



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

"A place of learning – A community of Christ"

9th June 2023

Dear Parents,


I hope you had a lovely half term and have enjoyed the improving weather. This week has been incredibly busy, and the children seem ready for their last half term preparing for moving into a new class.

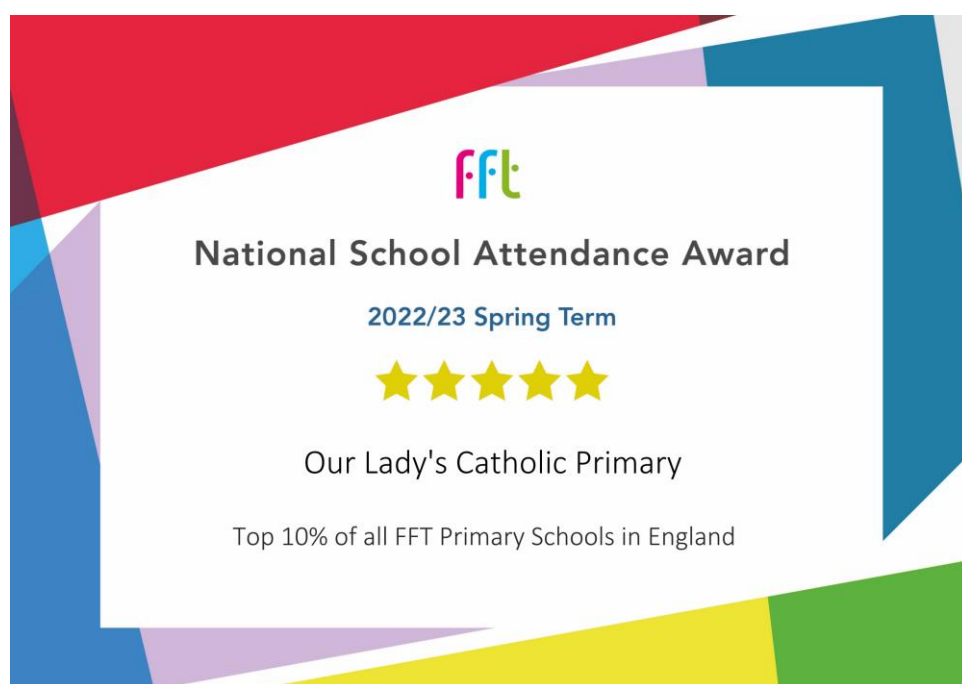
Over half term, we were awarded with an FFT spring term certificate for being in the 10% of schools for attendance. We were also in the top 10% of similar schools which is great news. We did have a certificate in the autumn term, but it was for being in the top 25% so it is great that we have improved even further. Thank you for your commitment to your children's education.

Finally, this week Mrs Cid-Fuentes and Miss Green have been at the final Erasmus Knife and Fork teachers meeting in France. It is an opportunity for all the schools to evaluate the project and celebrate our achievements. It really has been a great success and although Year 6 seem to have had the most benefit, it has been great for the other children too. Although following Brexit we can't be involved in any more Erasmus projects, hopefully we will have made some friends who will be happy to work with us so that we can take advantage of the UK's Turing funding in the future.

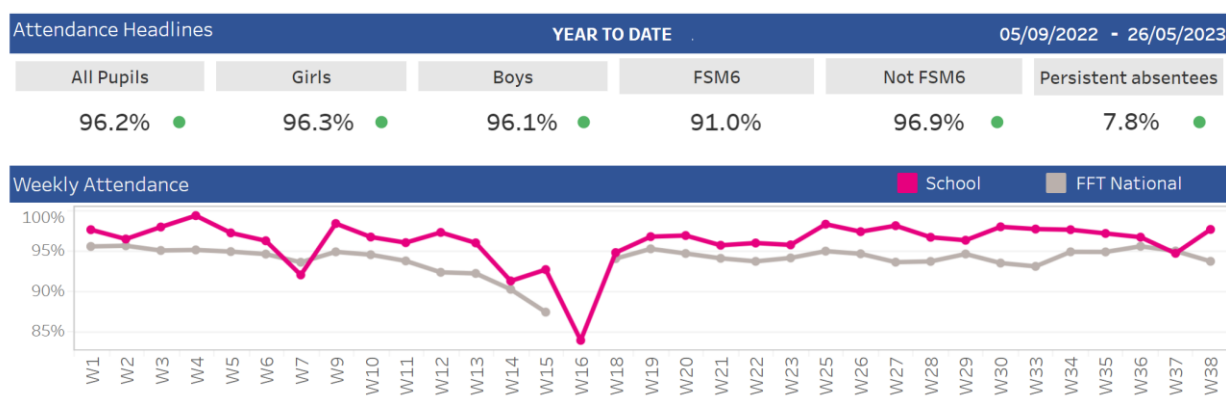
Have a lovely weekend,

God bless,

M. Hold 



Attendance



Academic Year 2023/2024

31st May is the day that every headteacher dreads – it is the last day teachers can resign before the next academic year. Fortunately, there were no surprises for me. However, there are some changes to class teachers as a result of Miss Green's new role with STCAT and the fact that Mrs Lally will be returning part time. Next year the class teachers will be as follows:

Reception – Mrs Simpson/Mrs Watson

Year 1 – Mrs Copley

Year 2 – Mrs Kolodynski

Year 3 – Mrs Gardner

Year 4 – Mrs Mazzoni

Year 5 – Mrs Cid-Fuentes

Year 6 – Mr Weatherill

The teachers are looking forward to meeting the children on our moving up day in July.

