



Our Lady's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Go, shine in
the world and
live as Jesus
lived



Dear parents and carers,

Yesterday the children and staff at Our Lady's enjoyed a fabulous day of creativity and fun as part of **'Word Aware Day'**. We enjoyed celebrating a wealth of English vocabulary, **introduced more than 200 words to your children**, through word games, and held a special assembly at the end of the day - **photographs to follow in next week's newsletter!** Your creativity in helping your children with their costumes was wonderful. Dressing up as their word makes their learning memorable. **Thank you so much for entering into the spirit of Word Aware Day.**

With best wishes, Mrs. O'Reilly (Head of School) and Ms. Richardson (Executive Headteacher)



Religious Education at Our Lady's - 'Looking After Our World Studies'

Last week, the children at Our Lady's were learning about **key environmental topics**, such as: **waste; reduce, re-use and recycle, energy; water and electricity in the home, renewable energy and using less energy, pollution; transport pollution, plastic pollution, air pollution and carbon footprints and nature; save our seas, endangered animals and deforestation.**



The children have been learning that our world is a gift from God and we are called as stewards to look after it.

Catholic Social Teaching at Our Lady's...

Each half term, we focus on a different principle of Catholic Social Teaching. These principles are rooted in our faith and designed to help us to live a life that is just and fair for all in our world, thinking of others, not just ourselves.

This half term our theme is **Community and Participation.**

The children have been learning that:

- We are part of a community when we are kind, helpful, and caring.
- We help others at school and at home because **Jesus teaches us to love one another.**
- We are all part of God's family and everyone has a part to play in making the world fair, kind and loving.

"Let each of you look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others."

Philippians 2:4



Measles cases are increasing in Camden, please check if your child is vaccinated.

Measles is very contagious and can result in serious health complications, especially for children and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

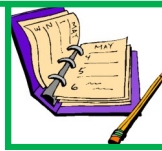
The only protection against the most severe forms of measles is two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. You can check if your child has had both doses of the vaccine by looking in their Red Book. If your child hasn't had both doses of MMR or you're not sure if they have, contact your GP for a free vaccine.

I have received and read the Our Lady's Primary School newsletter of 06.03.2026

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 March - Y3 swimming starts today - every day for 2 weeks

Thursday 12th March @ 9.00am - Y5 leave for mass at Our Lady of Hal - **parents invited**

Friday 13th March @ 9.15am - Reception Class Prayer Service for parents

WB 16th March - last week of after-school enrichment clubs

Thursday 19th March @ 9.00am - Y3 leave for mass at Our Lady of Hal - **parents invited**

Friday 20th March - Red Nose Day - children and staff wear something red and donate £1.

Friday 20th March @ 9.15am - Nursery Class Prayer Service for parents

Wednesday 25th March @ 10.00am - Spring Term Music Concert

Friday 27th March - Non-Uniform Day

Friday 27th March - Last day of Spring term. Children finish school at 3.30pm

Monday 13th April - children return to school for the summer term

Our School Prayer

Third Sunday of Lent

We thank you Jesus, for the blessing of water; for being able to turn on a tap and know that it will flow; for the rain and the rivers and the mighty oceans.

We thank you for the 'water of life', poured out and shared with us at our baptism, and throughout our lives, so that we can have everlasting life.

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 6** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week - **100%**

Year 6 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 :)



The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Gabriella** in **Year 3**. **Gabriella** 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 - Amaiyah
Year 1 - Khalil
Year 2 - Connie
Year 3 - Ayyub
Year 4 - Inaya
Year 5 - Ange-Michel
Year 6 - Chiara

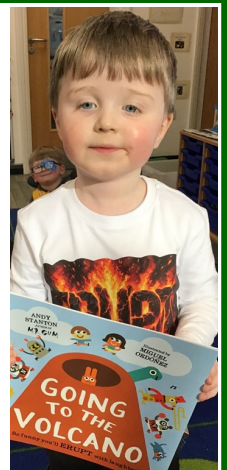


Work of the Week!

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

On Thursday, **Nursery Class** took part in 'Word Aware Day'. As part of the day the children participated in word games to better understand their own words and their friend's words.

Albie's word was 'Erupt'. Albie was able to explain that erupt means 'a volcano exploding'. **Albie** was also able to explain that when a volcano erupts, all the lava comes down the grass and you need to run. **Albie** even found an *erupting* book to match his Word Aware Day word.



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.



Learn at the library

Camden Kids Talk: Helping your child find their voice

In Camden many families face challenges, with around 4 in 10 children growing up in poverty. This can mean fewer opportunities for children to hear lots of language, enjoy books, or take part in activities that support early development. Since the pandemic, more children have also started nursery and school with speech and language delays, affecting their learning and wellbeing.

That's why Camden council has launched Camden Kids Talk, a borough-wide programme bringing together local health and education services, family hubs and libraries to support children's speech and language from pregnancy to age five.

We know the early years matter. Simple, everyday moments like talking, singing, playing and sharing books together help build the foundations for learning and confidence.

Libraries play an important part in this. Our story times and rhyme sessions help little ones build vocabulary and listening skills, while giving families a warm, welcoming place where they can borrow great picture books.

You can also sign up for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, which sends a free book every month to children aged 0 to 5 years old, a wonderful way to build a home library.

Alongside library services, local [family hubs](#) also offer books to take home and keep through the Children's Book Project as well as stay and play sessions, parenting workshops and advice from professionals, with extra support available if needed.

Camden Kids Talk brings services together so that support starts earlier, advice is consistent, and families can access help more easily. It is part of a [national focus](#) on giving every child the best start in life.



The guys at the Mini marathon have added an Under 12s race in this years [Mini Marathon Championships](#), which means that children in years 5 & 6 will have an opportunity to take part in this year's championship races

In order to qualify children will need to attend a trial at Parliament Hill Playing Fields.

Event Details:

Date: Sunday 08th March

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Distance: 2.5K

To register your place please complete the entry form in the link below

[MINI MARATHON TRIALS 2026 – Fill in form](#)

FOODIEWALL ART

COMPETITION

Let your imaginations run wild and win £200 fund for your school and £20 book voucher for **YOU!**

DEADLINE 31ST MARCH

CREATE AN **A4 PAGE OF COLOURFUL, FOODIE-INSPIRED LANDSCAPES.**

THINK BROCCOLI TREES, BAGUETTE FENCES, OR EVEN CARROT CHIMNEYS – THE MORE CREATIVE, THE BETTER!

MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE YOUR **NAME, AGE AND SCHOOL ON THE BACK!**

EITHER POST TO **HOP HOUSE TN2 4HS** OR EMAILED TO **INFO@CATERLINKLTD.CO.UK**

*Good
luck*