

# Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Learning to Love, Loving to Learn



Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

Singing definitely seems to be the main theme of this week. From children practicing for Nativities and the carol service to performances at Princethorpe College and the hospital, the sound of music has definitely been heard. The children performed beautifully and we know that their singing brought joy to the hearts of those who were listening.



Next week our KS1 children will be performing their Nativity. They are all very excited and I have been really impressed by their confident speaking and singing. On Friday KS2 will be singing once again in the annual Carol Service at Princethorpe College. Tickets for both events are on sale now.

Finally, thank you to all those who have sent in photos of your activities from our Advent Calendar. If you haven't yet seen it, it can be found by clicking on the following link.

[Advent Calendar](#)

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Burch

Follow us on



@OurPrincethorpe

We are all really looking forward to welcoming you to the PTA Christmas Fayre this afternoon. Thank you to all of those who have worked incredibly hard to organise what I am sure will be an amazing event.

| December 2023   |   |
|---|---|
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December<br>9:30am<br>5:00pm | KS1 Nativity                            |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December<br>9:10am            | EYFS Class Liturgy<br>(Parents welcome) |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December<br>6:00pm start        | KS2 Carol Concert at Princethorpe       |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December<br>9:30am<br>5:00pm    | EYFS Nativity                           |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December<br>3:15pm-4:30pm    | EYFS/KS1 Christmas Disco                |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December<br>3:15pm-5:00pm     | KS2 Christmas Disco                     |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December                        | Last Day of Term                        |
| January 2024  |   |
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January                          | Teacher Training Day                    |
| Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January                         | Children return to school               |

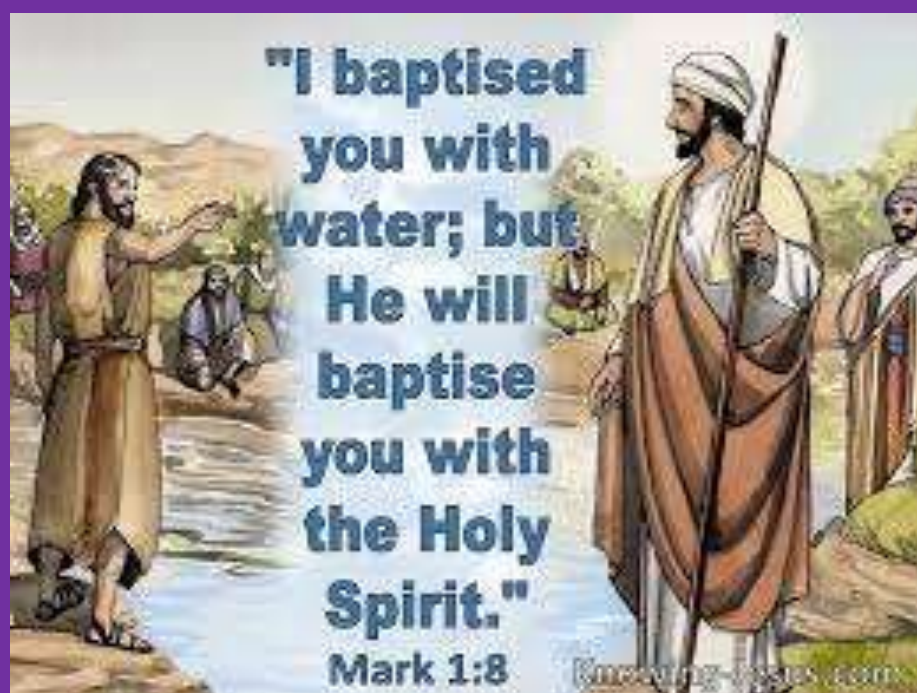


## This coming Sunday's Gospel 2nd Sunday of Advent

(Cycle B)

### Mark 1: 1-8

In this week's Gospel John prepares the way for Jesus and announces that Jesus is more powerful. Advent is a time for getting ready for us to prepare the way for Jesus. Will we be ready to announce His arrival, like the angels on Christmas Day?



[Wednesday Word](#)

Catholic Life,  
Prayer and RE at  
Our Lady's

### Advent Candles

The second Advent candle represents Peace. Last week we focused on hope and how we can be the incarnation of that hope to those around us who are hurting. This week as we turn to look at Peace, we see that one way that we can bring that hope into the world is to be peacemakers.



Father God,  
as we get ready to welcome Jesus,  
open our hearts to listen to your Word.  
Open our hearts to share your love.  
Help us to be messengers of your love  
through all that we say and all that we do.  
Amen

Gospel Virtues – **Attentive** and **Discerning**

Pupils at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School are growing to be...

**attentive** to their experiences and to their vocations; and **discerning** about the choices they make and the effects of those choices... by promoting the practice of **attentive** reflection and **discerning** decision making: in teaching, in prayer, during retreats; and through the practice and example of school leaders and staff.

