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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

Monday 2nd February: Week 2 of 2
Tuesday 3rd February: AM – Indoor Athletics Competition at Castle Leisure Centre
Monday 9th February: Week 1 of 2
Tuesday 10th February: Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 10th February: 8.55am - Year 5 Class assembly – parents and carers welcome
Wednesday 11th February: Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day
Wednesday 11th February: 6.30 – 7.00pm – Safer Internet Day Parent Information session – everyone welcome
Thursday 12th February: Young Voices Concert at Co-op Live for the choir
Thursday 12th February: Afternoon – Reception, Come and Learn with us session for parents
Friday 13th February: International Book Giving Day (14th) Bring a book to school to swap with a friend
Friday 13th February: 3.15pm School closes
Monday 23rd February: School reopens Week 2 of 2
Monday 23rd February: Year 3 swimming lessons everyday this week 1.00 – 2.00pm
Tuesday 24th February – Friday 27th February: Scholastic Book Fair this week
Friday 27th February: Orchard Class Charity for Bury Hospice
Monday 2nd March: Week 1 of 2
Monday 2nd March: 8.55am – Year 3 Prayer and Liturgy – Parents and Carers welcome
Monday 2nd March: Year 4 swimming lessons everyday this week 1.00 – 2.00pm
Wednesday 4th March: 7.00pm Parents meeting at Guardian Angels' Church for children making their First Holy Communion this year (Year 3)
Thursday 5th March: World Book Day – bring a hat to school (see below for further details)
Friday 6th March: Dance workshop in school
Saturday 7th March: 5.30pm – Presentation of children undertaking the Sacramental Programme
Sunday 8th March: 9.15am - Presentation of children undertaking the Sacramental Programme
Monday 9th March: Week 2 of 2
Monday 9th March: 8.55am – Prayer and liturgy led by Class 2 – Parents and Carers welcome
Friday 13th March: 8.55am – Class 1 assembly
Monday 16th March: Week 1 of 2
Monday 16th March: 8.55am – Prayer and liturgy led by Year 6
Monday 16th March: Well-being club trip
Friday 20th March: Year 5 trip
Monday 23rd March: Week 2 of 2
Monday 23rd March: 8.55am – Year 5 prayer and liturgy
Monday 23rd March: 2.30pm Rock Steady concert for parents and carers
Tuesday 24th March: 3.30 – 6.30pm Parents evening
Friday 27th March: Non uniform day for donation of Easter eggs
Monday 30th March: Week 1 of 2

Monday 30th March: 6.00pm Easter Bingo night
Wednesday 1st April: Year 6 Crucial Crew trip
Thursday 2nd April: 1.30pm School to close for Easter

Message from Mrs Davies

Our children continue to shine with another week of great successes. The children have demonstrated their sporting skills through the netball and indoor athletics competitions. The children's musical talents are thriving in the Rock Steady bands and the choirs' rehearsals for Young Voices which will take place next week.

The Year 5 and 6 choir children this week recorded the hymn, 'My beautiful Guardian Angel' for the funeral Mass of Catherine Mercer. Catherine was a parishioner of Guardian Angels' and attended Guardian Angels' Primary School as a child. Her mother Joan, was a volunteer reader for many years at Our Lady of Lourdes and is a great friend to the School and the Federation. With Mrs Osmond's lead, the choir has recorded the hymn to be played during the Mass on Thursday. May thanks to the children and Mrs Osmond, I know Joan will be very touched by their beautiful voices. Next week we have an incredibly busy week with Children's Mental Health week, ESafety Day, Our Lady of Lourdes Feast day, International Book Giving Day and our Young Voices Concert. Please read below for further details.

Netball Success

Well done to our amazing netballers who took part in their first competitive games last Friday. The team won their two matches on the night. The player of the tournament was awarded to Ethan. The children have more matches in the next few weeks. Well done to all the children who took part and a huge thank you to Mrs Kambalis for taking the children and for preparing them so well.



Indoor Athletics Success

Yesterday a group of Year 5 and 6 children attended the indoor athletics competition at Castle Leisure Centre. The children competed against the clock in each event. We will find out the results of the competition in the next few days when all the schools have completed the events. Many thanks to Miss Heywood and Mrs Driver for taking the children.

