



# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

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

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30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents,

What a busy week! This week, Year 5 went on a fantastic trip to Wintershall where they watched The Life of Christ. The greatest story of all time is movingly recreated with authentic detail, outstanding quality, sound and music. The Life of Christ is a passion play not to be missed. It is both educational and entertaining, amusing and serious. This is part of our commitment to taking the children on an annual retreat. Wintershall is quite a trek but I know from talking to the children that it is an experience that really shouldn't be missed.

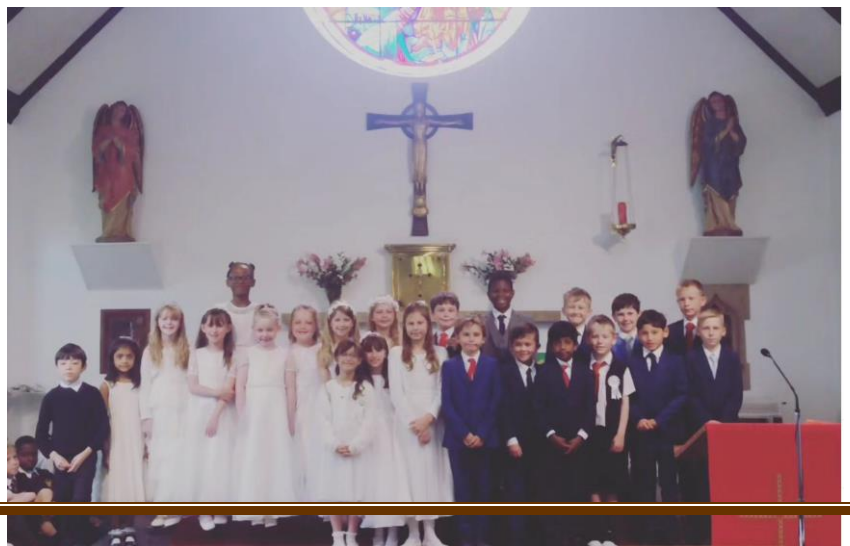
Then yesterday, we had a lovely St Peter and St Paul mass in Our Lady's church. Although it is nice to have mass in school at times it is also lovely to celebrate with the local parishioners. It helps us to remember we are part of a wider community. This was the first time the Year 3 children had the chance to celebrate the Eucharist as a class together. It was beautiful and the children had written some lovely bidding prayers. They looked amazing in their First Holy communion clothes.

Finally, today we have our sports day. The children have had a great time competing and most importantly it is great to see them having so much fun. We were also very lucky with the weather. Not too hot but no rain! A massive thank you to Mr Weatherill who has organised all of this. I am so glad his baby arrived in good time to ensure he was back for sports day. Also, a really big thank you to the Year 5 children who supported the Key Stage 1 sports day. They did a great job and have practised very hard over the last few weeks.

Have a lovely weekend,

God bless,

M. Holden



## **Drop off and Pick up**

On Wednesday I had to speak to a local resident who was quite rightly livid. Basically, she had confronted a parent who was letting one of their children wee in her hedge. I am assuming it was a pre-school child and not one of the children from school but even so it wasn't particularly nice and she did point out that we had toilets in school. What made it even worse is that the parent proceeded to be quite rude to her.

This sort of behaviour is not acceptable. We wouldn't allow the children to behave like that in school and if we did parents would quite rightly be asking us questions. However, parents are the primary educators and the sad thing is the behaviour of a very small minority gives everyone else in the community a bad name.

Please, please, please park considerately. As I say to the children, nobody is more important than anyone else and shouldn't expect to be allowed to behave differently from anyone else. Our school has such a good reputation in the community and I really don't want it to be tarnished by a few selfish parents.

The resident's word to me was "This is supposed to be a Christian school". With that comes a certain responsibility.

Thank you  
Mr Holdsworth

## **September 2023 – PE Days**

I just wanted to give parents prior warning for a slight change in policy around PE days and PE kits. As of September, children will be able to come into school on PE days in their PE kit. This will help to maximise the time children are active in PE lessons. It will also help avoid trying to separate boys and girls for changing as they get older. This can be difficult as we don't have changing rooms.

Hopefully, by letting you know now it might help you make decisions around the amount of uniform that needs buying as they tend to be wearing uniform for 3 days and PE kit for 2 days. The children will be expected to wear school PE kit. If they need a warm top they should wear a school fleece. If they need tracksuit bottoms then they will need to wear plain black tracksuit bottoms.

The final benefit of this is that the children will normally wear their PE kit into school and then home which means there is likely to be less lost property.

The only year group where there won't be a change is reception. This is mainly due to the fact that learning to get changed is an important skill that they sometimes pick up from copying their peers.

Thank you

## June 2023

If you are breathing a sigh of relief at the warmer weather, lighter mornings and evenings, and the not-too-distant promise of holidays – you are not the only ones! At this time of year, most children are beginning to feel that they're growing out of their new classes and starting to prepare themselves for the challenges ahead.

This feeling of readiness and challenge is also shown in the Gospels – which jump back to a time before Jesus' death and Resurrection and before Pentecost. Jesus had spent years preparing His disciples and they are now ready to be sent out to continue Jesus' work. The assemblies in June inspire children that we too are challenged to continue Jesus' mission!

