



16 September 2026

Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School Newsletter

Welcome to our Newsletter. This Newsletter is also available on our school website www.ololbury.stoccat.org.uk

Our website is new and it contains all the statutory information for our school. Please note that paper copies of the Newsletter or anything on our website is available from the School Office.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 14 September: Extra Curricular Activities to start
Thursday 17 September: Year 5 Playleader Training
Wednesday 22 September: 9.30am Mass in school with Fr Paul
Thursday 24 September: Basketball sessions for all the classes with Stephen Thompson – *Year 1 – Year 6 children to come to school in their PE kits*
Friday 25 September: 9.00am – Coffee Morning in support of Bury Cancer Support Centre – *Everyone welcome*
Wednesday 30 September: 9.00am – John Hunt photos – *all children to come to school in their full uniform*
Friday 2 October: CAFOD Family Fast day – Harvest appeal
Tuesday 6 October: 9.00am – Stay and Pray for Year 5 – *Parents welcome*
Tuesday 6 October: Reception 2027 Open Day
Wednesday 7 October: Reception 2027 Open Day
Thursday 8 October: Reception 2027 Open Day
Friday 9 October: Reception 2027 Open Day
Friday 9 October: Year 5 Class charity event to support Bleakholt Animal Sanctuary
Monday 13 October: 9.00am – Year 6 Stay and Pray – *Parents welcome*
Wednesday 14 October: Flu vaccinations
Tuesday 20 October: 3.30-6.30pm – Parents Evening
Friday 23 October: 3.15pm School closes for half term
Tuesday 3 November: School reopens

Message from Mrs Davies

We have had a great start to the extra-curricular timetable this week. All the clubs have a fantastic take up and I know the children will really enjoy the sessions.

This week the year 6 children have been busy campaigning to be this terms Head Boy and Head Girl. A huge congratulations to Orla and Jack who have been chosen this term. Both children were brilliant in their reasons for being a Head Pupil and I know they will be fantastic role models for others. Well done Orla and Jack!

Tomorrow, some of our Year 5 children will be taking part in Playground leader training. This will enable the Year 5 children to organise and lead games at playtimes and lunchtimes with the younger children. The children always enjoy active playtimes and the Year 5 children love the responsibility of this important role.

Next Tuesday we welcome Fr Paul into school for the first Mass of the year. This mass is a special welcome mass for the new children and it is also when our new GIFT team members will be commissioned.

Thank you to all our parents and carers who continue to support us with excellent attendance, punctuality and uniform. Have a lovely week!



Arbor

This week we have started our transition for communications and payments to transfer to Arbor. We have sent an email out to you all with information leaflets showing how to sign up. ***This will not go live until after October Half Term*** holidays and we will be sending further information out regarding this nearer the time.

We can see that some of you have already signed up and logged in and requested some changes to you records. Please bear with us as we work through these as they all need to be authorised. If you are having difficulties signing up, or did not receive the email it may be because we have an incorrect record currently of your email address or telephone number so please let us know by emailing the office on office@ololbury.stoccat.org.uk The Trust has told us that if you already use Arbor for a sibling at another school you would need to have separate passwords for the different schools but would be able to see them both in one app.

We would ask that you try to sign yourself up so that when it gets nearer to our going live date you will not have an issue accessing any emails and app messages we send out. Once we switch over Teachers2Parents and School Money in the Eduspot App will go. SchoolGrid will carry on as we are already set up for this now. If any parents are still having issues with SchoolGrid please could you let us know by email.

Lost Property

We have a new system for lunch boxes this term which is working really well and it has helped reduce the number of 'lost' lunchboxes so far. We have a lost property box which is kept on the playground in front of Class 1. If your child has lost any item of clothing or any of their belongings, please check the lost property box.

Basketball sessions

On Thursday 24 September, Stephen Thompson will be coming into school to teach all classes some basketball skills. **Please can children in Year 1 – Year 6 come to school in their PE kit on this day.**

Ollies Before and After School Club

Ollies has moved from the school hall to the portacabins at the back of school. In the mornings, the side gate will be open for you to take the children directly to the portacabin. In the evenings, the gate will be closed until 4.30pm. If you come to collect your child before then, please press the door bell on the wall near the gate.

