



23 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

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

Wednesday 7 October: One Day Creative workshops for Black History Month - £2 donation

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

Yesterday, we celebrated the first Mass of the Year with Fr Paul in school. It was a beautiful celebration and made more special by the commissioning service for our GIFT Team. We welcomed families and friends of Aydan, Noah and Thomas as they watched the boys being commissioned to the GIFT Team. Mrs Weston is very excited to have such a wonderful GIFT team once more this year who will lead prayer and liturgy in school. Congratulations to Aydan, Noah and Thomas.

This Friday we are hosting a **Coffee Morning** for **Bury Cancer Support Centre**. It would be lovely to see the hall full of families and friends. Please do join us if you can on **Friday from 9.00am**. (See below for further details)

We are looking forward to a visit from Ben Dunne (Director of Early Years, Education and Skills) today to show him our wonderful school. We have had another great week of learning!

I look forward to seeing you on Friday morning! Thank you for your continued support.



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.

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. Please bring your cakes on either Thursday or Friday morning.

EYFS Open Days

We have a number of opportunities for parents and carers to visit our Early Years provision in readiness for school applications for September 2027. Please spread the word if you know anyone who is looking for a place for next September. Everyone is welcome! The link to book a visit is :- [Our Lady of Lourdes EYFS Open Day – Fill in form](#)

Our Lady of Lourdes
Love, Learn and Grow

Forest School
Children have access to Forest School, helping them explore, discover, learn and grow in nature.

Our Lady of Lourdes EYFS OPEN DAY
Come and see our wonderful early years in action!

Meet our friendly staff
Explore our learning environment
Find out about our EYFS curriculum
See how we support children through Forest School

Tuesday 6th October
9:30am – 11:30am & 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Wednesday 7th October
9:30am – 11:30am & 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Thursday 8th October
9:30am – 11:30am & 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Prefer an individual tour?
Book a personal tour of our school with our Executive Headteacher Mrs Davies, and see our wonderful EYFS provision in action.

Open Evening
Tuesday 10th November
5:00pm – 7:00pm

Scan here to book

To book
Telephone: 0161 761 2026
Email: office@ololbury.stoccat.org.uk
www.ololbury.stoccat.org.uk

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Arbor

Last week we 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 have noticed that quite a few parents have not yet tried to login please could you do this as soon as possible.**

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

The Lost Property box is full on the playground! If your child has lost a coat or jumper or cardigan, please check the box on the playground. Thankyou for your continued support.

Build your Burger Day

Our kitchen are hosting an event on Thursday 1st October where children can build their own Burgers. We emailed information out about this yesterday and have added a poster to the email sending out this Newsletter for further details. Lunch on that day should be booked through School Grid and if you pay for lunches you will have to have credit on the account to enable you to order a lunch for your child for that day.

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 **ololburyrcps**

Bury Cancer Support Centre Coffee Morning



Our Lady of Lourdes
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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

www.justgiving.com/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

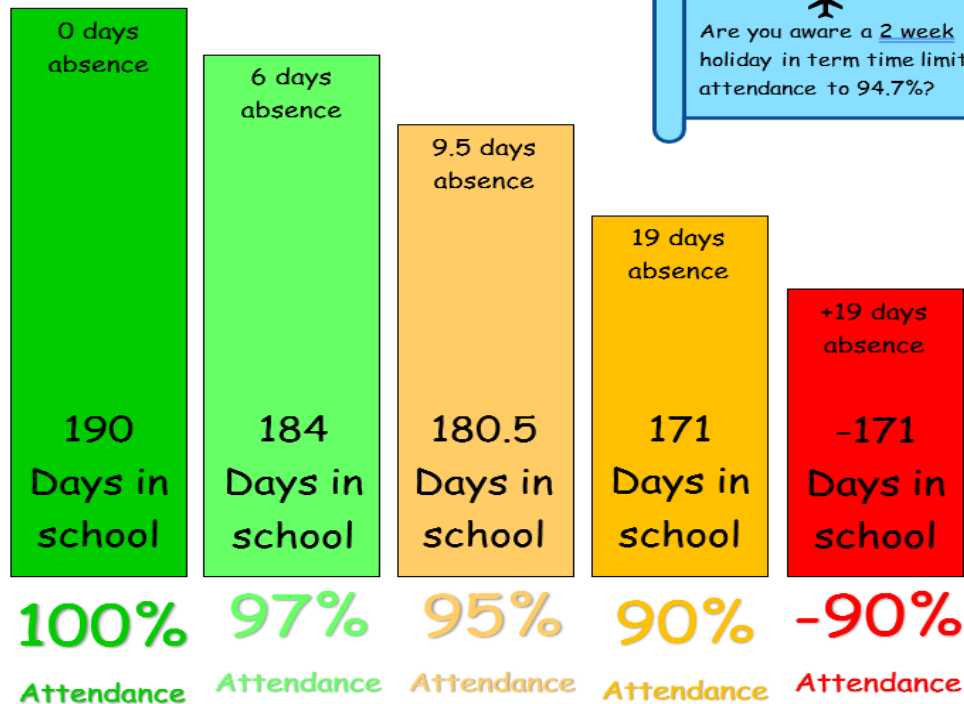
	Mission Award	Rights Respecting Schools Award	Special Mention Award
Class 1	Jemima	Luca	Bobby
Class 2	Owen	Reggie	Jacob
Class 3	Theo	Rose	Caaliyah
Year 5	Elysia	Noah C	Ava
Year 6	Olivia	Emily	Arthur
Headteachers Award	Jessie (Year 1)	Marshall (Year 1)	
Lunchtime Award	Elias		

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	96.25%
Class 2	95.63%
Class 3	97.19%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	91.72%

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



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