



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

Faith . Hope . Love

5th July 2024

"Wow!!!" That was the word I heard most often on Monday when the children came in and saw the Art Exhibition – Faith, Hope, Love - which Nancy installed over the weekend. Every child has their work displayed and the results are even more beautiful than we imagined. It has really transformed the space which we are hoping to use going forward as a prayer space. I know we have sent some pictures out on Instagram but I'm hoping over the next few weeks you will get the chance to come in and see for real. It really is amazing.

It was fantastic to see so many Year 6 families at our annual camp night last weekend. The children's journey at Our Lady's starts off with a delightful family barbeque organised by the PTA, and we round it off with another enjoyable barbeque during the camp night. What a wonderful way for the children to begin and end their life at Our Lady's!

On Tuesday, Year 4 had an exciting trip to Amersham Museum as part of their Tudor history topic. After exploring the museum, we strolled back to school through the beautiful woods and Hervines Park. These local trips are great, especially with the rising costs of coach travel in recent years.

Yesterday was a fun day out for both Year 3 and Year 4 as we visited Adams Park, the home of Wycombe Wanderers. The children have been involved in a project focusing on the issues associated with fizzy drinks. We hope you've noticed them reaching for water more often now!

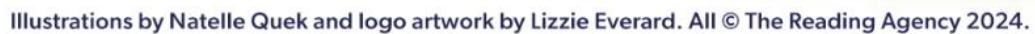
Finally, yesterday we had our end of year violin assembly. It was Mrs Miller's last assembly before she retires. Every year, I'm astonished at how good they are and the progress they make. Enjoy your retirement Mrs Miller and we hope to see you back in the audience next year.

Have a lovely weekend,
God Bless

M. Holden



On Monday, we had two librarians from Chesham Library come in to speak to the children. They are very excited as the new library is opening in a couple of weeks on the 15th May. They did let the children know about the Summer Reading Challenge which I would really encourage children to take part in. Although the children need a rest over the summer, it is really important that they continue to read and this is a good way of encouraging them.



News From The Parishes

ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):

Website: <https://stcolumbas.church/>

Priests: Fr Dave & Fr Giacomo

Mass times: on SUNDAYS only

@ 9am (traditional choir)

@ 6pm (Youth Band)

NOTE: Registrations for the First Holy Communion programme 2024/2025 are now open. Please email the parish office: parish.stcolumba@northamptondiocese.org

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (IHM) in Great Missenden:

Website: <https://www.ihmmissenden.org.uk/>

Priests: Fr Dave & Fr Giacomo

Mass times:

Every SATURDAY @ 6pm

Every SUNDAY @ 11am

St Aidan's Church

Priest: Father Roy

Mass times:

Every SATURDAY @ 6.15 pm

Every SUNDAY @ 11 am

@ 9 am (Polish Mass)

Our Lady's Church

Priest: Father Roy

Mass times:

Every SATURDAY @ 5 pm

Every SUNDAY @ 9 am (including children's liturgy, including during the holidays)

OLOPS toddler group is every Friday of term time, 9:15-10:30. All parents/carers with children aged from birth to school age are welcome. We have playtime, singing and a snack, and if you have an older child at OLS, you are welcome to come as soon as you have dropped them off at school. We request a voluntary donation of £1-£2.

