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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 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 – Toast Sale
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 – Parents and Carers welcome
Monday 16th March: Week 1 of 2
Monday 16th March: 8.55am – Prayer and liturgy led by Year 6 – parents and carers welcome
Monday 16th March: Well-being club trip to RHS Gardens
Friday 20th March: Year 5 trip to Fire Service Training Ground
Monday 23rd March: Week 2 of 2
Monday 23rd March: 8.55am – Year 5 prayer and liturgy – parents and carers welcome
Monday 23rd March: 2.30pm Rock Steady concert for parents and carers
Tuesday 24^h 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

As we return to school this week, we start our journey through Lent, a time for praying, giving and fasting. Our prayer areas have turned purple and we have been thinking about our Lenten promises this week.

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On Monday, Edwina, an ambassador from CAFOD came to speak to the children about their overseas fundraising. This Lent, we will be taking part in the Big Lent Walk, to raise money for CAFOD. (More details to follow in the next few weeks)

Every Monday of this term, a class will be leading a prayer and liturgy for the whole school and for parents and carers to join us. On Monday 2nd March, Year 3 will be leading the prayer and liturgy. Please do join us if you can.

Young Voices

Our choir children had the most fantastic time at the Young Voices concert just before half term. The choirs from GA and OLOL came together alongside 8500 other children to perform to a sold-out Co-op Arena. It was an amazing experience! Many thanks to Mrs Osmond for preparing the children so well. Thank you to Miss Heywood and Mrs Day for accompanying the children.

Many thanks to the Bentley family who had a brilliant banner made so that parents could locate us easily in the crowd. Unfortunately, their creative banner was not allowed into the arena but it welcomed us back to school on the school fence! Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to support the children. Same again next year?

Scholastic Book Fair – This week Tuesday 24th February -Friday 27th February

Thank you to everyone who has supported the book fair so far this week. School receive a percentage of the profits made from the sales this week which will be used to buy new books for our class libraries. Thank you for your support.

The Orchard Class Charity – Bury Hospice - This Friday 27th February

On Friday 27th February, The Orchard will be having a toast sale to raise funds for their class charity, Bury Hospice. Toast will be sold at breaktime for 50p. Thank you for your support.

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=lv1iMwddlbo> We can't wait to see everyone's fantastic hats and celebrate our love of books together!

Pinocchio – Dance workshop – 6th March

To continue our World Book Day celebrations, on Friday 6th March, each class will take part in a dance workshop, retelling the story of Pinocchio. This is a great experience to bring a book alive through the medium of dance. A school money payment will be sent out next week for a small contribution of £2 to contribute towards the cost of the workshop. Thank you for support.

Sacramental Programme 2026

A reminder of upcoming dates for parents of children in Year 3 making their First Holy Communion this year.

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

Mystery Readers

Class 1 and Class 2 welcomed the mystery readers this week. In Class One, Mrs Davies came to read a story and in Class Two, Luke's Mum came to read a story. It is the highlight of the children's week, finding out who is the mystery reader – the children love it!

Thank you to our two readers this week. If you haven't signed up and you would like to, please contact Mrs Booth or Miss McErlean.

Eco Team – Let's Go Zero Pledge

Our Eco Team have been busy this week, writing their Let's Go Zero Pledge. The pledge is attached to the end of this newsletter. The Eco Team will be working hard to achieve this pledge with Miss Heywood guiding and supporting them. Good luck to Miss Heywood and the Eco Team!

Clara's fundraiser for Little Princess Trust

18 months ago, Clara decided she wanted to grow her hair to donate to a child with cancer. After doing some research, she chose Little Princess Trust, which has already helped over 20,000 children and young people by providing free wigs and funding research into kinder, more effective cancer treatments.

On 21st February 2026, Clara reached the halfway point of her journey and had her hair cut. She is now fundraising to help cover the cost of a wig, which averages £700 per child.

This is an incredible act of kindness – we are very proud of Clara. If you would like to donate to this wonderful cause, please use the link below to make a donation.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/clara-della-cerra-smith-1>



Aila's fundraiser for The Date Project

Aila has been using her baking skills to raise money for the charity, The Date Project. Aila has been selling her cakes every week and has raised an incredible £163 so far. The Date Project is a charity that brings a gift to children who are in need, as a reminder they have not been forgotten during Ramadan and Eid. The money Aila raises from her weekly baking will buy gifts for other children. This is a wonderful act of kindness. Well done Aila, we are very proud of you!



Easyfundraising for OLOL

Previously our PTA had set up an Easyfundraising account for us. We have 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	Elio	Millie	Jemima
Class 2	Zack	Bethany	Cali
Year 3	Poppy	Florence	Declan
Year 4	Thea	Aydan	Freya
Year 5	Darcey	William C	Thomas
Year 6	Millie	Amber	Francesca
Headteachers Award	Playleaders		

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	93.08%
Class 2	94.84%
Year 3	94.78%
Year 4	92.69%
Year 5	98.00%
Year 6	94.64%

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A colorful poster for an 'Orchard Toast Sale'. The background is a green chalkboard. At the top, a red banner reads 'Orchard' in white. Below it, 'TOAST SALE!' is written in large, bold, yellow letters with a red outline. To the left, the text 'Tasty Toast Delivered to Your Class!' is written in a white, cursive font. In the center, there are two slices of golden-brown toast; the front slice has a pat of butter melting on it. To the left of the toast, a yellow starburst contains the text 'ONLY 50p A SLICE!' in red and black. At the bottom of the poster, a red banner reads 'GET YOUR TOAST DELIVERED TO CLASSROOMS!' in white. Below this banner, a small blue heart icon is followed by the text 'All Proceeds go to Bury Hospice'. The bottom of the poster features illustrations of a toaster, a red apple, a jar of jam, and a stack of books with a pencil.

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