



School Newsletter

Annus Mirabilis!

Year End...

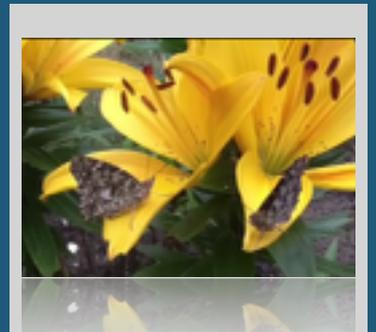
Our academic year draws to a close and as ever, we find ourselves incredulous that 190 days have passed so swiftly, with another fabulous cohort of Year 6 students about to leave our school!



Summer Spectaculars!

The children's performances in all areas of learning have been nothing short of spectacular this year. Sporting achievements are too numerous to mention (please see our FaceBook feed - Our Lady of Pity RC Primary School - for details and photographs): our trophy cabinet is groaning under the weight of fresh acquisitions! A huge thank you to all the staff, led by the inspirational Mrs Talbot, who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to make Our Lady of Pity such a centre of excellence for sport and fitness.

The youngest children in the school are now more than ready to move on to great things in Year 1, thanks to the richness of their foundation year - they have changed so dramatically over the course of the year! How fitting that their final weeks have revolved around the release of homegrown butterflies - the magical metamorphosis never fails to evoke profound wonder.



Our musicians grow in proficiency as they work with such skilled teachers. This term's Music Evening was a delight - even more compelling than the England match! The Year 6s are currently ramping up to their final dramatic performance, we know this will be an unforgettable treat for all. Year 5 children are becoming proficient peer coaches, combining their very significant chess skills with an ability to be strategic about their life choices. All year groups are focusing on personality as the year closes... returning once again to the question of all questions: "Who are you?"

A SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

Next academic year, you will see a strong emphasis on the world of science; we have several exciting projects in the pipeline! The rangers at Royden Park have welcomed our offer of a QR coded enhancement of one of their nature trails. Our children will be researching, filming and writing pieces which will be made accessible to the public via smartphone QR codes. If you want to get ahead of this, get familiar with the green woodpecker trail over the summer!

FOND FAREWELLS...

PARENT CONCERNS?

Please contact us with any concerns.

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As ever, the end of the academic year marks a transition for some staff members who will not be with us next year, some to return the following year, others to take up permanent posts elsewhere. Our lead role for Deep Learning Teaching School Alliance strengthens our school: every outreach experience brings expertise back for our children. At the same time, reaching out to other schools is a fulfilment of our Christian mission to help those in need: something of which we are all proud.

We say our fond farewells to our departing colleagues: Miss Gilsenan is taking up a post in Ireland, Miss Hogan is leaving to lead maths locally, at Our Lady and St Edwards. Miss Brown and Miss Cooper are seconded to Greasby Junior School and Our Lady and Bishop Eton for a year. Mrs Craven will be splitting her time between Sandbrook and OLOP; Mr Evans will be teaching PE at Greasby Junior School two afternoons a week, for the next academic year. Mrs Gregory will support the teaching of Latin at Sandbrook for one session a week. And Mrs Williamson, our kitchen manager and cook for 24 years, retires now to enjoy a life of leisure!

We welcome four new staff members: Miss Billington, who trained with us this year, is now a fully fledged member of our team. Mrs McDowell leads the kitchen team; Mrs Jersvik and Mrs Waddington are joining our support staff.

Our thanks to the governors who work so tirelessly on our behalf. Congratulations to Father Mike on the 40th anniversary of his ordination.

THANK YOU!

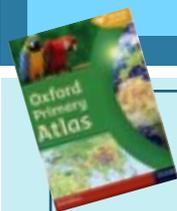
The school has had a tremendous year: our partnership with parents is pivotal to the children's successes. Thank you for your support in all things.

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Atlas
7-11years

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Must-reads!

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There's nothing like the power of a family settling down to the enchantment of a shared book - what are your best books just now?

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Needs to Know
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