



### Sacramental Programme

On Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th February those children who are taking place in this year's Sacramental Programme will be attending a Presentation Mass at Our Lady's Church. As in previous years, some of the sessions across the year with the catechists will be with children from Holy Family. Please keep all of the children in your prayers throughout the programme.

### Social Sunday

On Sunday we had the next instalment of our Social Sundays at Our Lady's Church. The children from the Sacramental Programme did a fantastic job alongside our Catechists throughout the Mass and were a credit to their families and to school. Following Mass, the congregation met in the Parish Meeting Room for tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits. It was a wonderful event. A big thank you to everyone involved.

### Subject Newsletters

Last week saw the release of our latest newsletter, Geography. We have already released a range of curriculum newsletters which can also be found via the curriculum section of our school website.

<https://www.aspullourladys.wigan.sch.uk/documents>

### Class Assemblies

This term our class assemblies are as follows:

Date	Year Group
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y6
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y1
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y4
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Y3
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Y5
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	YR

Families and friends of the relevant year groups are of course invited to come along and celebrate with their children.

Assemblies start at 9:05am.

### Snow Day

Last Tuesday, we certainly didn't let the snow affect us. Thank you for your efforts in getting the children to school that day. A reminder that school will always contact families via Parentpay and social media if we are not open.



### House Point Winners.

Last term's House Point winners, St Mark, will be treated to a cinema morning tomorrow morning. Well done to the children for their efforts!

### Times Tables Mornings

In the next few weeks, we have some times tables activity mornings planned for Y2, Y3 and Y4. Children from other schools will join us for a range of tasks and games. Previously, these have proved really popular and we look forward to the days. More details to follow.

### Our Lady's Sport

#### Swimming & KS2 Swimming Gala

Our Year 3 children continue to enjoy their weekly swimming lessons and are making great progress. We are also looking forward to the KS2 Inter Schools Swimming Gala where representatives from Y3 –Y6 will represent Our Lady's on Thursday 15th February.

#### WigLe Dance - Y3

In Year 3, this week they are starting to learn a set of dance routines in preparation for a WigLe dance festival. Information about this event is due to be released by the dance company shortly. The festival is due to be on the evening of Thursday 14th March.

#### Online-Safety Week

We will be having a particular focus on Online Safety over the next couple of weeks, which is even more important given the amount of time children are spending on the internet nowadays. Safer Internet Day 2024 will take place at Our Lady's on Wednesday the 7th of February. There will be celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Inspiring

change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. To support you as parents in safely guiding your child online you could take a look at

[Parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

### NSPCC Number Day

A reminder that on Friday 2nd February, Our Lady's will be taking part in the NSPCC National Number Day. Teachers are busy planning for an action-packed day of Maths and we will be taking part in 'Dress up for Digits'. Pupils are asked to get creative by dressing in a Maths or numbers theme. There are plenty of ideas on the internet to inspire creative costume ideas. We will be having a range of problems for the children to solve. To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of £2, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event. Details available via Parentpay.

### Parents' Evening



A reminder that this term's parents' evening is on Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th February. Booking slots are still available via the school website.

### Attendance Matters

Class	WB: 8.1.24	WB: 15.1.24
Year R	98.7%	96.3%
Year 1	97.7%	93%
Year 2	99%	97.1%
Year 3	99.3%	95.9%
Year 4	97.8%	90.4%
Year 5	99.1%	90.6%
Year 6	92.6%	90%
Whole School	97.7%	93.4%



## Our Lady's R.C. Primary School

### Dates for Diary 2023/2024

#### Spring Term 2024

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January		Spring 1 Term Starts
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	9:05 a.m.	Y6 Assessment Information Meeting
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	9:05 a.m.	Y2 Assessment Information Meeting
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February		Number Day - NSPCC
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	3:45p.m. – 6:30p.m.	Parents' Evening (all year groups)
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	3:45p.m. – 6:00p.m.	Parents' Evening (all year groups)
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February		Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February		Young Voices (Choir Members)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	10:15am	Ash Wednesday Service (led by Y6)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	10:30 a.m. 6:30 -8:30p.m.	Parishioners Coffee Morning Swimming Gala
Week Commencing Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February		Love Your Community Week & 2041 Project Cake Sales during Week - TBC
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February		Half Term
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February		Lent Day ( 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent on 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March		GIFT team Lent retreat at St Anthony's
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March		World Book Day
Week Commencing 11 <sup>th</sup> March		Science Week
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	3:35 p.m.	Y1 Phonics Information Workshop
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March		Break the Rules Day
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	3:35p.m.	Term Ends



