dominik
	Freddie	Rory	Francesca	Misha	Rory
	Zac	Anastasia	Thomas	Hansini	Simeon
	Joseph P	Sofia	Allison	Cat Cat	Elizabeth
	Bettie	Noelia	Roberto	Xavier	Grace
	Gaia	Robyn	Zoe	Antra	Stash
		Robin	Zachary	Sharvil	Eleanor
		Tosia	Arthur	Annie	Jude
			Niamh	Catherine	Arthur
			Olivia	Klara	Jacob
			Caolan	Hanna	Erica
			Martha	Nikolay	Jaeda
			Daisy	Minchun	Aliza
			Alex		Thomas
			Nathan		Bianca
					Hansika
					Florence
					Erin
					Olive
					Emilio



The following children have been awarded a Numbots certificate in the last week.

Rust	Iron	Tin	Brass	Copper
Thomas G	Maisie A	Alexander B	Theresa B	Mayra C
Una O	Margot G	Joseph P	Benjamin R	Theresa B
	Alessandro B	Theresa B	Lucia J	
	Stefan L	Benjamin R		

Gratitude Assembly Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Ariah, Mika
Year 2	Joseph, Julian, Thishen
Year 3	Isaac, Leon
Year 4	Allison, Zoe
Year 6	Grace, Karo

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olscheshambois Reception have been taking part in birdwatch and have made food for the birds to help them in winter #OLSScience #OLSSReception #OLSStewardship

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olscheshambois Congratulations to this young man who said "Yes" to Jesus' calling at his baptism on Saturday. #OLSBuildingTheKingdom

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laura.kriesel Congratulations!

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olscheshambois Year Two debating the pros and cons of the Industrial Revolution in History! #OLSYear2 #OLSHistory

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olscheshambois I've just seen some amazing work about materials #OLSScience

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News From The Parishes

ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Parish Priest: *Fr Mirek Misiura*

email: FrMirek.misiura@northhamptondiocese.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@northhamptondiocese.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

The next Youth Mass at St Aidan's: Saturday 7th February at 6.15

Everybody welcome to join the choir/band!

If anyone wishes to read please let Federica know at school.