Easyfundraising for OLOL

Previously our PTA had set up an Easyfundraising account for us. We have recently taken this over and are going to continue trying to raise funds for school for all the little extras that enhance the learning and school environment for our children. This means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use Easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our Easyfundraising page at to sign up :- <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/ourladyoflourdesrcpsbury/1DBKLI/c2s/hV0t4Q7p/CE953/facebook/>

Thank you so much! We have already had some new families signed up since last week



Wednesday Word

If any of our families do not have access to the Wednesday Word leaflet and would like to see a copy and share it with your children please use the link below:-

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Follow us on Instagram

School now have an Instagram account. You can follow us using **ololburycps**

Bury Cancer Support Centre Coffee Morning

On **Friday 25 September at 9.00am** we will be hosting a Coffee Morning in aid of Bury Cancer Support Centre. Please bring your families and friends to support this event. The children can buy cakes on the day and bring in a donation of £1 to support this fantastic charity. If you are able to make or buy cakes to donate for the coffee morning we would really appreciate it.

Our Lady of Lourdes
Love, learn and grow

Our Lady of Lourdes
RC Primary School,
Rudgewick Drive,
Bury BL8 1YA

invites you to a

COFFEE MORNING

**Friday 25th September
at 9am**

In Support Of

BURY
cancer support
CENTRE

**APPEAL
FOR DONATIONS OF CAKES PLEASE**

EVERYONE WELCOME

Coffee time

www.justgiving/campaign/supportthefutureofburycancersupportcentre

We follow in the footsteps of Jesus, to love, learn and grow
Federation of Guardian Angels' and Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary Schools



Award winners

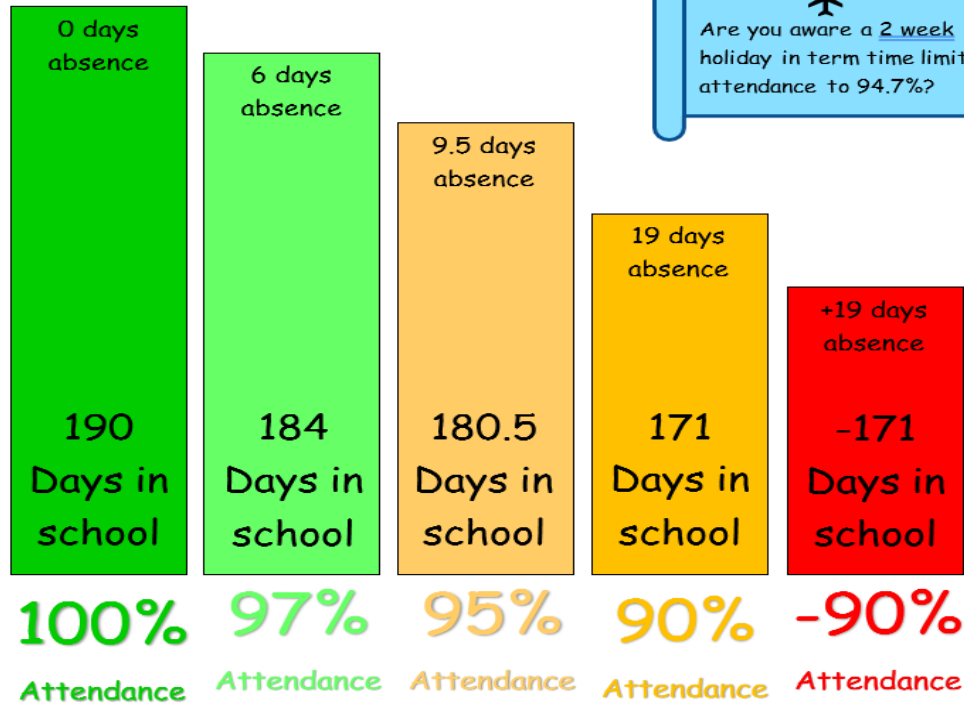
	Mission Award	Rights Respecting Schools Award	Special Mention Award
Class 1	Sofia	Jakub	Freddie B
Class 2	Erin	Marcel	Indie
Class 3	Polly	Amy	Yusuf
Year 5	Charlotte	Stanley	Thomas
Year 6	Thomas	Lol	Cecilia

Attendance

Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School firmly believes that **Great Achievement** can only happen if we have **Great Attendance**. Recently attendance has begun to decline... let us aim for 100% attendance! Below you will see this week's attendance figure for each class. Who is this week's winner?

Class 1	98.75%
Class 2	95.00%
Class 3	99.38%
Year 5	99.62%
Year 6	97.59%

Good attendance at Our Lady of Lourdes RCPS means being in school at least 97% of the time (184 - 190 days)



✈️
Are you aware a 2 week holiday in term time limits attendance to 94.7%?

Excellent attendance
Best chances of success

Below expected and starting to cause concern
Less chance of success
Intervention required

Serious Concern
Persistent Absence
Seriously limits success
Local authority intervention

If you need to share information regarding an absence or need any support, please contact the school office or Miss Dean.

To Love, Learn and Grow attend school on time, every day