



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... ★

This Week



This week has been super! Year 5 and 6 have had lots of fun gaining knowledge about the solar system. They created scale models of the solar system by using fruit and vegetables to show size and toilet rolls for the distances! Year 6 also had fun cooking in maths at the beginning of the week.

Year 3 and year 4 have enjoyed their yoga and gymnastics sessions and creating their Antarctica posters which they will be turning into PowerPoint presentations! Year 4 and some year 5s have written excellent biographies too this week and their fraction work has been spot on.

Year 2 have been busy with division in maths and have worked hard on their 2,5 and 10 times tables. They have started writing some beautiful Artic setting descriptions too.

Year 1 and 2 have been busy learning about Isambard Kingdom Brunel in their history topic on 'Famous People' and really enjoyed working collaboratively to build their own bridges! They have also conducted an experiment this week in science which is looking at how plants grow. Year 1 had a bit of surprise when they discovered magic beans

in their classroom with lots of clues! They planted it and sprinkled it with holy water (their idea, not ours...!) and guess what? It has grown! Such a lovely way into their learning for their English work.

Reception ha a wonderfully exciting package delivered this week – from space! They have really enjoyed their role play area. They have written some super sentences and their maths has really impressed me this week too!

We have also had our 'Time to Shine auditions this week which will continue into next.



I would like to thank my staff for making the learning magic and joyous. The children gain so much knowledge and progress so well in all areas of their learning, whilst having a lot of fun.

Tapestry - for Reception Parents

Reception parents should have had their activation email so that you can activate your account. If you have any issues, please speak with Miss Youds



Value and Virtue

Our Value and virtue for this half term is: Eloquence and Truthfulness

Absences

All absences to be advised to either in person, by telephone or message on the absence line. Thank you.

Dropping off in the morning

Now that the children in reception have settled over their first term, we would like them to walk up to their classroom from the bottom gate by themselves.

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%	93%	93%	92%	99%	98%	96%



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!

This means that now all children from Year R to Year 6 should be dropped off at the gate in the morning. Thank you.



Big Spell and Spelling Shed

Big Spell certificates were handed out today for the test before Christmas. Well done to all! Isobel was the most improved speller in KS1 and Amelia the most improved in KS2.

We would like to stress the importance of using the Spelling Shed website for the children to learn and practice their spelling words. Please support your child to use the site to learn their spelling words. This term we will be celebrating the 5 highest scorers on the Spelling Shed website each week in the newsletter.

Last week's top five:

- Sam B Y5
- Warwick Y5
- Destiny Y6
- Katie Y2
- Oliver Y5

If you are unable to access spelling shed for whatever reason, please let your child's class teacher know. Thank you.

Music Fees

Music fees were due to be paid by today. Please send your payment of £50 into school

by Monday 21st January if you have not already done so. Payment by cash or cheque payable to Our Lady's School.

There is one place available for piano lessons. If you would like to take this place for your child, please let Mrs Davenport know.

Attendance

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

Dinner Money

The cost of a school dinner for Junior Children in £2.20 per day, or £11 for the week. If you prefer to pay weekly, money should be sent into school each Monday for the week ahead. Cash or cheque payable to Warwickshire County Council Please.

Looking at Learning

Thank you for your amazing attendance at looking at learning. I appreciate how hard it can be getting here during the day. It was lovely to see you all!



Sporting fixtures

We have a couple of sporting fixtures next week after school. If your child is involved in these they will have had a separate letter.

Thursday 24th January
St Marie's School



Netball and football matches

Whole School Mass

We have a whole school Mass on Sunday 27th January at 10:15 at Princethorpe Chapel. All are welcome.

Time to Shine Friday 1st February 6pm

Time to Shine is our annual talent show. The children have been busy auditioning and rehearsing. Please speak to you child if they intend to take part in this event. If they are not able to attend I will need to know by the end of next week so that I can finalise the running order.

Next Week at a Glance:

Monday 21st January
Mission assembly

Thursday 24th January
Netball and football fixtures.
Please see separate letters

Friday 25th January
Celebration assembly
Burns Night

Sunday 27th January

Whole School Mass 10:15
Princethorpe Chapel

Have a really lovely weekend.
Kate Madia

Think of the week:

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



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.