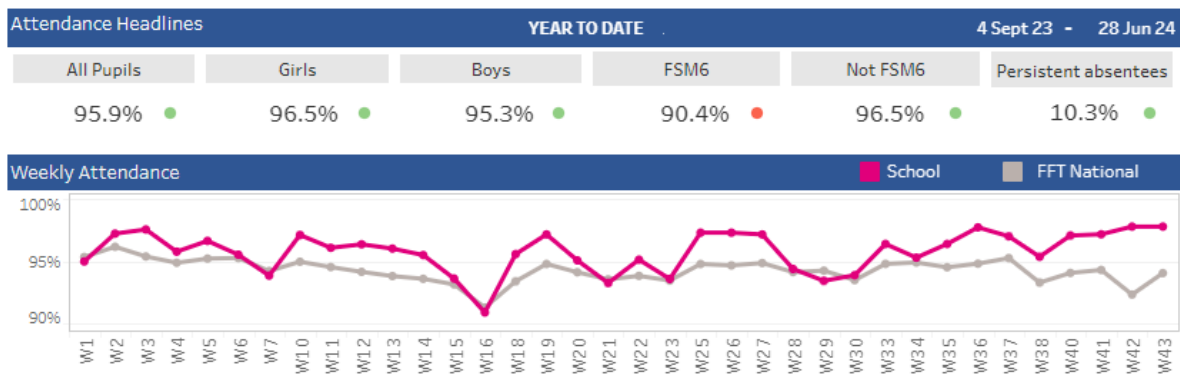
Last week Our Lady's celebrated with their First Holy Communicants as they celebrated the Feast of St Peter and St Paul



Attendance



Our excellent attendance continues. The attendance really is great at the moment. Well done everyone.



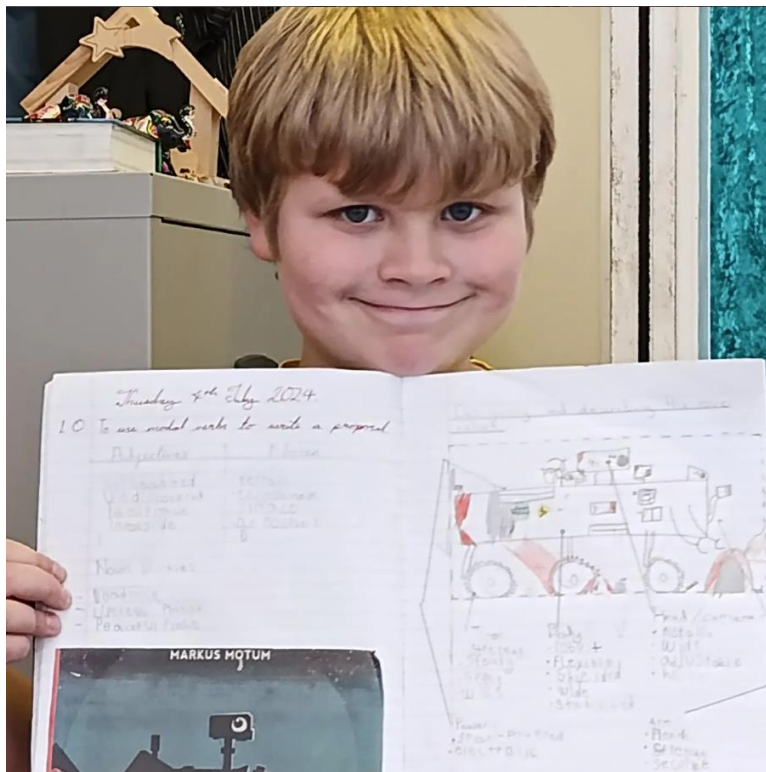
Gratitude Assembly Certificates

Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Laiza, Marilyn
Year 2	Roberto, Senuk
Year 3	Isabelle, Adam
Year 4	Sienna - Rose, Rory
Year 5	Finley H, Mark
Year 6	Bella, Ben

#OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:



- olscheshambois
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- teresawatson7 Oh how I miss this young man. 🥰💙 4 h Reply

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- olscheshambois
- olscheshambois Year 2 are learning all about plants and in particular the life cycle #OLSScience #OLSSYear2 #OLSSewardship 5 h

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olscheshambois An amazing violin assembly this morning
#OLSMusic
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olscheshambois Year 4 had a lovely trip this morning. Meeting in the Amersham Memorial gardens, then to the Amersham museum and then a walk home via Hervines park. Great to go on trips that don't involve expensive coaches #OLSHistory #OLSYear4

