



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Learning to Love; Loving to Learn

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EMBRACING THE UNIQUENESS OF EACH CHILD THROUGH THE MESSAGE OF GOD'S LOVE

LEARNING TO LOVE; LOVING TO LEARN... ★

So much wonderful learning...

Lots of lovely learning has taken place in our school this week: Year 5 and 6 have been writing non fiction texts, Year 3 and 4 have been learning about World War 1. Year 1 and 2 have been working hard on their phonics and in their science.

Reception LOVED their dance lesson this week and have been enjoying discovering what those pesky peas have been up to next (ask your children!)

Looking at Learning

This is an opportunity for you to sit with your child (Years 1-6) to look through their books. It is not a time for discussion with the class teacher; this will take place during the parent consultations.

Dates and times of the Looking at Learning:

Year 5 and 6: Monday 17th October 2:30

Year 1 and 2: Wednesday 19th October 2:30

Year 3 and 4: Thursday 20th October 2:30

They will take place in the school hall.

Parent Consultations

These will take place on Wednesday 9th November and will be a time to chat to your child's teacher about their progress and targets. More information to follow.

Compliments

I have had the pleasure of showing lots of visitors around our school this week and they have all, without exception, commented on the calm atmosphere and the excellent behaviour of our children. I felt incredibly proud. Thank you children.

Our School Rules

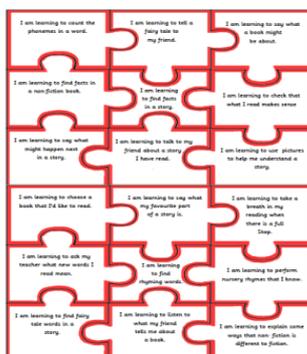
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Show respect

Do your best ★

Assessment and Curriculum evening



Thank you for your attendance at the meeting this week. If you were unable to attend you will find the presentation on our website under the teaching and learning tab by the beginning of next week

School Council News

The school council met yesterday and decided that they wanted the school to raise money to buy some chickens! You will have noticed the children selling the produce that they have grown recently, all money will be going towards this exciting aim!

Attendance

This week's attendance: 96%
Well done.

Cold Weather

It is getting colder! Please make sure your child has their outdoor PE kit in with them now, and a coat.

Uniform

Please make sure all uniform is labelled.

Also, if your child has their ears pierced and is unable to take their earrings out themselves, it would be helpful if they could be removed before school on their PE days.

This week's special mentions						
Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

This week's attendance figures						
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
94%	97%	99%	98%	94%	97%	96%



The children are still working really hard to show the value of respect and are excited to see their jars filling up! Last week we discussed the virtue of 'gratefulness' - the children have been trying hard to say 'thank you'. Next we will be continuing to think about the virtue of generosity.

Year 1 and 2 PE: Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 3 and 4 PE: Tuesday and Friday

Year 1 and 2 Phonics session

This is taking place on Tuesday 18th 3:15. Any children and their siblings can come and watch a DVD with me while Mrs Hobson runs a parent workshop on phonics. This is important as it will give you lots of practical ways in which you are able to support your child at home with their reading and will give you a clear understanding of how we teach decoding at school.

World's Biggest Coffee Morning



Thank you to the PTA for organising this. It will be a lovely opportunity for parents to meet the PTA and to raise money for Macmillan. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE HAVING A NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY AND A DONATION OF CAKES TO SELL. This is taking place on Friday 7th October at 2pm.

Harvest

Thank you for your kind donations. We are collecting all through October so any further donations would be most welcome. We are having a Harvest Celebration Mass at school on Friday 7th October at 9:15. All are welcome.

Annual Safeguarding Statement

In the interest of safeguarding children there may be occasions when the school has to

consult with other agencies without a parent's prior knowledge. The school's first concern is the child's welfare and the school has a duty to act to protect the child at all times. Such consultation may result in a formal referral which could prompt visits from social services and/or the police. We fully understand that this can be a very distressing set of circumstances, but we can only assure you that we follow the procedures laid down by the Warwickshire Safeguarding Board, a copy of which is available in school, as is a copy of our own policy.

Labelling Uniform

Please could I ask you to label all of your child's uniform. We have spent a lot of time this week trying to get to the bottom of missing shoes/PE bags/cardigans etc.! Many of the children own the same shoes and if they are not labelled it can make things very complicated! Many thanks.

Celebration Assembly

Just a reminder that if your child is chosen for a special mention, we will contact you secretly so that you can come along to the assembly to surprise your child, if you are able. Well done to all the superstars who have been working hard this week!

Sacramental Preparation

Father Teddy will be contacting parents over email at the weekend about this so has asked me to ask you to check your emails for forthcoming dates and further information.

Any Suggestions?

I understand that there are frustrations at the moment around parking at the school. It is a difficult situation to sort. I have been in communication with a few residents and the police about such matters. I have also, over the last year, been in communication with the



council. If you have any ideas/practical suggestions, do please share! Come and have a chat or drop me an email. I am always keen to listen to your opinions.

School Dinners

As most of you are aware now all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal at lunchtime. Do you meet the criteria for Free School Meal status? It's important to fill in this application even though your child is getting a free school meal under the government scheme. By applying you could raise an extra £1300 for our school from central government, to fund valuable support like teaching assistants, after school clubs and school trips.



Next week at a glance:

Month of the Holy Rosary

Monday 3rd:

Mission assembly gam.

Rugby in Bloom Presentation

Reading session Year ½ 2:30

Tuesday 4th:

Swimming Years 3,4,. Dance Years 1,2,Year R

Thursday 6th:

National Poetry day – a whole school focus

Friday 7th:

Non school uniform day. Cake donation.

Harvest Mass 9:15

PTA Macmillan event 2pm school hall

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kate Madia

Think of the week:

(A beguiling question that stops you in your tracks and makes you think...)

If I paint my window black, is it still a window?



AT OUR LADY'S WE ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO SAFEGUARDING AND PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN. WE EXPECT ALL STAFF, PARENTS AND VISITORS TO SHARE THIS COMMITMENT.





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