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## Workers Of The Week



Nursery/  
Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Whole school

## Attendance & Punctuality

Whole School 96 😊

Year R

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Back next week

## Next School Week at a Glance



Date

Time

Activity

Mon 11<sup>h</sup> Dec

9.30 -10am

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

3.15 - 4.15pm

Hotshots Basketball

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec

9.30am  
5pm

KS1 Nativity  
Tickets available on ParentPay

Thurs 14<sup>st</sup> Dec

9.10am

Nursery/Reception Class Liturgy  
Parents Welcome

Fri 15<sup>h</sup> Dec

3.15 -5pm  
6pm

Y3-6 Rehearsal at Princethorpe College  
IRISH DANCING  
(Please also see message below from Declan)  
KS2 Carol Service at Princethorpe College

Sunday Mass  
St Anne's Wappenbury  
Princethorpe Chapel

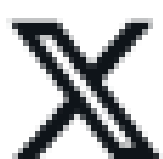
8:30am  
10.30am  
Holyday Masses as announced  
Confessions as announced

<https://stanneswappenbury.wordpress.com/weekly-bulletin/>

## School Lottery

Please consider signing up if you haven't already.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe>



For up to date information and sharing what we are up to –  
keep an eye on our  feed  
@OurPrincethorpe



**Friday 8th December**

2:30pm on wards-  
Christmas Fayre

**Wednesday 20th December**

3:15pm-4:30pm-  
EYFS/KS1 Christmas Disco

**Thursday 21st December**

3:15pm-5:00pm-  
KS2 Christmas Disco

## COMMUNICATION for Breakfast & Afterschool Club

Please could parents communicate with Mrs Daly and Mrs Chapman via the Class Dojo app regarding all Breakfast & Afterschool matters.

**Christmas Trees**

**Non-Drop Nordmann Fir**

**4ft-8ft & Potted Trees for Sale**

Locally Grown Trees

- Wreaths
- Fire Logs
- Tree Stands
- Kindling
- Hot Drinks & Cakes

Open from 25th November:  
Weds 5.30pm - 8pm  
Thurs - Sunday 10am - 8pm

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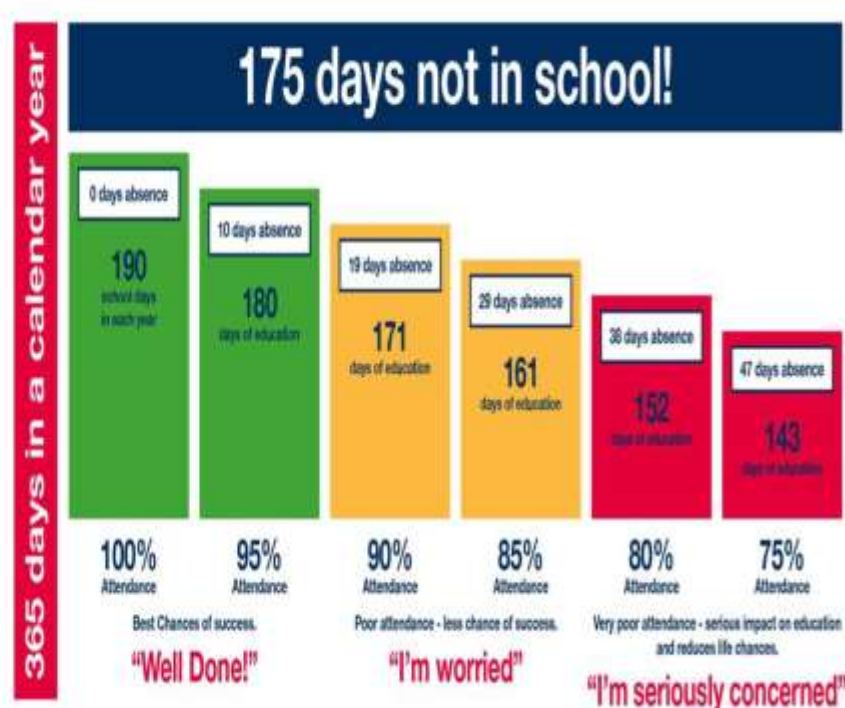
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Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days



## ABSENCE

Following our absence policy – please could parents report all absences by 10am on each day of absence; stating the actual reason for the absence and when your child is likely to return to school. No reason will result in an unauthorised absence.

Parents are also reminded that children may not return to school for 48 hours after the last incident of sickness &/or diarrhoea.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation in keeping all our children and staff healthy.



