



# Newsletter

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020



Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

On behalf of all the staff I welcome you to the beginning of another school year at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School. This beginning of term feels even more special after us not seeing many of the children for such a long time. We are so thankful for everyone's co-operation this week with the new routines and procedures we have had to put in place to keep the school safe. The children have amazed us at how well they have adapted back to life in school. They have embraced 'Step Up September' and are settling well to the new 'normal.'

All new arrangements are under constant review and will be changed and adapted if needed. With regards to the staggered start and end times it has gone really well so far and there will be room for adaption to make the times tighter in due course. Thank you for your co-operation with this. This week it has worked well for families with siblings to come for the last collection time of the oldest sibling. Siblings can then be collected together at the bottom gate. Please can we ask that no children bring masks to school as guidance advises against them.

As with any new year we ask for God's blessing on our school as we prepare for all the exciting learning opportunities and experiences that lie ahead. Next week we are excited to be welcoming our new Reception children and parents. We can't wait to see all the children on Wednesday for their first day of school and we wish them all the very best of luck!

## Welcome!

We would like to officially welcome Mrs Phipps, Miss Gray, Mr Nobes and Mr Quinney to Our Lady's as our new members of support staff. It is lovely to have Mrs Phipps back after a brief time away last term. Miss Gray is supporting in Reception, Mr Nobes in Y1/2 and Mr Quinney is our Sports Leader who will be working across year groups delivering P.E as well as supporting in KS2 in the mornings. We are delighted to have you as part of our team!

## Congratulations!!!!

We would like to say a huge CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Haley (Mrs Garner) who got married at the beginning of the summer holidays. We wish her and her new husband Ed every happiness as they start married life together.



## Our Lady's Birthday

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September children will be celebrating the Birthday of Mary with a special prayer service in their classrooms. We are looking forward to being able to celebrate Mass with Father Teddy again soon.



## P.E lessons

For September we are trialling the children coming to school on their PE kit in their PE days. As the weather is changing it will be fine for the children to wear plain joggers and hoodies as well as their PE T-shirt. Trainers are advised over pumps. We will review how this works and inform you how we wish to proceed with this change going forwards.

Reception	Wednesday
Years 1 & 2	Wednesday
Years 3 & 4	Tuesday & Friday
Years 5 & 6	Thursday & Friday

## Birthday reminder

As in previous years' children are welcome to wear non – uniform on their birthday or the school day nearest to their birthday! This is a way everyone in the school community will know straight away that it is their special day. If your child's birthday is in the holidays or at the weekend they may wear their own clothes on the Monday or the Friday before.

## School Lottery

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to our School Lottery. Please if you haven't joined yet consider signing up. We would love to make it to our 50 ticket target. The more people that sign up the bigger the weekly prize fund but also the bigger the donation to school.

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



## Music Lessons

Mr Roe will be re starting music lessons from Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September. More information will be sent out after his first visit to give information about any possible spaces.

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## Data collection forms

Please can we urge all parents to make sure that they have returned all the data collection forms issued this week. It is really important that we have up to date information for emergencies and consent so that children do not miss out on any activities.

## Coats

Please can children bring a rain coat to school every day. We are conscious that even on bad weather days' children need a fresh air break due to the restrictions on movement in the classrooms.

## After School Clubs

A timetable will be sent out shortly with the after school clubs we have for offer this term.

## School meals

Payments for meals for this half term will be £83.25. The weekly amount remains at £11.25 Payment is accepted by cash or cheques payable to Our Lady's Catholic Primary School WCC. If your child has credits owing for this half term you will be advised by email of the amended amount on Friday 23rd October. Year 3 parents are reminded that children in Year 3 no longer qualify for Universal Free School Meals. Children in Reception/ Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for Universal Free School Meals.

If you would like to check eligibility to apply for Free School Meals please visit:

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals)

**Procedures for Absences** Please report all absence to Mrs Palmer in the school office.

**No Holidays During Term Time** – Please remember we are not authorising any holidays during term time and have been advised to submit fixed penalty notices to the Local Authority if parents do take their children out of school for holidays.

Worker's of the Week ☺ (starting next week)!	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

## Attendance and Punctuality

Saint Joseph R	Holy Family Y1/2	Saint Francis Y3/4	Saint Anthony Y5/6
	98%	98%	96%

*Our Mission of the Week:*

*To try our best at getting used to something new.*

## Next Week at a Glance:

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> September	9am	Mission Assembly in classrooms
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> September		Our Lady's Birthday
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> September	9am	Reception children start. Music Lessons
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> September	9am	
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> September	9am	Workers of the Week announced

*I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.*

Mrs R Batson  
Headteacher



**Twitter/Facebook** For up to date information and sharing what we are up to keep an eye on our Twitter feed

@OurPrincethorpe and Facebook Page – Our Lady's Primary School, Princethorpe @OurPrincethorpe

## Newsletters:

In the interest of remaining environmentally friendly we would like to minimise printing on paper. We publish our newsletter online each Friday. Parents may request an electronic version of the newsletter by following the links and instructions on our school website. <https://www.ourladysrc.warwickshire.sch.uk/parents/news-letters>

However, if you would like a paper copy per family of the newsletter, please complete the slip below detach and return to the school office by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September. Unless you have requested a paper copy, newsletters will no longer be sent out after Friday, 11 September 2020. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

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## REQUEST FOR NEWSLETTER PAPER COPY

Please could you distribute a paper copy of newsletter to my child each week.

Signed:

Print:

Child's Name:

Class:

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