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Fire Safety



Our Y5 learnt about fire safety around the home and how dangerous fire and smoke can be.



Learning about the court of law



Our Y6 learnt about the role of magistrates and how the court system works! Maybe we have a future judge among them!



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Change Makers at Chester Zoo



**Our Change Makers have
been planning how
stakeholders can
address problems with
our rivers and oceans...**

**Our Change Makers have
been thinking about the
nearby River Mersey and
what can be done to help
it and the wildlife
around it...**



**Oh and they got to see
Nellie too!**

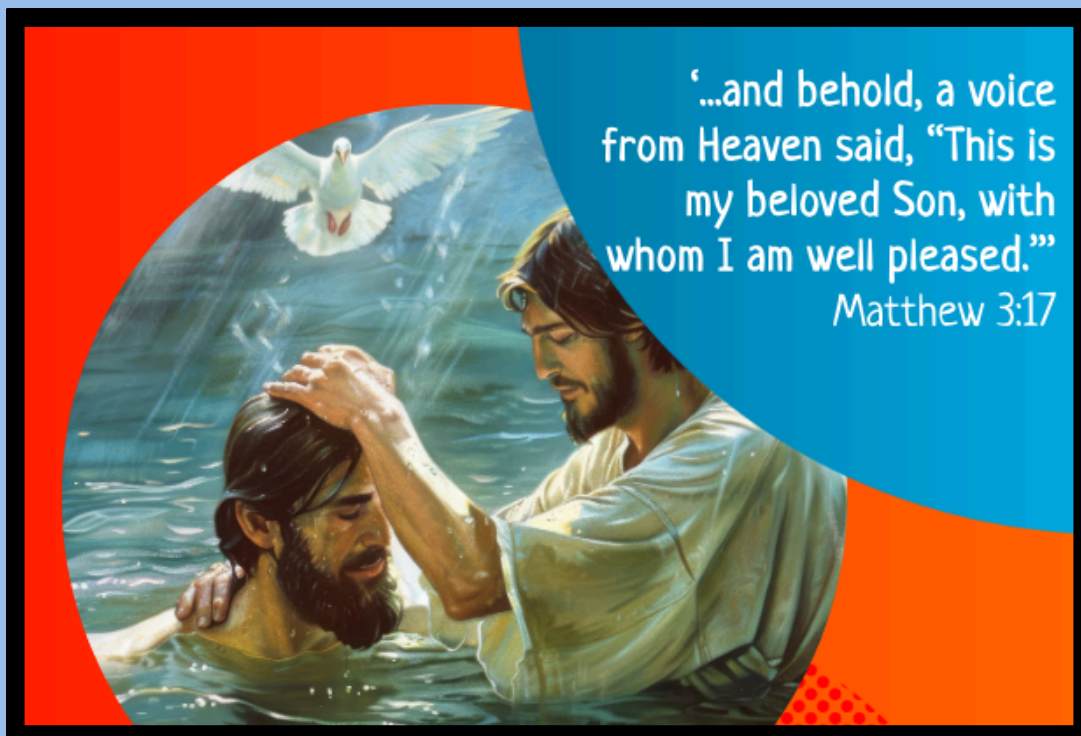
Our Mission Statement



As Our Lady instructed, we are called to follow His Word (John 2:5) - learning with love, joy and hope.

In this week's gospel the children learnt that Jesus' Baptism was a beautiful event that made a bold statement - He is God's Son!

We are all invited to follow Jesus' example of baptism and make a bold statement for God in how we live our lives.



'...and behold, a voice from Heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:17

Attendance...



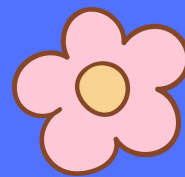
The school target each week is 96%.

This week was... 96.1% YES! Great improvement from last week.

Attendance is crucial for your child's learning development so let's work together to keep their attendance levels as high as they can be...

Rec: 96%
Y1: 95%
Y2: 99%
Y3: 97%
Y4: 96%
Y5: 97%
Y6: 94%

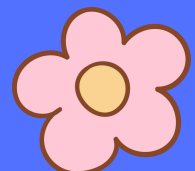
This week's winners
are Y2 with 99%!
Well done!