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teresaawatson7 🍌🍌🍌💙

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sharondodd This is incredible OLS 🤩 I'm blown away by this artwork
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estheribbs Wow!!! What a beautiful environment for the children 🇬🇧
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nicolabrown30 Looks really lovely!
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roo_and_lou_plus_two Stunning 🤩
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olscheshambois A massive thank you to the PTA who have bought us some new fully decodable reading books. You will be seeing more of these instead of the Oxford Reading Tree books #OLSLiteracy
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Year 6 camping #OLYear6


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July 2024

The final few weeks of the school year probably bring mixed feelings: the excitement and relief that the holidays are near may, for some, be tinged with a little sadness that the year is coming to an end, particularly for families with children preparing to leave for new challenges ahead.

July's resources encourage children to think about how they see themselves and others, to pray for children throughout the world, and to look back at the year with gratitude.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout July and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

Great Expectations

The Gospel for the week beginning 8th July tells us that Jesus wasn't accepted in His hometown. Rather than believing or trusting in Him, they despised Him. This week's assembly considers the idea of first impressions and expectations through a traditional tale about a lion and a mouse. Children are encouraged to invite the Holy Spirit to raise their expectations of themselves and others, have open minds and hearts, and love everyone they meet.

With your child, you might also like to...

- *Talk about how first impressions and/or stereotyping often impact how we see ourselves and others. How can we treat ourselves and others with fairness and kindness?*
- *This might be a good opportunity to talk with your child about their talents, hopes and aspirations and discuss how having faith in Jesus and His power can help us to grow in hope and love for God and other people.*

God's Global Family

The last few days of June saw the joint feast day of St Peter and St Paul. These two great Saints continued Jesus' work and the Church grew. Thanks to people like St Peter and St Paul, the family of God spread far and wide and we have brothers and sisters in Christ, all over the world!

Taking inspiration from the work of the charity 'Mission Together', the prayers this week will enable children to celebrate belonging to God's universal family.

Children are encouraged to pray using the Mission Rosary, with each colour representing a different continent of the world. This is a lovely way to join our prayers with Mary as we think about and pray for children in different parts of the world.

With your child, you might like to...

- *Find out about children in the different continents and countries of the world using the interactive [Mission Together Map](https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/collective-worship/) along with other resources from [Mission Together](https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/collective-worship/).*
- *Explore the prayers and mysteries of the Rosary using our special Rosary resource.*

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/collective-worship/>

For All You Give

The theme of the final daily prayers for this school year is thankfulness, with a focus on looking back at the good things that children have been part of during the year.

Children will spend time in a posture of gratitude to God and be invited to respond in prayer to the good things 'He has showered on us'.

You might like to spend some time looking back over the year with your child, encouraging an attitude of thankfulness and gratitude.

Why not use this short rhyming prayer to conclude your personal or family prayer time...

Heavenly Father,
I'm grateful for all you give...
For food,
For love,
For a place to live.
I'm thankful for my family too
And want to tell
My love for you.
In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

Accelerated Reader

The children who are already above their target and are higher than 85% in their quizzes are:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sofia	Amelie	Tamsin	Archie	Pierce
Arthur	Alyssa	Sienna-Rose	Charlie K	
Rory	James	Donnie	Michael	Shuan
Josephine	Szymon	Elizabeth	Finn	Ellie
Francesca	Malwina	Simeon	Dominik	Eliza
Olivia	Renske	Grace	Robert	Kome
Alex	Mason	Andrew	Hannah	Matylda
	Misha	Eleanor	Curtis	Hannah
	Hansini	Jude		Franek
	Xavier	Arthur		
	Sharvil	Lorcan		
	Klara	Aliza		
		Hansika		
		Florence		
		Erin		
		Olive		

Millionaire Readers

Shaun – Year 6
Cat Cat – Year 3
Jude – Year 4
Tamsin – Year 4
Jacob – Year 4
Curtis - Year 5

Double Millionaire

Sherlyn – Year 6
Arthur – Year 4
Matilda – Year 6
Dominik – Year 5

Triple Millionaire Readers

Harry – Year 6