

Our Lady's School

Newsletter 2

School website: www.ourladyofmtcarmelschool.org.uk

20th September 2018

Attendance Facts

To comply with Government Regulations, we are obliged to report to the Education Attendance Officer if any child's attendance falls below 97%. This is to ensure that children have the best opportunities that they can in their education. We are not able to authorise any family holidays. Only absences for exceptional circumstances can be authorised and these will be assessed individually. If our school percentage as a whole drops below 97%, we will fail any OFSTED inspection we may have. Don't forget school staff have the same restrictions, we can't take holiday in term time either!

Our Whole School Attendance – 96.6%

Apple Class = 97.4%
Cherry Class = 94.7%
Willow Class = 96.7%
Holly Class = 96.4%
Silver Birch Class = 96%
Oak Class = 99%

2nd Hand Uniform

Thank you for all the 2nd hand uniform you kindly bring into school. However in future we will only accept Our Lady's specific badged uniform and summer dresses. As well as being a fire hazard, we do not have room for shirts, skirts, trousers and other uniform that can be easily bought from any shop. If handed to us, sorry but we will ask you to take it back.

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

It's that time of year again!.....The Rotary Club has asked us to distribute leaflets for their 'Shoebox Scheme'. Please look out for them in your child's book bag.



Our Tree of Values is now in the Father Oliver room and those children who received the Headteacher's award during Celebration Assembly last week now have their leaf displayed on the tree.

Well done to the following children:-
All children in Apple Class for Friendship
Cherry Class – Harry for Determination and Grace for Independence
Willow Class - Harry for Resilience and Laura for Friendship
Holly Class – Clara and Isabella for Friendship
Silver Birch Class – Ryleigh for Independence and Ashton for Creativity
Oak Class – Lewis for Positivity and Freya for Happiness

School Dates

On the Dates for your Diary we sent out with our last newsletter, in our haste to publish them, we (Mrs Allison) made a couple of mistakes (sorry about that). The corrections are.....

There is NO Oak Class Mass on Friday 9th November

Oak Class Mass on Friday 30th November is at 11:30am and NOT 10:30am

Starting School/Secondary School in September 2019

School Admissions have informed us that they will not be sending letters to parents whose children are due to start school or transfer to secondary school in September 2019. Parents now need to apply on-line.

The application portal is now active and parents can apply online at www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions or they can phone Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224 for a paper copy of the application.



Permission Slips and Essential Information

This week we sent home slips asking for your permission to go on visits around town during school time and for your permission to use and display photographs of our children so that we conform with GDPR regulations. PLEASE return these as soon as possible. Our display boards are looking very bare without pictures of the children.

You will also be receiving a copy of your child's essential information form. Please can you return them even if there are no changes to the information. Please notify the office of any changes to contact numbers or addresses as a matter of urgency. It is vital that you keep us up to date with emergency phone numbers. If you have an e-mail address, please make sure the one we have is correct. We endeavour to send out as many letters as we can electronically.

We will also be sending out Medical Care Plans to check that your child's medical needs are clear to us.

Please return all forms promptly, it saves us nagging☺

Parking

Fr Louis has advised us that as from last Monday the church is having builders in to repair the roof. The builders will be using the top disabled car parking spaces for their lorries and vehicles. He asks that we do not park there as we will be in the way and probably blocked in. The builders are expected to be there for approx. 5-6 months.

Fr Louis also said that he noticed parents are starting to park using the residents' spaces which causes upset and complaints. These spaces are owned by residents of Lansdowne Place and not for use by Our Lady's parents. He is also worried that a child could be knocked over with parents driving past the school entrance to get to the spaces.

The police are also working with us to alleviate dangerous and illegal parking. Please do not park in the bus stop, on the pavement, on double yellow lines. As we are only two minutes' walk from all three free car parks in Wincanton, we suggest parents use these and keep their children safe.

Clubs

Day	Club	Finish time	Age range	Cost
Monday	Coding	4:15pm	Holly & Silver Birch this half term	Free
Tuesday	Multi Sports	4:30pm	KS2	Free
Wednesday	Multi sports	4:30pm	KS1	Free
Wednesday	Advanced Recorders	4:15pm		Free
Thursday	Craft Club	Dates on letter 4:30pm	KS2	Small charge for materials
Thursday	Choir	4:15pm	All	Free

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Open Day for the Intake of 2019

Saturday 6th October
10:00 – 12:00

Come along and have a look round our lovely school.

Committed to inclusion, you don't have to be Catholic 😊