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Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School Newsletter

Welcome to our Newsletter. This Newsletter is also available on our School website www.ololbury.com Our website is full of lots of important information so please take a look and learn lots of things about our wonderful School. Please note that paper copies of the Newsletter or anything on our website is available from the School Office.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 2nd September: School reopens **Week 1 of 2**
Tuesday 2nd September: 3.15pm Meet the Teacher
Wednesday 3rd September: New reception children to start
Monday 8th September: **Week 2 of 2**
Monday 9th September: Extra Curricular Clubs to start
Tuesday 9th September: Bury Music Service Demonstration assembly
Wednesday 10th September: Year 5 Playleader training
Monday 15th September: **Week 1 of 2**
Monday 22nd September: **Week 2 of 2**
Friday 26th September: 9.00am Coffee Morning in aid of Bury Cancer Support Centre – everyone welcome
Monday 29th September: **Week 2 of 2**
Monday 29th September: John Hunt School photos – **ALL CHILDREN TO COME IN THEIR FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM TODAY**
Friday 3rd October: CAFOD Family Fast Day – Year 3 assembly – parents welcome
Monday 6th October: **Week 2 of 2**
Monday 13th October: **Week 1 of 2**
Thursday 16th October: 3.30 – 6.30pm – Parents Evening
Friday 17th October: Show Racism the Red Card – Year 4 assembly – parents welcome
Monday 20th October: **Week 2 of 2**
Thursday 23rd October: 3.15pm School closes for half term
Tuesday 4th November: School reopens **Week 1 of 2**

Message from Mrs Davies

Welcome back as we start the new school year. I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are ready for the new school year.

It has been lovely to see the children come back so happy and they all look so smart in their uniforms. Yesterday you had the opportunity to meet the teacher informally and see your child's classroom. All parents and carers should be signed up to Seesaw so you can communicate directly with your child's teacher. Your child's teacher will also keep you updated with what is going on in class and general notices so if you are not signed up, please speak to the teacher or leave a message at the school office to get a QR code to be able to sign up.

We have an open door policy at Our Lady of Lourdes and if you have any questions or concerns please do come and speak to someone in school so we can hopefully answer or solve any problems.

Working in partnership with parents and carers is essential and we are very grateful for the strong partnerships we have.

I am very much looking forward to the year ahead and in this year of the Jubilee, we will pray that all of our school family love, learn and grow together.

Parking

As we start the new school year, please can we remind parents and carers about the risks of dangerous parking and driving slowly around the school area. We have many children and their families walking to school as well as children walking to Old Hall PS. When parents' park on the double yellow lines or park on the pavement, it hinders our families journey to school and could potentially cause accidents. Cars that go too fast will cause an accident.

The gates are open between 8.35-8.45, giving a ten minute window which should reduce the volume of cars for parking. This morning a neighbour has informed us that there were two incidents where children were very close to being knocked down.

Please look after each other and think carefully about where you park and how you drive and let's keep our school family safe.

Uniform Shed

A reminder that the uniform shed is open and available to everyone. There is a donation box if you would like to contribute but there is no expectation. All the uniform is of good quality with lots of "never been worn" uniform. Thank you to everyone who has donated uniform so far.

Extra-Curricular Timetable

Extra-curricular clubs start Monday 8th September. A form was sent out yesterday. Please do complete the form if you would like your child to join any of the clubs.

Linguamarque

Last summer, we were thrilled to have achieved the Languages Linguamarque Silver Award. This prestigious recognition highlights our commitment to exceptional Primary Languages education and the embedding of multiculturalism in our school. #futurelinguists #globalcitizens. Madame Birtwistle has led our school to achieve this quality mark. We thank her for her dedication and hard work.



School uniform

As written in the last newsletter, we have listened to parent feedback and made the decision to adjust the uniform expectations in this new school year. On the day your child has PE, your child will come to school in their PE kit. On the day your child has forest school, they will be able to come to school in their Forest school clothes. If the weather is bad, please send in a change of clothes from forest school. Parents and carers will need to provide the school uniform for their child for three days a week. Below is a list of when each class has their PE and forest school.

CLASS ONE:

PE on Wednesdays (just year 1)
Forest School on Fridays

CLASS TWO:

Forest school on Wednesdays
PE on Fridays

YEAR 3:

Week 1: Monday PE / Forest School Tuesday
Week 2: Monday PE / Tuesday PE

YEAR 4:

Week 1: Monday PE / Tuesday PE
Week 2: Monday PE / Tuesday Forest School

YEAR 5:

Week 1: Monday PE / Thursday Forest School
Week 2: Monday PE / Tuesday PE

YEAR 6:

Week 1: Monday PE / Tuesday PE
Week 2: Monday PE / Thursday Forest School

SEEDLING / ORCHARD:

Forest School on Mondays



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

Spare Undies Appeal

At this time of year we are aware that families will have a sort out and go to look for uniform etc only to find things no longer fit as their child has grown out of it. If you find that you have spare underwear that is still packaged up and unworn and your child has grown out of the size we would welcome donations of these to use as spares for children who may need to get changed for various reasons throughout the day, mainly for our infant classes. These can be left at the office or handed to any of our primary class teachers.

Flu Immunisation Consent Forms

The Flu Immunisation Forms will either have been sent home yesterday or for our new Reception children today or tomorrow. Please could you complete the form as soon as possible and return it to school. Please complete the reverse of the form if you do not wish your child to have the immunisation. The Vaccination Service will keep chasing for these if they are not returned to us.

Changes to Contact Details

This year due to an imminent change in our main school management information system we will not be sending out the Student Update Form. If you have changed your address or telephone numbers over the Summer Holidays please would you email any changes in to the main office email oll@bury.gov.uk It is very important that we have your up to date information in case we need to contact you in an emergency.