



9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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
This week has only been four days, but it is my favourite week of the year. I love International Day and evening. It is a day about building a community which is so important. A massive thank you to the PTA who organised everything including a Samba workshop which was great fun. Also thank you to everyone who contributed to the evening. It was lovely to try all the different foods in the evening. We really are a diverse community with families from all over the world. It is amazing to be able to celebrate this diversity.

Also, this week, Year One and Year Two had Forest School on Tuesday, Year Four went to a frisbee festival on Wednesday and Reception have been to Odds Farm today. It is a lovely time of year to take the children's learning beyond the classroom.

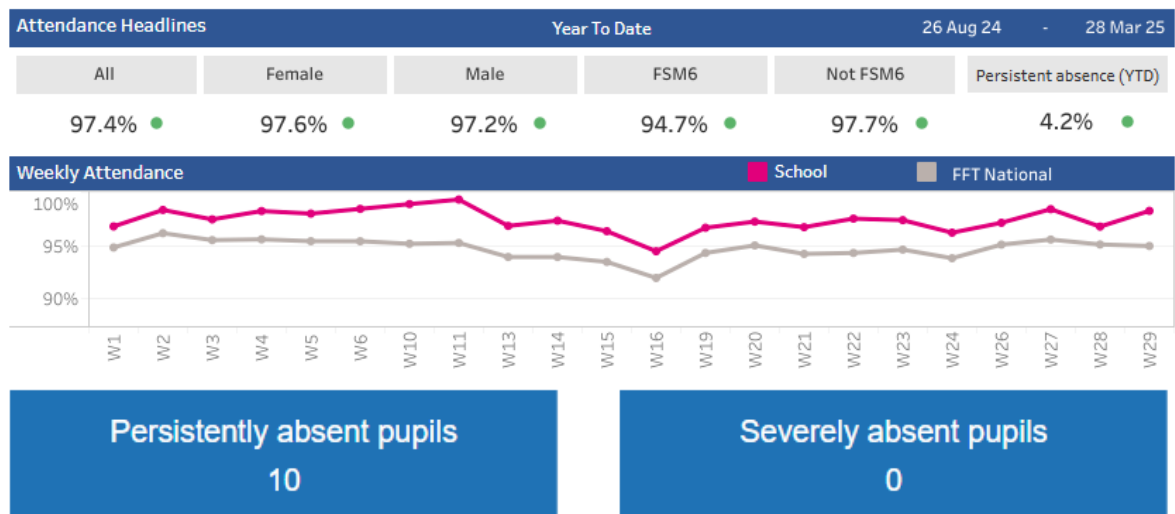
Finally, I would like to wish all the children receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend the best of luck. I'm sure they are going to have a fabulous day.

Have a lovely weekend

God Bless

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# Attendance



Just a reminder that children who are persistently absent from school each year will miss more than **266 days** of school which is basically about **a year and a half**.

## **Gratitude Assembly Certificates**



Last week's Gratitude Assembly Certificates:

Year 1	Agnes, Luke
Year 2	Rosie, Rex
Year 3	Rory, Jan
Year 4	Aoife, Antra
Year 5	Liam, Donnie
Year 6	Dominik. Michael M

## News From The Parishes

### JUBILEE OUTREACH in the local parishes

The children from OLS have been invited to sing at the **First Holy Communion Mass** at **St Aidan's** church in Little Chalfont on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 12noon.**

**ST COLUMBA'S** 

**YOUTH MUSIC GROUP & CLUB** 



**WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS**

EVERY SUNDAY @6PM FOR MASS

SATURDAY MONTHLY PRACTICE  
(5-6PM) FOLLOWED BY  
YOUTH CLUB (6-7PM) WITH PIZZA, GAMES,  
ARTS & CRAFT

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT: [FEDERICA@OLSCESHAM.CO.UK](mailto:FEDERICA@OLSCESHAM.CO.UK)

## Youth Masses

**IHM – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 11am** (followed by refreshments in the hall)

**St COLUMBA – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm** (choir practice and youth club on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 5-7pm in the church hall)

### **ST COLUMBA'S (Chesham):**

*Parish Priest: Fr Eustace Durugbo*

*email: [freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org)*

Sunday Masses @ 9am (traditional choir) & 6pm (Youth Band/ Choir)

Polish Mass @ 12 noon (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month)

### **IHM – Great Missenden**

*Parish Priest: Fr Eustace Durugbo*

*email: [freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:freustace.durugbo@northamptondiocese.org)*

Sunday Mass @ 11am (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*

Sunday Mass times:

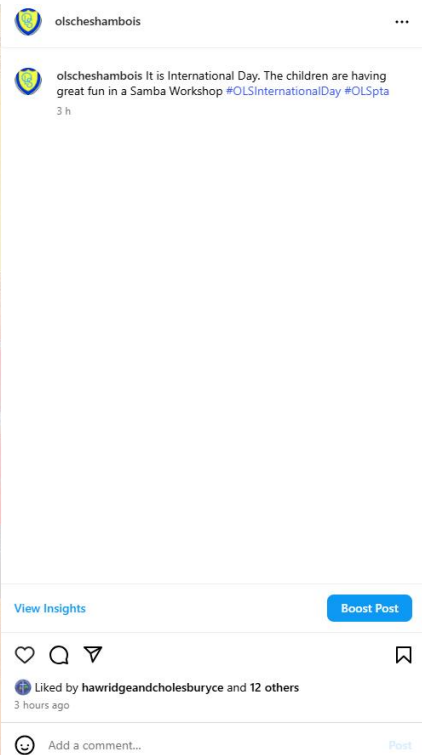
Our Lady's - Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 9 am (with children's liturgy and a choir for children in Year 3 and above - all welcome to come and sing, and there's a brief practice after Mass)

St Aidan's - Saturday 6:15 pm; Sunday 9 am (Polish Mass) and 11 am

Children are the future of our Church and are always welcome at Mass, but parents often worry about small children getting restless and disturbing other members of the congregation. As well as children's liturgy at the 9:00 Sunday Mass, Our Lady's Church now has a speaker set up in the guildroom. This allows you to continue to follow the Mass if your toddler needs a break from sitting still.

# #OLScheshambois

Here is a quick snapshot of our learning this week:





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olscheshambois The environment committee did a great job planting trees today. They come up with some ideas to improve the school gardens. OLSatholicSocialTeaching #OLSPupilLeadership #OLSLeadingWithLove  
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## May 2025

May begins and we are still in the season of Eastertide. As we continue to celebrate the Risen Jesus, we are invited to get to know Him; to recognise Jesus in our lives, listen to His voice and follow Him.

We also celebrate Mary our Mother, as May is traditionally the month of Mary. Many parishes and schools will be honouring Our Lady with spring flowers in May Processions and opportunities to pray the Rosary.

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

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