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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 30 March: Week 1 of 2
Monday 30 March: 6.00pm Easter Bingo night
Wednesday 1 April: Year 6 Crucial Crew trip
Thursday 2 April: 1.30pm School to close for Easter
Monday 20 April: School reopens Week 2 of 2
Tuesday 21 April: 1.00pm Year 4 at Holcombe Brook Tennis Club
Wednesday 22 April: 3.45 and 5.00pm – Year 1 Phonics Check Parents meeting
Thursday 23 April: 3.15pm – Year 4 Parents Multiplication Check talk
Monday 27 April: Week 1 of 2
Monday 27 April: Extra Curricular Club timetable to start
Tuesday 28 April: 1.00pm Year 5 at Holcombe Brook Tennis Club
Monday 4 May: Bank Holiday Monday – school closed
Tuesday 5 May: Week 2 of 2
Tuesday 5 May: 1.00pm Year 2 at Holcombe Brook Tennis Club
Monday 11 May: Week 1 of 2
Monday 11 May: Year 6 SATs week
Tuesday 12 May: 1.00pm Year 3 at Holcombe Brook Tennis Club
Friday 15 May: 1.30pm OLOL does Eurovision! Outside concert for Eurovision – parents / carers welcome (*weather permitting!!!*)
Monday 18 May: Week 2 of 2 – Walk to School Week / Laudato Si Week
Tuesday 19 May: 1.00pm Year 6 at Holcombe Brook Tennis Club
Wednesday 20 May: PM - Year 3 retreat for Reconciliation
Friday 22 May: 3.15pm School to close for May half term
Monday 1 June: School reopens Week 1 of 2

Message from Mrs Davies

This morning our GIFT Team and friends led a beautiful Stations of the Cross for the whole school to take part in. Each station had been prepared by the different classes and was held in different parts of the school. The children have been so respectful as they journeyed through school to each station. Many thanks to the children who led the stations and to Mrs Weston who organised the morning.

We are really looking forward to our 'egg'citing day tomorrow when the children in class 1 and class 2 will be showing off their Easter bonnets and Key Stage two children will be sharing their Easter scenes with the whole school. The entries so far are out of this world! They are all so different and amazing!

Tomorrow we finish for the Easter holidays at 1.30pm. I would like to wish you all a happy and holy Easter. I hope you enjoy the time off and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 20 April.

Easter Bingo Night

We had a wonderful evening on Monday at the Easter Bingo Night. There was lots of chocolate for our lucky winners. Many thanks to everyone who donated easter eggs, we are very grateful. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the event, we hope you had a good time. Thank you also to our 2 parents Mrs Moulton and Ms Hamilton for helping to put together the hamper prizes. Finally, thank you to our wonderful staff who organised the event! We made an amazing £400 for school funds to be used for the benefit of the children



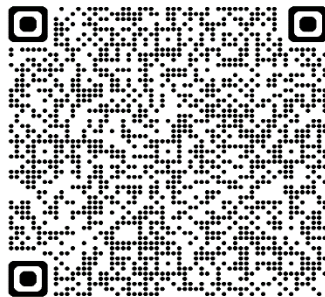
Let Girls Play

Last Friday it was football crazy at OLOL! We were so lucky to have Mr Gardiner in school coaching football to all the children throughout the day. This was a special day to mark the campaign, The Let Girls Play, which is a campaign by the FA to provide equal access to football for girls in schools. Well done to everyone who took part and a special thank you to Mr Gardiner!



