

#### Our Lady's RC Primary School

## Newsletter

2023/24

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#### **Easter Service**

Well done to our Y3 pupils who led our Easter service beautifully. You were a credit to your class and to Our Lady's.

#### **Attendance**

It is very important to us here at Our Lady's School to prioritise good attendance to ensure all our children achieve the best education they can and enjoy their school life fully. Attendance is checked regularly by office staff and the Local Authority Attendance Officer and contact will be made if a child's attendance is flagged. Our aim is to work with you to improve this together.

#### **SATs Week**

Week commencing 13th May, the Y6 children are doing their SATs in EGPS (English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling), Reading and Maths. A reminder that the assessments start in the morning and finish on the Thursday so it is crucial that the children are in each day and on time. They have worked very, very hard and we are so proud of their positive attitudes in recent months. We will be letting the Y6 children come into school that week from 8:30am to have their breakfast together in class. Very best of luck to all of them.

#### **May Assessments**

A reminder that in May most of the classes undertake their annual assessments. Excellent attendance is therefore especially important in the coming weeks.

#### Water

A polite reminder that children should only be bringing water into school and not cordial or flavoured water. As a healthy school and in line with public health recommendations we strive to keep the children healthy in school. While some flavoured water drinks claim to be completely sugar free, others contain as much as 12.1g of sugar per single 250ml serving — half of a child's total recommended daily allowance.

#### **Summer Uniform**

A reminder that now we are in the summer term; children are permitted to wear their summer uniform to school if they choose to. Grey long or short trousers/knee length skirt. Summer blue gingham check dresses.

Light blue polo shirt with logo.

Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan with logo.

#### Black shoes (no trainers)

Plain black, grey, navy or white socks.

Every child is expected to be correctly dressed for PE lessons.

Black pumps (indoor), Trainers (outdoor).

White t-shirt.

Navy blue shorts .

No jewellery (apart from a watch) is to be worn in school as it constitutes a danger to the wearer and to other children.

#### Hair

Please ensure that your child has their hair cut according to our school expectations. Your child's hair should be tied back neatly in a pony or pig tails.

Hair should not be cut very short at the sides in line with school policy.

I.e. Neat and tidy hair /not shaved (No 1) or unnaturally structured or unduly long.

#### **New Reception Class Meeting**

On Wednesday 22nd May at 6:00pm there is a meeting in school for the parents/carers and families of the children joining our Reception class in September. Those families are very welcome!

#### **Hot Dog Friday**

On Friday 10th May we will have Hot Dog Friday. On this day our FOOLS Association (Friends of Our Lady's) will be selling hotdogs after school to anyone who would like one. FOOLs will be positioned outside the school hall by the picnic tables. The cost of the hotdogs will be £1.

#### **Our Lady's Sport**

#### Year 3 and Year 4 Football Boys

A group of our Y3 and Y4 children are participating at a football competition at Bolton School this Tuesday.

#### Year 3,4,5 and 6 Football Girls

A group of KS2 girls are also participating at Bolton School this Wednesday.

#### Year 5 and Year 6 Football Boys

A group of our Y5 and Y6 children are participating at a football competition at Bolton School this Thursday.

We wish all of our teams the best of luck

#### Mile in The Morning

This term, we continue with our 'Mile in the Morning' sessions. We would love you to join us from Monday to Friday morning's

from 8:30am on the KS2 yard (weather permitting). Everybody is welcome to come along—parents, grandparents, siblings—to enjoy the fresh air and wake up the body and mind for the day.

Can I once again thank staff who often volunteer so much of their own time to provide the children with these excellent opportunities. Also, a very big thank you to all the parents/grandparents who support these activities, with lifts, extra adult supervision etc.

#### **Bikeability**

Week Commencing 20th May, our Y6 children begin their Bikeability training. On Monday there is a Dr Bike session where families can bring their bikes to test their rideability. Then on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the Y6 pupils will undertake their sessions. I'm sure that they will learn a great deal about road safety and have lots of fun at the same time!

#### Non Uniform Day—Friday 3rd May

Your children work regularly with our in-house artist Belinda John. Belinda is embarking on a trip to Dagoretti, Nairobi, from 22nd May to 1st June 2024.

On the trip there are 15 teachers going including Belinda. Belinda will be teaching art and as a collective they will be supporting the Salesian Sisters and children at schools in and around Dagoretti, Nairobi.

To help Belinda raise funds to be able to take out supplies with her, we are holding a non-uniform day this Friday 3rd May for donations which will start at £1. If you wish to donate more, then this option will be on Parentpay. Thank you in anticipation of your usual support.

#### Attendance Matters!

Class	15.4.24	22.4.24
Year R	92%	99.3%
Year I	98%	97.3%
Year 2	97.1%	96.8%
Year 3	96.3%	98.1%
Year 4	94.3%	89.6%
Year 5	94.4%	90.3%
Year 6	95.6%	95.2%
Whole School	95.4%	95.2%

Learning and loving together; we grow with Jesus.'

Thank you - Mr C Horridge - Headteacher



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Our Lady's R.C. Primary School  Dates for Diary 2023/2024  Summer Term 2024					
			Monday 15th April		Summer I Term Starts
			Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	11:00 a.m.	Easter Service (Y3 to Lead)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May		Bank Holiday			
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00am	Ascension Mass (Y5 to Lead)			
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	3:35 p.m.	Hot Dog Friday			
Week Commencing 13th May		Y6 SATs Week			
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May		Dr Bike – Details to follow			
Week Commencing 20 <sup>th</sup> May		Walk/Cycle to School & Laudato Si Week			
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May		Y6 Bikeability Week			
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	6:00 p.m.	New Intake Parents' Meeting			
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	2:00p.m.	Walking Day			
Week Commencing 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		Y6 Low Bank Ground			
Week Commencing 10 <sup>th</sup> June		Phonics Screening Week			
Friday I4 <sup>th</sup> June	6:15 – 7:15 (KS1)	FOOLS Wellbeing Disco- TBC			
	7:30 – 8:30 (KS2)				
Week Commencing 17th June		Refugee Week			
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30 am -12:00pm	KS1 Inter School Sports @ Canon Sharples			
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	4:00- 6:00pm	KS2 Inter School Sports @ Our Lady's			
Week Commencing 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Diversity Week			
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June		Creative Curriculum Day with Aspull Church & St David's			
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July		Own Clothes Day – Bring a Bottle for Bottle Tom- bola			
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	I:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Summer Gala & Sports Day			
Thursday I I <sup>th</sup> July	3:00 p.m.	Y6 Leavers' Assembly			
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July		Bastille Day			
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July		Reports Out			
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	I I:00 a.m.	End of Year & Y6 Leavers' Mass			
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	3:35p.m.	Term Ends			