



5th June 2026

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, everyone. I hope you had a great half-term break - I certainly did! I can't remember a May half term with such amazing weather. Hopefully, you and your families were able to spend as much time outside as I did.

This week has been incredibly busy. I spent a couple of days at another school reviewing their Catholic life and Religious Education, so it is great to be back today. I've also been keenly following the school Instagram page and seeing all the fantastic learning that has been taking place.

The Year 5 and Year 6 children have been working with our artists in residence, Nancy and George, this week. We are so lucky to have them working with us. Year 5 have been making ceramic crosses, and Year 6 have been painting their favourite memories of Our Lady's on silk. It is wonderful to have this built into the curriculum, and I know that the other children have been asking when it will be their turn.

Also, this week, all of the children have taken part in a first aid workshop. They have learnt how to call the emergency services, perform CPR, put someone in the recovery position, help someone who is burnt, and what to do if someone is choking, among many other skills. These are excellent life skills for the children to learn, and we hope they will continue to draw on them in the future.

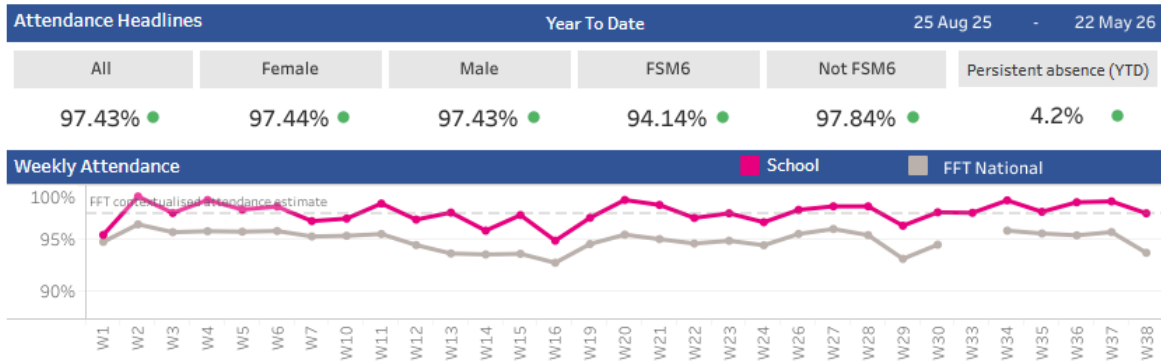
Finally, I would just like to thank the Year 6 children whom we took away at the end of last term. They were an absolute pleasure to be with - really well behaved, while also being great fun! It won't be long now until they leave us, but without a shadow of a doubt, they are ready for the next stage of their education.

Have a great weekend,

God bless,
Mr Holdsworth

Attendance

Our attendance continues to creep upwards. We now have a green dot in every single area which is really positive. Our overall attendance is creeping up towards 97.5% which is the point where I promised the children an ice-cream so keep up the good work.



Leavers

We are getting to that time of year when some families move into the area and others move away. We are always sad to see families leave, but we understand that sometimes circumstances mean this cannot be avoided.

However, it is important that we know as early as possible if families are leaving so that we can offer places to new families. The school's funding is based on the number of children on roll at the end of September, so it is vital that we are as full as possible as we move into the new academic year.

If you are planning to leave, please could you inform us in writing so that we can offer your child's place to another family.

Thank you for your understanding

Soft Start

Please can I remind parents that although we have a soft start the children shouldn't be dropped off until 8.45 am and they must be in school by 9.00 am. There is no supervision on the playground in the morning.

If your child arrives before 8.30 am and you aren't here, they will be put into Breakfast club, and you will be charged.

Thank you
Mr Holdsworth

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
Rose	Theresa	Jessica	Harish	Alyssa	Tamsin
Mika	Mayra	Reuben	Sofia	Chloe	Giovanni
Zoe	Manny	Cairo	Evie	James	Dominik
Patrick	Thomas	Joseph	Arthur	Michael C	Elizabeth
Ambrose	Margot	Alex	Rory	Malwina	Rory
Bertie	Bettie	Maksim	Ruby	Renske	Simeon
	Minmanee	Oliver	Josephine	Joseph	Stash
	Julian	Rory	Ann	Cuthbert	AJ
		Sofia	Juno	Mason	Eleanor
		Noelia	Francesca	Misha	Jude
		Isaac	Thomas	Victoria	Arthur
		Robyn	Allison	Hansini	Jacob
		Harvey	Roberto	Maadhavan	Nathan
			Zoe	Cat Cat	Aliza
			Zachary	Elise	Thomas
			Arthur	Xavier	Hansika
			Ralph	Sharvil	Erin
			Niamh	Annie	Olive
			Olivia	Catherine	Hugo
			Caolan	Klara	Emilio
			Martha	Hanna	
			Genevieve	Nikolay	
			Daisy	Minchun	
			Jan		
			Nathan		
			Mason		


Please remember ensuring your child is reading every day is the most important thing you can do for them educationally.



These children have gone green in Times Table RockStars which means they know all of their times table facts. New children this week in bold:

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Manny	Alex	Sofia	Joseph	Elizabeth
	Lorenzo	Arthur	Alysa	Eleanor
	Varun	Rory	James	Arthur
	Rory	Ruby	Szymon	Jaeda
	Ayla	Josephine	Malwina	Karo
	Rex	Ann	Adam	Aliza
		Francesca	Michael F	Emilio
		Thomas	Hansini	Divine
		Zoe	Cat Cat	Florence
		Niamh	Klara	Jude
		Olivia	Hanna	Hugo
		Jan	Misha	Tamsin
		Nathan	Sharvil	Sienna Rose
		Allison	Alise	Dominik
		Mason	Antra	Hansika
		Artie	Minchun	Stash
		Genevieve	Victoria	Donnie
		Harrish	Mason	Bianca
		Peregrine		Erin
		Daisy		Jacob
		Coalan		
		Juno		

#OLS Learning



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olscheshambois Our artists in residence, Nancy and George, were with year five again today working on their unique ceramic crosses. #OLSart #OLSyear5 #OLSRE

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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)

YOUTH MASS on Sunday 7th June @ 6pm

YOUTH CLUB on Saturday 6th June @ 5-7pm (with music practice, pizza, games and...some gardening!)

Everybody welcome!

IHM - Great Missenden

Parish Priest: Fr Mirek Misiura

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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

Our Lady's First Holy Communion Saturday 16th May at 12.00