



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th December 2024
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Go shine
in the world



Dear parents and carers,

A huge thank you for all of your donations last week for non-uniform day. Your children raised **£120.10** which we send to Plan International for the two children we sponsor.



Thank you for supporting your children using the 'Travelling Crib' at home, as we prepare for Christmas. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to lead prayer at home and talk about God's greatest gift to us - his Son.

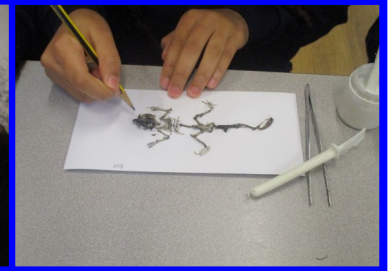


With best wishes, Mrs. O'Reilly and Ms. Richardson

Y6 Science off the Page (Prey and Predators)



On Tuesday, our year 6 children were joined by the year 6 children from one of our partnership schools - St Joseph's, for a workshop about prey and predators. The children dissected owl pellets to collect the bones of the animals the owls had eaten. They then used a key to identify the bones of the animals and used a body map to reconstruct the skeleton.



Christmas Parties...

Each year we organise Christmas parties for the children at Our Lady's where they play party games and have some party food. The dates for these are in the 'Important dates for your diary' section overleaf.

Children can wear their own clothes on the day of their class party.



Christmas Cards...

If your child would like to write Christmas cards for their friends, they can bring them in and post them in the school post box. Christmas cards will be handed out at the end of term.



Reception, Y1 and Y2 Nativity

A reminder that parents are invited to attend Reception, Y1 and Y2's Nativity performance next week. Please take a look at the 'Important dates for your diary' section for more information.



Christmas Craft Sales

Please come along to our Christmas Craft Sales in the school hall from 3.00pm, on the dates below:

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - Tuesday 10th December

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Wednesday 11th December

You will be able to buy a craft that your child has made. All crafts will be on sale for £1.00 each. This money will be donated to the **St Vincent De Paul Society for homeless teenagers.**



I have received and read the Our Lady's Primary School newsletter of 06.12.2024

Signed _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Important dates for your diary...



- Monday 9th December** - Y6 and Y5 Class Christmas party
- Tuesday 10th December** - Christmas Pantomime Performance for children
- Tuesday 10th December** - Y4 and Y3 Class Christmas party
- Tuesday 10th December** - EYFS and KS1 Christmas Craft sale for parents in the hall
- Wednesday 11th December** - Y2 and Y1 Class Christmas party
- Wednesday 11th December** - KS2 Christmas Craft sale for parents in the hall
- Thursday 12th December** - Rec and KS1 Nativity performance for Reception and Year 1 parents
- Friday 13th December** - Rec and KS1 Nativity performance for Year 2 parents
- Monday 16th December** - Nursery and Reception Class Christmas party
- Tuesday 17th December** - Nursery Nativity performance for Nursery parents
- Wednesday 18th December** - Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 18th December** - Y3 to Y6 Carol Concert for parents in the hall
- Friday 20th December** - Last day of term - children finish at 3.30pm
- Monday 6th January** - children return to school after the Christmas holidays

2nd Sunday of Advent



Help us, Lord
to be like John the Baptist,
filled with your spirit and brave enough
to say and do what is right.
Give us the courage to choose the right way,
despite what others might say or think,
because we believe in you
and love you with all our hearts.
Amen

Best Attendance this week...



For children to learn well and make good progress, it is vital that they attend school every day.
Congratulations to **Year 2** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week **95.56%**
Year 2 really showed the Christian value of **Community** by helping their class to have the best attendance this week.
Please make sure your child is in school every single day.
Thank you for your help with this :)

New date for Parents Working Alongside Children in Y3



This session will now be held on:
Friday 12th December
A letter will go out in your child's book bag so you can reserve your space.

The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Anisa** in **Y2**.

Anisa has won a £5 gift voucher to spend in Waterstones.



Every week, one person from each class is chosen to be '**Person of the week.**' They are chosen due to their excellent attitude and learning behaviour, and for the fantastic work they are producing in class.

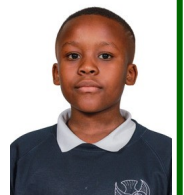
Person of the Week last week was...!

- Reception - Kasey
- Year 1 - Acaccia
- Year 2 - William
- Year 3 - Ivy-Rose
- Year 4 - Ayaan
- Year 5 - Leo
- Year 6A - Aniyah
- Year 6B - Jeremiah



Work of the Week!

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).



Year 6 have been learning to compare and order fractions with different denominators, by finding a common multiple.

Queynan worked systematically to find the lowest common multiple and then order the fractions in ascending order.

Queynan was also able to identify the lowest common multiple without needing to write out the times tables.

Well done **Queynan!**

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{10}{15} \quad \frac{4}{5} = \frac{12}{15}$$

Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mr Withers or Mrs O'Reilly.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.



FENCING. DODGEBALL. KAYAKING. SWIMMING. LASERTAG. TRAMPOLINING. DJ WORKSHOP. TABLE TENNIS. CHESS

OUTDOOR COOKING. FOOTBALL. CODING. LEGO. BAKING. COMICS. ART.

DRAMA. BOXING. LONDON ZOO. ICE-SKATING. GAMES. COOKING. GO KARTING. GO APE. MUSEUMS. GARDENING

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HAF PROGRAMME
21st Dec 24 to 5th Jan 25

Free for children aged 5-16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals and live in the borough of Camden.



**4 HOURS A DAY
ACTIVITIES AND MEAL INCLUDED!**



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Join the Winter Reading Challenge at your local library

9 December 2024 - 10 February 2025

Browse our children's collection
in person or online!



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Reading with your child at home... Top Tips!

Children use their phonics to help them sound out and read words in their Read Write Inc books.

Here is a helpful video for parents on how to say the sounds

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUbrJPA165q>. This can also be found

by typing: *Ruth Miskin how to say the sounds* into YouTube.



Top tips for reading with your child:

- Make a **regular time** to read with your child with no interruptions
- Make reading a **pleasurable time**. Get excited about books and reading - children will feed off your excitement and want to read more!
- **Read to your child** as well as **listening to them read** to you
- Give your child some **thinking time** when they get stuck
- Prompt your child to use their **phonics** (Fred Finger) to sound out words

