



5th December 2025

Dear Parents,

This week has been really full!

Firstly, a massive thank you to Mrs Eakins, the parents, and the children who came in to decorate the school on Sunday morning. It was lovely for the children to arrive on Monday to see the complete transformation. Thank you.

On Tuesday, Paul Stack and the Chiltern Forest Rangers worked with Year 2 and Year 3. The children had the chance to get involved in fire lighting, toasting marshmallows, and drinking hot chocolate. It was a wonderful way for Year 3 to finish working with Paul after two years.

Several classes have also been out on trips this week. Year 2 had a fantastic day on Wednesday learning what it was like to attend school in Victorian times at the Chiltern Open Air Museum. On the same day, Year 6 went to the Chiltern Hills to take part in a Gymnastics Festival. Mr Weatherill said it was one of the best festivals he has attended, and the children were really disappointed when it was time to leave. Also on Wednesday, the Year 5 Mini Vinnies visited Immaculate Heart of Mary in Great Missenden to take part in a Day of Service. They celebrated Mass with the parishioners and then served them tea and coffee. They completed lots of jobs around the church and made gifts for the residents of Rayners Care Home in Hyde Heath. The children really enjoyed singing and chatting with the residents. There is nothing better than seeing the young and old inspiring each other.

Finally, the highlight of the week: today was the Reception Nativity. What an absolutely amazing performance! All of the children were so confident. There is nothing quite like it to remind us of the real meaning of Christmas. As I said this morning, if you think that was fantastic, you should see what the staff do with them day in and day out.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Holdsworth



Chaplaincy

A couple of things we would like to invite you to. Firstly, we have our Feast Day Mass on Monday, 8th December, in school at 2 pm. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible. Also, this year the Key Stage 2 Carol Service will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Great Missenden. Although it is a bit further, it is a lovely venue with adequate parking. The local car parks will really help to accommodate all of us attending the church.



Reception 2026-2027

Just a reminder to parents of children due to start in September that the deadline for applications is 15th January. There is only a short window after Christmas, so please ensure applications are submitted promptly. If you know of any families considering a school place for next year, please encourage them to come and have a look around.

Mr Holdsworth

A very busy OLS PTA

The PTA have been incredibly busy recently organising Gift Rooms, the Hollyberry Boogie, Wreath Nights, and even finding time to help decorate the school. We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated team. While raising funds is important, what matters most is the wonderful sense of community these events create.

A huge thank you to Laura and her amazing team for all that you do!