## Our Lady's R.C. Primary School

### Dates for Diary 2023/2024

Summer Term 2024		
Monday 15th April		Summer 1 Term Starts
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	11:00 a.m.	Easter Service (Y4 to Lead)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May		Bank Holiday
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00am	Ascension Mass (Y6 to Lead)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	3:35 p.m.	Hot Dog Friday
Week Commencing 13 <sup>th</sup> 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
Week Commencing 3 <sup>rd</sup> June		Y6 Low Bank Ground
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	2:00p.m.	Walking Day
Week Commencing 10 <sup>th</sup> June		Phonics Screening Week
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	6:15 – 7:15 (KS1) 7:30 – 8:30 (KS2)	FOOLS Wellbeing Disco- TBC
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30 am -12:00pm	KS1 Inter School Sports @ Canon Sharples
Week Commencing 17 <sup>th</sup> June		Refugee Week
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
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July		Own Clothes Day – Bring a Bottle for Bottle
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Summer Gala & Sports Day
Thursday 11 <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	11:00 a.m.	End of Year & Y6 Leavers' Mass
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	3:35p.m.	Term Ends



# Our Lady's Primary School

## Masses, Celebrations and Sacramental Programme for 2023/24

Date	Event	Time	Venue
21/9/23	Mass - New Term (Led by Y5)	11:00am	School Hall
6/10/23	Parishioners Coffee Morning (Faith Team)?	10.30am	School Hall
1/11/23	Mass- All Saints' (Led by Y6)	11:00am	School Hall
7/12/22	Mass- Advent (Led by Y4)	11:00am	School Hall
8/12/23	Mass - Our Lady's Feast Day (Whole School)	11:00am	Our Lady's Church
13/12/23	Nativity (KS1)	2:00pm 6:00pm	School Hall
18/12/23	Mass - Christmas (Led by Y3)	11:00am	School Hall
15/2/24	Parishioners Coffee Morning (Faith Team)	10.30am	School Hall
9/1/24	<b>Sacramental Programme Meeting - Community Meeting</b>	6:00pm	Our Lady's Church
3/2/24 4/2/24	<b>Presentation Masses</b>	6:00pm 9:30am 11.15 am	Church - Our Lady's Church - Holy Family
14/2/24	Lenten Service - Including distribution of ashes) (Led by Y5)	10:15am	School Hall
13/3/24	<b>Reconciliation</b>	6:00pm	Church - Our Lady's
18/4/24	Mass - Easter Theme (Led by Y3)	11:00am	School Hall
9/5/24	Ascension Mass (Led by Y6)	11:00am	School Hall
2/6/24	<b>Walking Day</b>	2:00pm	Church - Our Lady's
22/6/24	<b>First Holy Communion</b>	12.00pm	Church - Holy Family
23/6/24	<b>First Holy Communion</b>	3:00pm	Church - Our Lady's
18/7/24	Leavers' Mass and End of School Year Mass (Led by Y6)	11:00am	School Hall

### Class Visits to Church

Mass begins at 9.15am KS1 - offertory KS2-readings

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Pupil Committees
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30am Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 9.30am	Y5/Y6
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30am Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 9.30am	Y3/Y4
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30am Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	YR/Y1/Y2



## Dates for Diary – Sacramental Programme 2023/24



<b>Reconciliation</b>	Jan-Feb	<b>Parent</b> 9.1.24 6pm at <b>Our Lady's Church</b> Initial Welcome Meeting Parents and Children	<b>Children</b>	<b>Home</b> Session 1: Thankfulness the Gift of Life.	<b>School</b> Session 2: Honesty and Bravery-God is calling you.
	Feb-March		<b>21<sup>st</sup> January during 9.30am Mass – Children's Liturgy</b>  <b>28.2.24 6pm at Holy Family Church</b> Session 3 of Heart Speaks to Heart: Reflection-called to love. <b>Children's meeting</b>	Session 4: Friendship and Respect- turning to God. (complete with children during Lent).	
<b>First Holy Communion</b>	April-May	<b>Parent</b>	<b>Children</b> 8.5.24 6pm at <b>Holy Family Church</b> Session 2: Entering God's House. (First Holy Communion Preparation) <b>Children's meeting</b>	<b>Home</b> Session 4: Stillness-God Speaks His Word  Session 5: Generosity and Gratitude-Jesus offers himself for us.	<b>School</b> Session 1: My Life's Journey  Session 3: Love-Holy Mass Begins
	June	9.6.24- reminder and finalisation of arrangements emailed virtually to parents.	<b>12.6.24 6pm at Our Lady's Church</b> Session 6: Courage-food for the Journey. (Last Supper) <b>Children's meeting</b>	Session 7 Reflection: My Journey continues.	
<b>Celebration/Event</b>		<b>Date</b>		<b>Time</b>	
Presentation		3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> February		6:00pm. Our Lady's or 9:30am Our Lady's	
Reconciliation		Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March		6:00pm. Our Lady's	
Walking Day		Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June		2:00pm. Meet at Our Lady's	
First Holy Communion		Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June		3:00pm. Our Lady's	