



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Learning to Love; Loving to Learn

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This week

This week has been a busy one; full of exciting learning! Well done to all the children for settling back in beautifully after their half term break. An extra big well done to the brilliant children in Year 5 and Year 6 who took part in the School Games Biathlon yesterday. Miss Youds said the children were brilliant and that she is very proud of them all. Thank you to Miss Youds and the parents who supported the event.

We have had some lovely news as a school: all schools are categorised through the LA. This categorisation is based on various things, including most recent data. We have been categorised as an A1 school, which is the very highest grading. We have also received a letter from the department of education, congratulating us on being in the top 3% of all schools nationally for our excellent phonics results. I feel very proud as a Headteacher and I know that the staff feel the same way.

We Will Remember

We have been remembering the sacrifice of those who died so that we might live in peace, this week.

I look forward to the remembrance day Mass on Sunday at 10:00. We have some of our children singing at 11:30, after the two minutes silence. I know that it will be a special time and one to really remember.

Flanders Fields by John McCrae, May 1915

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



Police Appeal

Police are appealing for any witnesses, anyone who followed any vehicles or local residents that may have CCTV of an incident which took place at approximately 0840 hours on Tuesday 16th October 2018 at the junction of Leamington Road and Oxford Road, Ryton on Dunsmore.

Two road traffic collision's occurred at the location which culminated in disorder with weapons and machetes being used and person's fleeing the scene in vehicles or on foot into the village.

If you were witness to this incident please contact DS 960 Henry Scutt via 101 on extension 6107 or e-mail henry.scutt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

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
100%	100%	97%	100%	95%	99%	97%



The children know that they need to work hard again this year to show the value of respect. They will receive respect tokens to go towards a whole class treat once their jar is full!



Flu Immunisation Forms

These were sent home yesterday with children in years R – Year 5. Please can we ask that all parents return the consent forms even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated. The immunisation team will be in school on Thursday 29th November during the morning.

Looking at Learning

This was a great success again this year! I know that the children really value the time they spend showing you their books. Thank you for your support.

Attendance

Attendance is crucial. Please ensure that your child arrives in time for registration please. Lateness is disruptive for all involved. Thank you.

This weeks' attendance: 98% - this is above our target 😊

Dates

Please see the main dates for the rest of November and December attached to this newsletter. Certain events have had separate letters go out to the year groups that it is pertinent to.

PTA News

Please see the separate PTA letter attached. I encourage you to become part of the PTA so that you can be part of the brilliant work that they do to support our children and school. I would like to say a personal thank you for all of the hard work that they do. It is very much appreciated.

Children in Need

The school council would like to raise money for Children in Need, and would like to have cake sale. Please do support the children in this – everyone loves a cake sale! If you are able to bring in a few cakes to sell and a few pennies for the children to buy one. That would much appreciated! This is taking place on Friday 16th November.

Parliament Week



We are taking part in parliament week next where the children will be learning about parliament and democracy. It was nice to receive a letter of recognition of the work that we are about to undertake from Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP!

Extra Physical Activity Sessions

The children have access to 2 hours of excellent quality PE a week. We have sports coaches from Princethorpe College and Professional dance teachers to teach the dance element of the curriculum.

We have recently introduced, in addition, zumba and Yoga across the infants and bleep testing across the juniors.

The children are still running and are 'collecting' their miles towards a marathon.

Please make sure that the children have their trainers in school every day.

Governor Activity Governors have been present at the Parent Consultations this week, and it was lovely seeing so many of you chatting to our chair – Simon. Rod, our reception class governor is paying a visit to see how the children have progressed since they started in September. Candy has been observing class liturgy this week again, and Elizabeth and Simon have been in working directly with the children – listen to readers and running interventions. I thank all of governors for their continued support and hands on approach.

Next Week at a Glance:

Parliament and anti-bullying week

Monday 12th November:

Mission assembly

Wednesday 14th November:

A special Diwali celebratory morning for reception and KS1 in the morning.

Junior children to come dressed for their house football competition (see separate letter)

Friday 16th November:

Celebration assembly

Children in need

Sunday 18th November:

School Mass – all are welcome Princethorpe Chapel 10:15.

Have a really lovely weekend. Kate Madia

Think of the week:

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

If you set out to fail and succeed in failing did you fail or succeed?



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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