



# OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY

## *Newsletter*

**28.11.25 & 5.12.25**

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## **Parliament Week!**

This week has been National Parliament Week and our Y5 have been learning about how Parliament works and what members of Parliament (MPs) do... they even learnt first hand from our local MP, Sarah Hall!



## **Crucial Crew!**

This week our Y6 learnt about health and safety issues and making good choices within the community when they visited the Crucial Crew teams...

## **Gulp!**

We recently had a special assembly from Warrington Wolves representatives who spoke about the importance of good nutrition including the benefits to the human body of water and hydration.

## **Competition Winners!**

Children show off their 'Power for Good' anti-bullying posters to remind us all to use our gifts for good...





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### Library Visit

**This week our Y1 & Y2 pupils enjoyed visiting a local library where they got a chance to read different books and also listen to a story from the librarian.**

**Thanks to the staff for organising and family volunteers...**



### Taekwondo

**Our Y3 & \$ pupils continue to enjoy Taekwondo sessions as part of their PE development...**

### Health & Safety and Lockdown

**We recently completed a Health & Safety evaluation and we are delighted to say we achieved 100% !**

**Also this week we practised a 'lockdown' to reinforce our good practice surrounding health and safety. The children, who were aware of this, practised maturely and were terrific.**



## Faith corner

### Our Mission Statement



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

### Advent

**We began our Advent journey together with  
some of our Y6 Faith Leaders lighting the  
first candle and sharing the message of  
hope:**

**"Hope comes into our lives with the promise  
that God is about to enter our world."**





# We Love Reading!



## Book and a Biscuit!

To further our love of reading, and having quality time to enjoy books, our year groups take it in turn to arrange half-termly 'Book and a Biscuit' sessions. It has been great to see so many parents visiting to support this - thank you!

LET'S KEEP PROMOTING THE JOYS OF READING!

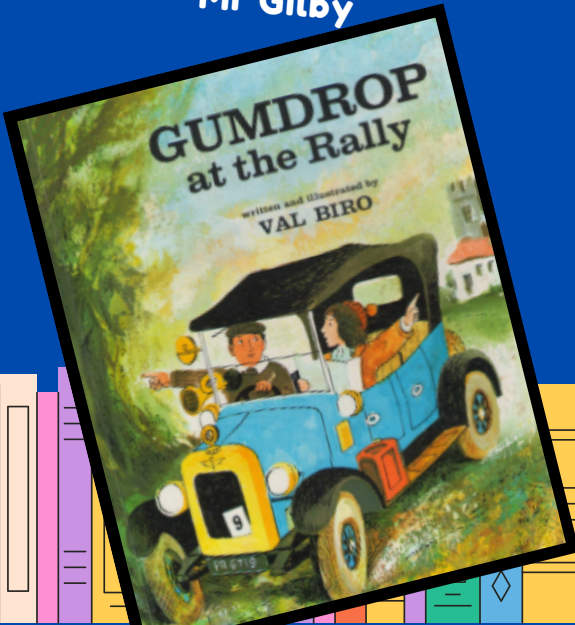


## READING RECOMMENDATIONS

"One of my favourite younger children's series was about the adventures of Gumdrop the Car!"  
Mr Gilby

"One of my favourite books is called The Wild Robot. I'm fascinated by robots and like wild animals, and this has both!"

Marco Y4



# 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 or... a reward at home once they have completed their reading!**



## Attendance...



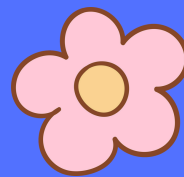
The school target each week is 96%.

This week was... 95% Close!

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: 93%  
Y1: 94%  
Y2: 92%  
Y3: 93%  
Y4: 96.5%  
Y5: 95%  
Y6: 93%

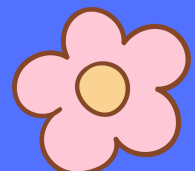
This week's winners  
are Y4!  
Well done!



95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days	<b>ATTENDANCE MATTERS</b>  WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?  <b>BE SMART BE THERE!</b> <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... and we celebrate those who did amazing Maths work with their times tables recall, TTRS Rock Stars ... and Numbot legends!**

**Well done also to Lilly in Y1 for her Headteacher Award!**





## Head teacher's comment...

I was unable to produce a letter last week due to other commitments so this edition is a fortnightly letter... as usual jam-packed with exciting things our children have done or experienced...

I continue to be grateful, walking into classrooms or being on the playground and seeing the wonderful way our children engage in everything we do with passion...

We are once again in the season of Advent and it's a great time to reflect upon the excitement children feel at this time of year but also the true meaning of CHRISTmas... we prepare to celebrate Jesus Christ who God sent into the world for us.

Despite the changing weather, I hope you all have a peaceful and happy weekend.

Mr Gilby



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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OLWA4>

Instagram: ourladyswa4





## Looking ahead...



### DECEMBER:

4<sup>th</sup> - 12.45 - 3pm Y1 & 2 library visit.

5<sup>th</sup> - 2.30pm Rocksteady Concert.

8<sup>th</sup> - 3.30-5pm Christmas Movie Night.

10<sup>th</sup> - 6pm-7pm Nativity by EYFS & KS1.

11<sup>th</sup> - 2.15pm - 3.15pm Nativity by EYFS & KS1.

12<sup>th</sup> - 1-2pm School Choir perform at Golden Square, Warrington.

15<sup>th</sup> - 9am - 1pm Pantomime at Brindley Theatre - whole school.

16<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Lunch...

16<sup>th</sup> - 6-8pm School Choir\*\* perform at Liverpool Cathedral.

\*\*Letters have gone out to sign up.

17<sup>th</sup> - 1.30-3pm KS2 Medley Music Concert: parents most welcome.

18<sup>th</sup> - 1.30pm Classroom Christmas Parties.

19<sup>th</sup> - 9am Final Advent assembly.

19<sup>th</sup> - School closes normal time.

YOU CAN ALSO SEE KEY DATES ON OUR WEBSITE...

# Joy to the World

**Tuesday 16th December**  
**Doors open at 6.40pm**

 **HFCMAT**

**It promises to be a special night as all Holy  
Family Trust Schools sing in Liverpool  
Cathedral!**