For your information

**THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND**

BOYS AND GIRLS FUN NEW YEAR FOOTBALL CAMP  
WOLSTON LEISURE CENTRE 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
£19 A DAY OR £76 FOR THE WEEK. 9AM – 3PM  
EARLY DROP OFF AVAILABLE  
SUITABLE FOR AGES 4 - 13 YEARS

For more information please contact:  
E: [nick.gray@thefootballplayground.academy](mailto:nick.gray@thefootballplayground.academy)  
T: 07485293283  
F: The Football Playground  
Or <http://thefootballplayground.academy>

**THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND**  
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- MEDALS FOR ALL
- SHOOTING STATIONS
- SHOOT-OUT COMPETITION
- MATCHES
- TOURNAMENTS
- PRIZES TO BE WON
- FUN AND FREEDOM FOR ALL
- AND MORE

**YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY**

**WIN WIN**

**SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY**

**It's A WIN-WIN Situation!**

★ BOOST School Funds  
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TICKETS £3 EACH

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[YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play](http://YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play)  
and search for: Our Lady's Primary

**THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND**  
**MULTI SPORT ACTIVITY CAMP**

THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND ARE BACK WITH A FUN PACKED MULTI-SPORT CAMP FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

VENUE – RYTON VILLAGE HALL  
8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2024, £19 for the day.  
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## PRINCETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE

We have been advised that the streetlight opposite Leamington Road on Oxford Road will be replaced on Tuesday 12th December.

It is likely that temporary traffic lights will be in situ at this junction for one day (maximum of two days).

Please allow for additional time when travelling to/from the school.

**Santa Stops Here!**

Come visit Santa for free this Christmas at F&H Farms.

Get your Christmas Tree, grab a refreshment and share your Christmas wish with Santa all in the same place. Fun for all the family.

**Saturday 9th December 11am till 1pm**

**F&H FARMS Ltd**  
Sawpit Close Farm  
Leamington Road  
Bubbenhall CV8 3BH

**IRISH DANCING  
MESSAGE FROM DECLAN**

The classes for the remainder of the year will be as follows:  
**Friday 8th December 2023 – NO CLASS**  
**Friday 15th December 2023**  
**Friday 22nd December 2023**

**WE ARE HIRING!**

Join Our Team

**Educaterers Catering Assistant**  
10hrs per week  
11.30am - 1.30pm.  
£10.52 per hour  
Please call 01926 743434.

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**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**  
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2nd - 5th January 2024

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Wychbold First & Nursery School, WR9 7PU

**NUNEATON - TRAMPOLINING, MULTISPORTS**  
Park Lane Primary School, CV10 8NL

**RUGBY - ARCHERY & FENCING, TRAMPOLINING & GYMNASTICS**  
Rugby College, CV21 1AR

**WARWICK - ARCHERY & FENCING, DANCE, MULTI SPORTS**  
Embsay Infant School, CV34 5NH

**HAF COUPONS**  
WYCKMAS23  
NUNKMAS23  
RUGXMAS23  
WARXMAS23

**Early Bird Price - £12**  
When booked before the 2nd December

**Early Drop off 8:30am** Just £2.50 extra  
**Normal Drop off 9:00am - 9:30am**  
**Pickup 3:00pm - 3:30pm**  
**Late Pickup 4:30pm** Just £5.00 extra

All children will be provided with lunch. Please ensure your child has two full bottles of water.



# Our Lady's Children's Gazette

Welcome to our new gazette, where we will be bringing you news about what's been happening in school. This week's gazette has been written by Olivia, Hugo and Jessica S in Year 5/6.

Hello and welcome!

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023, we had a live zoom call with author SF Said. He explained how to become an author and we were inspired to write our newsletter. We were shocked that it took him so long to write a book. One of his books, Tyger, took 9 years to write! It took him 19 drafts to get it right. It has taught us to never give up on our dreams and to keep writing.



PIC•COLLAGE

Early Years and KS1 have been learning about Diwali this week. On Monday, Dia in Year 5, taught the children in KS1 and Early Years about Diwali and shared some treats. They made diva lamps and did lots of arts and crafts based on Diwali. On Wednesday, the children presented an assembly about what they have learnt to the whole school. They taught us, that Diwali is the festival of lights and they told us the story of Rama and Sita and how Diwali began. We thought it was really fun and interesting. Thank you to all the children in KS1 and Early Years.



Year 3 and 4 have been enjoying their new text 'FAR<sup>THER</sup>' by Grahame Baker-Smith.

Izzy- It's about a father who is trying to fly and never gives up. It shows us that whatever you do, you shouldn't give up on your dreams.

Oliver- I like the book. It's fun to read!

Danniella- Though you know the father is going to fight in the war, he tells his son to not be sad and to keep being himself.

St Anne's Parish, Wappenbury with Our Lady of the Angels', Princethorpe

December 2023

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2. Even if you have previously done this, it will help keep records up to date if you complete again and return

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Parent's First name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

House name/number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

Landline telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please tick one or more of the boxes below if you are happy for us to contact you by:

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Please tick the box/es if you are happy for your data to be used for:

News about parish events (including sacraments) ☐ Fundraising to support the parish ☐

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Please print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_