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout June and suggests ways to support your family prayer times.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

## @OLSCshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:





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olscheshambois Year 2 interviewing a nurse in Sydney today. It is a small world these days #OLSTheYear2 #OLSBuildingTheKingdom  
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olscheshambois Year 5 local Tudor history @ Amersham museum #OLSHistory #OLSTheYear5  
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olscheshambois Thank you to Mrs Qasam who has come into school to teach Year 3 all about fasting and Ramadan #OLSre #OLSBUILDINGTheKingdom #OLSAbrahamicreligions

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- **olscheshambois** Enjoying our LAMDA assembly this morning. Well done everyone for all your hard work #OLSliteracy #OLSp performingarts  
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- **roo\_and\_lous\_adventures** What a talented group! ♥  
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- **olscheshambois** ...
- **olscheshambois** A very moving day for year five children and staff at Wintershall today watching a reenactment of the life of Christ. Over 4 1/2 hours of theatre in different locations set in beautiful countryside. The story of Jesus from his birth to His ascension to heaven with professional actors, live animals and incredible sound and scenery. We are extremely fortunate to have been on this wonderful retreat. #OlsRE #OlsRetreat  
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 olscheshambois

 olscheshambois St Peter and St Paul - It is lovely to celebrate Mass today on this Holy day of obligation with Father Roy and Our Lady's Parish #OLSBUILDINGTHEKINGDOM

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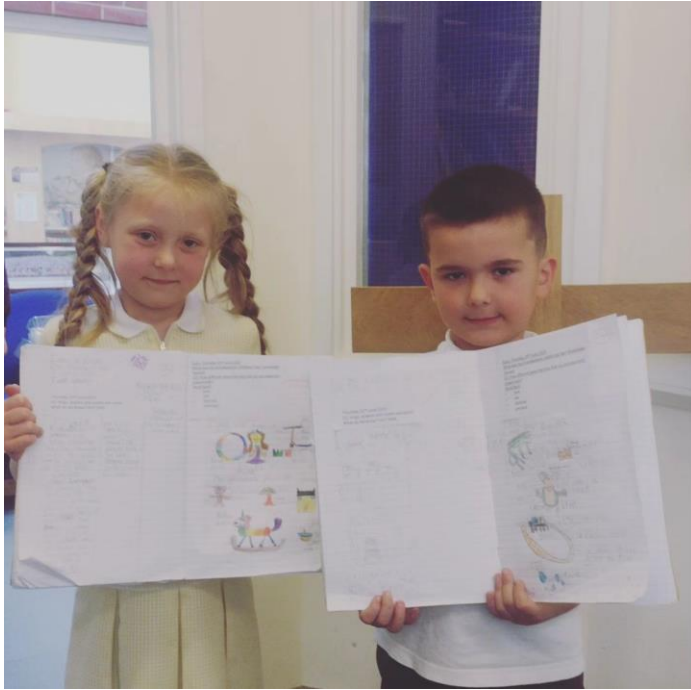
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 **olscheshambois** ...



 **olscheshambois** Year 1 are learning all about the toys their grandparents might have played with #OLShistory  
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 **olscheshambois** ...

 **olscheshambois** Year 3 had a great time at the cricket festival today and although we know the taking part is what counts we did win 🏆 #OLSport  
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## Accelerated Reader

	Words Read
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>25,341,649 words</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>17,197,380 words</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>11,153,112 words</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>3,539,256 words</b>

Congratulations to Ula in Year 6 who is our second Quadruple Millionaire reader. And congratulations to Kenandra who has now broken the school record with 4, 537, 826. There is a bit of healthy rivalry going on between the two of them now. Who is going to have read the most words by the end of the year. It is just a bit of fun!!!!

### Millionaire Readers

Thomas (Year 6)  
 Shaun (Year 5)  
 Harry (Year 5)  
 Pranav (Year 6)  
 Tue Nhi (Year 6)  
 Shrikar (Year 6)  
 Matilda (Year 5)  
 Curtis (Year 4)  
 Evelyn (Year 4)  
 Alex (Year 6)

### Triple Millionaire Readers

Sherlyn (Year 5)

### Quadruple Millionaire Readers

Ula (Year 6)  
 Kenandra (Year 6)

### Double Millionaire Readers

Dominik (Year 4)

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

**Year 2**

Renske  
Hansini  
Cat Cat  
Klara

**Year 3**

Tamsin  
Sienna-Rose  
Donnie  
Dominik  
Elizabeth  
Sean  
Eleanor  
Jude  
Arthur  
Jacob  
Aliza  
Florence  
Erin  
Chanuga

**Year 4**

Leo  
Mia  
Archie  
Ralph  
Spike  
Elodie  
Finley  
Finlay M-S  
Michael M  
Finn  
Robert  
Curtis

**Year 5**

Leo  
Bella  
Shaun  
Karamo  
Ellie  
Ben  
Kome  
Lena  
Grace  
Emilio  
Luna

**Year 6**

Louis

Molly  
Blazej  
Ewan  
Lucy  
Thomas  
Eryk  
Alex  
Bella  
Alina  
Matthew