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| 95% = | 40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days | ATTENDANCE MATTERS WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN? BE SMART BE THERE! <small>Percentages based on 190 academic days</small> |
| 90% = | 80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day | |
| 85% = | 120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days | |
| 80% = | 160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days | |



What it all means...

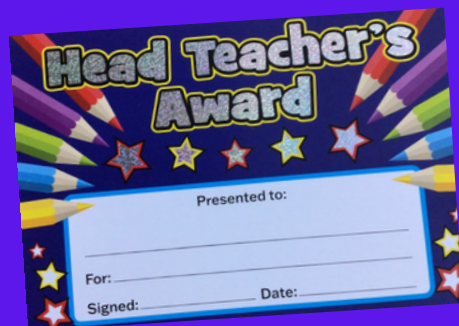
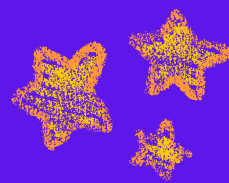


Recognition Awards

In Friday's assembly, we were proud to celebrate pupils who gained Recognition Certificates for attributes such as kind behaviour, positive attitudes and superb classwork...

We also celebrate those who did amazing Maths work with their TTRS or Numbot work!

We celebrate great lunchtime behaviour, with a certificate and..... the greatest pencil in the world! And Mr Gilby likes to give a headteacher award to outstanding pupils!



Healthy Eating at Our Lady's



Tasty Tuck Snack List

Banana
Grapes (cut lengthways)
Oranges / tangerines
Pears
Apples
Berries
Carrot sticks

Cucumber
Bread sticks
Cheese straws
Babybels
Yoghurt tubes
Plain rice cakes

None of the following are permitted snacks in school: Chocolate, sweets, cakes, biscuits, crisps...

And to drink...

Water ... or, Low sugar cordial / juice



We were proud of our Tasty Tuck Award last year and want to continue encouraging children to eat healthily. Thank you to parents for supporting us and being mindful of our posters...

As well as healthy snacks at break times, we would kindly ask that any packed lunches also have a good balance of foods with no chocolate.

Chocolate can be used as a treat at home...

Reminders



Attendance

We know attendance matters - it impacts upon every child's learning and we thank you for your efforts to ensure your child attends every day to help their education.

Punctuality

Please remember that our school bell goes at 8.45am. That is the time all pupils should be lined up and learning starts immediately with 'Fluent in Five.' It is very important your child is on time each day.

Gates - these will be opened at 8.30am then locked at 8.50am; they will be opened again at 3.05pm for the end of the day...



Uniform

A reminder to please ensure your child has the correct school uniform on each day, including shoes not trainers, etc. Thank you.

We now keep lost/spare uniform in our storage area near the office. You are welcome to come and look in it for any lost uniform or to take any good quality spare uniform free of charge that has not been reclaimed.

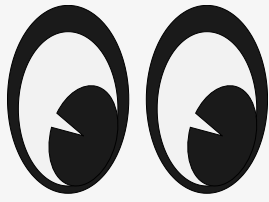
PE kit

Our PE kit is a blue or white t-shirt and dark shorts; suitable trainers for exercise; long hair to be tied up/back; no jewellery to be worn. Thank you.

After school clubs

Letters went out to highlight those clubs on offer with details of how to pay, if there is a fee. See the office if you have any queries.





What's coming up:

January:

13th : Magistrates in the community with Y6.

14th : Fire service visit with Y5.

15th : 'ChangeMaker' pupils at Chester Zoo.

20th : Rivers Workshop with Y3.

21st : LA weights & measures session for Y6 & YR.

22nd : Y1 Geography trip to Victoria Park.

22nd : 2.30pm Y2 Book & a Biscuit session.

February:

2nd : Y3 Book & a Biscuit session.

11th : Let's Get Active Festival at Orford Hub.

12th : Y4 Children's Shakespeare Workshop.

**13th : Y4 Catholic Social Teaching assembly -
parents welcome!**

Head teacher's comment...

There's always so much going on at Our Lady's and the week seems to go in a flash! It's rewarding to see the pupils' happy faces as they engage in a myriad of learning opportunities from super lessons to sport, music, drama and key talks...

Every child, and staff member, has earned two days rest!

As always, I hope everyone has a happy and peaceful weekend.

Mr Gilby



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