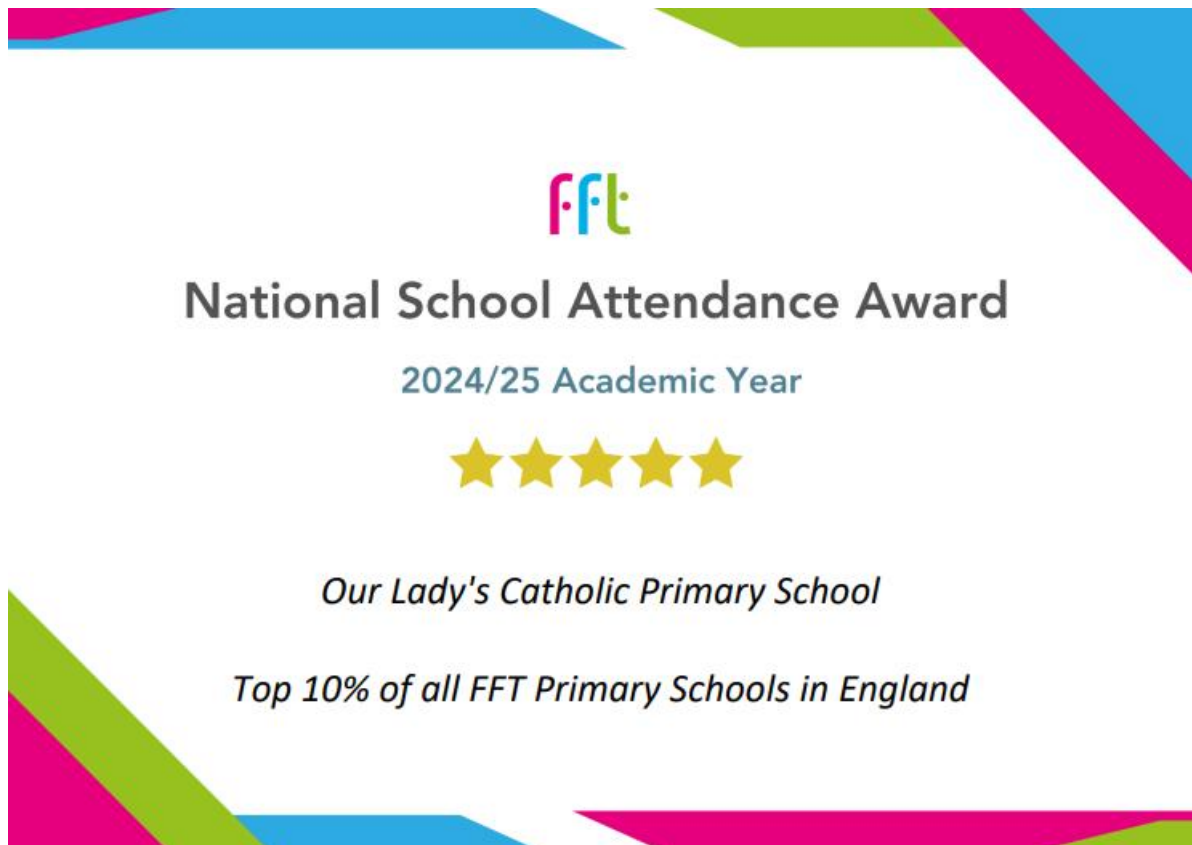


Term Dates and Attendance

This week, the Local Academy Committee agreed next year's term dates. There will be 188 pupil days, and each day costs the state approximately £35. It is vital that children attend every day unless they are genuinely too ill to be in school. Please make sure you know when we return in September so your child gets off to the best possible start. You can find the term dates here:

[Our-Ladys-Primary-School-Term-Dates-2026-2027-v2.pdf](#)

On a really positive note, we have just been awarded a National School Attendance Award! Well done everyone!



St Aidan's Nativity

Advent has arrived. The Children's Nativity Mass on Christmas Eve draws near. Would everyone who wishes to join in as a reader or performer of the Christmas Gospel please come to our first rehearsal after Sunday's Mass on 15 December 2024.

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
Ambrose	Aariv	Jessica	Sofia	Keera	Tamsin
	Theresa	Reuben	Evie	Alyssa	Sienna-Rose
	Mayra	Joseph	Arthur	Chloe	Evie
	Manny	Laiza	Rory	James	Donnie
	Margot	Layla	Ruby	Szymon	Dominic
	Freddie	Alex	Josephine	Michael C	Elizabeth
	Joseph P	Rex	Ann	Michael F	Rory
	Bettie	Maksim	Juno	Joseph	Simeon
	Gaia	Oliver	Elena	Cuthbert	Liam
		Rory	Francesca	Mason	Stash
		Charlie	Thomas	Misha	AJ
		Leon	Allison	Victoria	Eleanor
		Anastasia	Roberto	Hansini	Jude
		Noelia	Zoe	Cat Cat	Arthur
		Isaac	Zachary	Julia	Jacob
		Varun	Arthur	Elise	Erica
		Antonio	Ralph	Xavier	Aliza
		Harvey	Niamh	Antra	Florence
		Tosia	Olivia	Annie	Erin
			Caolan	Klara	Olive
			Eugenie	Hanna	Divine
			Martha	Nikolay	Hugo
			Genevieve	Minchun	
			Peregrine		
			Daisy		
			Martha		
			Jan		
			Nathan		

Gratitude Assembly Certificates





Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Mika, Zoe
Year 2	Luke, Mila-Rose
Year 3	Layla, Robin W
Year 4	Alex, Sofia
Year 5	Cat Cat, Keera
Year 6	Grace, Simeon





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 **olscheshambois** Thank you to all those parents, children and staff who decorated the school yesterday. There is a very Christmassy feel in school. [#OLSChristmas](#) [#OLSAdvent](#) [#OLSStayAwake](#)
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 **olscheshambois** As part of their geography, looking at Tenby. Year4 took part in a live Q&A session with a Tenby resident this afternoon. They put together a list of questions relating to Tenby and finding out more about the area. [#OLSYear4](#) [#OLSgeography](#)
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olscheshambois Year 3 enjoying lighting fires at their last Forest School
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Jonny Houlihan • Life Is Good (Instrumental)

olscheshambois Year Two had an amazing time at Chiltern Open Air Museum today. We learnt all about school and toys in the Victorian times, ready for our History topic next term. #OLSYear2 #OLSHistory @chilternoam
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olscheshambois Year 6 at Gymnastics Festival Chiltern Hills Academy. Thank you @cha_peandsport #OLSYear6 #OLSpe
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Instrumental Hymns and Worship • Awesome God



olscheshambois Mini Vinnies on tour, bringing Faith, Hope and Love to our community! #OLSMiniVinnies #OLSYear5 #OLSBuildingTheKingdom #OLSPupilLeadership
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News From The Parishes

Youth Masses

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)

For catering purposes, please email Federica (federica@olschesham.co.uk) if your child is planning to attend the Youth Club.

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

Also, this SATURDAY there is a YOUTH MASS at St Aidan's at 6.15pm so all the OLS children are invited to take part. Anyone wishing to join the choir/band or to read should arrive by 6pm and meet Federica.