On **Thursday 19th March**, we are well under way with our Big Lent Walk. We aim to walk over 200km as a school in two weeks. This is a wonderful event and we hope to raise lots of money for CAFOD. Please can you share this event with friends and family as we try to raise lots of money for CAFOD. **To make a donation, there is a link below or a QR Code which will go directly to CAFOD and log on our School Page. Many thanks for your support. Thank you to everyone who has donated already our total is at £317 up to now.**

[Big Lent Walk OLOL](#)



Sporting Success

Well done to our Year 5 Netball team (+ one year 3!) who played a friendly netball match away at Our Lady of Grace yesterday. The match ended in a 7-7 draw. This is a great result as this was the first time many of our players had played

in a match away from school! Thank you to Mrs Kambalis for working so hard with the children. Mrs Kambalis reported how brilliant our children were and what fantastic ambassadors they were for our school – great news!

World Book Night – Thursday 23 April

As part of our National Year of Reading events, we are excited to celebrate World Book Night on Thursday 23rd April from 7.00–8.00pm! We are encouraging all children and their families to take part by enjoying an hour of reading together. Whether it's sharing a favourite bedtime story, listening to an audiobook, or diving into a much-loved novel, this is a wonderful opportunity to relax and enjoy the magic of books. We would love to see how you take part, so please send photos of your reading time to your class teacher on Seesaw. We hope everyone will join us in making reading a special part of the evening!

Year 1 Phonics Check Parents Information Meeting

On Wednesday 22 April, Mrs Booth will be leading a Phonics Check Information Session for our Year 1 parents and carers. All Year 1 children (from class 1 and class 2) will be taking the statutory phonics check test in June. This information session is an opportunity to learn about the assessment and to be informed on how we are getting the children ready for the check and how you can support at home. We have two sessions available – 3.45pm and 5.00pm on Wednesday 22 April. We hope you will be able to join us for one of these sessions.

Year 4 Multiplication Check Parents Information Meeting

On Thursday 23 April at 3.15pm, Miss Heywood will be leading a Multiplication Check Session for our Year 4 parents and carers. All Year 4 children will be taking the statutory Multiplication Check test in June. This information session is an opportunity to learn about the assessment and to be informed on how we are getting the children ready for the check and how you can support at home.

Easter Bonnet Competition Classes 1 and 2

We are having an Easter Bonnet Competition for Class 1 and Class 2 Children. Children who wish to take part are to design and make their Easter bonnet's **at home** and bring them in to take part in an **Easter Bonnet Parade on the Thursday 2nd April**. There will be a fee of £2 to take part and this can be paid through School Money before the 2nd April. The payment is set up already. We can't wait to see what designs the children will come up with.





Design an Easter Scene Competition – KS2 children only

For our KS2 (Year 3 upwards) children we are having a Design an Easter Garden Scene using eggs. See pictures below for inspiration and ideas. The closing date for entries will be Monday 30th March and there will be a £2 entry fee if your child wishes to take part, and the payment can be made through School Money before 30th March. The payment is set up already.

Rock Angel Readers

My name is Rebecca and I run a local children's bookshop called **Rock Angel Readers**. I am organising a **free Community Book Treasure Hunt in Bury parks during the Easter holidays** to encourage children to keep reading while also enjoying time outdoors in the fresh air.

During the event, children and families will be able to explore local parks and look for hidden books. When a child finds a book, they can **take it home to keep**, helping them build their own library and continue their reading journey.

The event will take place in several Bury parks including **Openshaw Park, Burrs Park, Nuttall Park and Clarence Park**. The dates will be **between 6th–15th April**, with the exact days confirmed the week before so we can make the most of the weather

Parents can follow **Rock Angel Readers on Facebook** for updates, or contact me directly at rebeccalund36@gmail.com for more information.

Thank you very much for supporting reading within the community.

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	Joshua	Peter	Wren
Class 2	Eve	Hamdaan	Bethany
Year 3	Rose	Rosalei	Emily
Year 4	Ariah	Arthur	Aila
Year 5	Olivia	William A	Arlo W
Year 6	John	Ali	Charlie
Headteachers Award	Nathan (Year 5)		

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	98.24%%
Class 2	97.50%
Year 3	93.33%
Year 4	92.96%
Year 5	95.86%
Year 6	96.79%

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