Mystery Readers Class 1 and Class 2

What an amazing start we had with our first mystery readers this week. An enormous thank you to Mrs Ellison and Mrs Thomas-Garside who came to read to class 1 and class 2. The children (and staff) absolutely loved listening to the stories our mystery readers had chosen. The children are very excited to see who the mystery readers are next week. If you haven't signed up, please do! Please see the information below:

Class 1 and Class 2 are inviting parents, carers, and family members to come into school as Mystery Readers. As part of our Year of Reading, this exciting initiative has started this week during National Storytelling Week and is designed to encourage a love of reading by showing children that reading is valued, enjoyed, and shared by people of all ages. The fun twist is that the children won't know who the Mystery Reader is until they walk through the classroom door, adding an extra element of excitement to story time. If you are a parent/carer/grandparent of a child in Class 1 or Class 2 and are interested in being a Mystery Reader please complete the form in this link

<https://forms.gle/4nqmB8PWJT5D92m88>

Safer Internet Day – 10th February

Tuesday 10th February is Safer Internet Day. Year 5 will be leading an assembly on this day at 8.55am for the whole school to teach them about being safe online. ***Parents and carers of Year 5 children are welcome to join us.***

Safer internet is part of our Computing curriculum and this day is a special day to raise awareness of keeping safe online. Throughout the day, children will be taking part in extra lessons on Esafety.

On Wednesday 11th February at 6.30 – 7.00pm, Miss Dean will be leading a parent information session on keeping children safe online. All parents and carers are welcome to attend this session.

International Book Giving Day – 13th February

On **Friday 13th February**, to celebrate **International Book Giving Day**, the Pupil Voice Team is inviting all children to take part in a book swap! We're asking pupils to bring in a book they've already read and enjoyed, so it can be exchanged for a new story to take home. It's a great way to share the love of reading, discover new books, and give a well-loved story a new home.

World Book Day – 5th March

On **Thursday 5th March** to celebrate World Book Day, we are throwing the '**biggest, bestest, hattiest**' Party inspired by the brilliant story *You Must Bring a Hat* by Simon Philip and Kate Hindley – and yes, the most important rule is that you must bring a hat! Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes and wear a hat they have chosen, made, or designed themselves. The more creative, the better! To get ready for the fun, you can enjoy the story together

here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lv1iMwddlb0> We can't wait to see everyone's fantastic hats and celebrate our love of books together!

Wow competition – 12th February deadline

Thank you to everyone who has handed in an entry so far for the Wow badge competition. There has been a change in date for the entry. **Please can all entries be handed in by Thursday 12th February** in order to be sent off in time over half term.



Free Super Duper Family Festival Wed 18th to Sat 21st Feb

We have been made aware of the above event taking place in Manchester during half term week which is going to be “4 days of Free Half Term Fun” across Manchester City. Please follow the link below for further details:- <https://www.visitmanchester.com/super-duper-family-festival/>

Sacramental Programme 2026

Children in Year 3 will be invited to undertake the Sacramental Programme in the coming months. To make your First Holy Communion, children need to be baptised Roman Catholic. Letters will be sent out through church over the next few weeks but we wanted to highlight some key dates for those children taking part in the programme.

Wednesday 4th March @ 7.00pm -Parents Information meeting at Guardian Angels’ Church

Saturday 7th March at 5.30pm and Sunday 8th March at 9.15am - Presentation of children in Mass at Guardian Angels’ Church

Sunday 12th July - First Holy Communions

For children who are not baptised in Year 3 and are wanting to be baptised and make their First Holy Communion, please contact the school office for further information.

For children in Year 4, 5 or 6 who haven’t made their First Holy Communion but would like to, please can parents contact the school office for further information.

We are looking forward to working with you and your children in preparing your children for their First Holy Communion.

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>

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Award winners

	Mission Award	Rights Respecting Schools Award	Special Mention Award
Class 1	Logan	Mairead	Wren
Class 2	Cora	Leighton	Luke
Year 3	Ava	Tyell	Amy
Year 4	Noah M	Leonardo	Adam
Year 5	Harper	Lola S	Hannah
Year 6	Sienna	John	Amber
Headteachers Award	Jack (Orchard)		

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	93.46%
Class 2	89.03%
Year 3	97.83%
Year 4	99.23%
Year 5	94.00%
Year 6	99.29%