Lay Chaplain



We are currently looking to employ a lay chaplain for September 2 days a week. The successful candidate will develop and promote the vibrant Catholic life of each school, encouraging all to be a part of our mission. They will work with all members of the community to ensure the school's Catholic ethos is maintained and its spiritual values known and lived. They will ensure liturgical celebrations are promoted, the pastoral needs of the school are met, and links are made and established between school, parish, home, faith and community groups. You need to have lots of enthusiasm and excellent people skills alongside a warm, caring personality. The ability to communicate effectively with pupils and other staff is essential.

If you know anyone who might be interested, then please pass on the link below which has the application form and information:

www.mynewterm.com/jobs/148673/EDV-2023-OLCPS-50289

Sports Day

This year, OLS Sports Day will be held on Friday 30th June. We hope you are as excited as the children are! Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be taking part in lots of fun activities in the morning (9:30 start) including: Sprints, Relays, Bean Bag Throws, Skipping, Ball Balance and Hopping Ladders. Key Stage 2 will be participating in lots of races in the afternoon (1:30 start) including Sprints, Skipping, Egg and Spoon, Sack Race and a Relay.

Parents and guardians are more than welcome to come and cheer the children on. The main focus of sports day is being active and having fun! All the events will be held on the paddock. To access the paddock, follow the path to the left of the church and keep on walking.

On the day, children can come dressed in their PE kits to school.

Mr. Holdsworth and the OLS Team

OLS Discretionary Trust

I met with the Our Lady's Trust this week. It is sometimes easy to forget the things that they fund such as the school library, interactive whiteboards, PE equipment etc etc. They have donated well over £100, 000 to the school over the years. A really big thank you to anyone who is already donating and if you aren't then please consider if you can afford to.

Donating is easy. Simply set up a monthly standing order for the amount of your choice. Any amount donated is gratefully appreciated. We do suggest £10 for the first child and £5 for each additional child and £20 for a family of 3 or more children.

You can easily set up a standing order either at your local branch or over the internet using the following bank details:

BANK: HSBC BANK PLC, AMERSHAM ON THE HILL

A/C NAME: OUR LADY'S DISCRETIONARY TRUST

SORT CODE 40-08-41

ACCOUNT NUMBER 21375113

Thank you

Mr Holdsworth

Lunchtime Help

We are currently looking to employ some more midday supervisors. If you are interested, then please see this advert. Also, if you just want to give a couple of hours help a week, we are happy to have some volunteers. It is a great time of year to spend some time in the sunshine!!!

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/>

Rocksteady

**Dear parents,
At OLS we now offer music lessons led by Rock Steady.**

Ian, our Rock Steady band leader has put together a short message detailing how your child can get involved. Please click on the link below and select OLS from the list.

If your child wishes to get involved, they can sign up for a free trial lesson. Please inform Mrs Copley if you wish to get involved.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OfbEokziPDWNdlI4eiaK-FL4ISb7sp4h?usp=sharing>

Good News Certificates



Last week's Gratitude Assembly certificates were awarded to:

Year 1	Eugenie, Meghan
Year 2	Logan, Keera
Year 3	Arthur, Jaeda
Year 4	Charlie, Wanda
Year 5	Ethan, Ellie

@OLScheshambois




Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:



**olscheshambois**
oma.uk • (OMA Cover) Let Me Blow Ya Mind


**olscheshambois** This was a nice surprise to come back to and just in time for Coach Jenner #OLSport
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 Post




**olscheshambois**


**olscheshambois** This young man has been incredibly helpful in the library this morning. We definitely have a budding librarian in our midst
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olscheshambois ...

olscheshambois Year 4 have been learning about the parable of the lost sheep. They have written their own versions. #OISRE
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olscheshambois ...

olscheshambois Having great fun at a tennis festival with the Misbourne this afternoon #OLSport
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Accelerated Reader

Words Read	
Year 6	17,021,158 words
Year 5	14,560,999 words
Year 4	9,629,445 words
Year 3	2,932,521 words

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)

Meeting Targets and above 85% in

Quizzes

Year 2

Malwina

Klara

Year 3

Tamsin

Sienna-Rose

Donnie

Elizabeth

Sean

Eleanor

Jude

Karo

Shanaya

Thomas

Florence

Erin

Chanuga

Year 4

Leo

Ralph

Charlie K

Finlay M-S

Finn

Robert

Emily

Curtis

Year 5

Leo

Double Millionaire Readers

Dominik (Year 4)

Sherlyn (Year 5)

Triple Millionaire Readers

Kenandra (Year 6)

Ula (Year 6)

Pierce

Karamo

Ellie

Kome

Lena

Grace

Ethan

Sabrina

Emilio

Luna

Year 6

Wiktor

Molly

Blazej

Ewan

Lucy

Thomas

Eryk

Alex

Bella

Amelia

Matthew

Pranav