



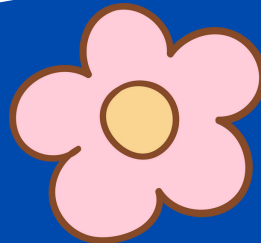
OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY

Newsletter

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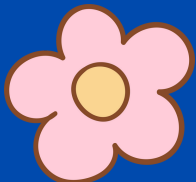
This week...

Pupil Voice...



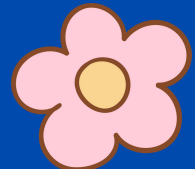
In YR, Neveah enjoyed practising in phonics and concentrated really well! The whole class enjoyed listening to Funny Bones and learning about the human skeleton.

In Y1, Tommy enjoyed his Geography lesson, finding his way around the playgrounds using a map.

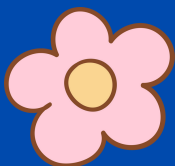


In Y2, Mason enjoyed writing a letter in English, pretending to be Tabitha's mum and dad.

In Y3, Paisley enjoyed sketching flowers in art while Phoebe liked looking at a new book - Seal Surfer - and learning new vocabulary.

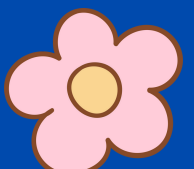


In Y4, Isla enjoyed opportunities to read...



In Y5, Oliver enjoyed his Science lesson, continuing their work on forces.

In Y6, Eliza enjoyed writing a diary entry while Angelica enjoyed playing with her friends and YR buddy...



We Love Reading!



SECRET READERS

This week we had our first 'Secret Reader' visit the school! They spoke to the children in their child's class about one of their favourite books and read a part of it to the children.

Mrs Cook read and even brought in Harry's pet tortoise Mrs Boo!

If you are a parent or relative and would like to pay a 'secret' visit, please get in touch with the class teacher to arrange a time that suits... it's a great way to encourage the children to foster a love of books!



READING RECOMMENDATIONS

This week Leila, Eliza and Delilah shared books they have enjoyed and explained to the school why they liked them so much!



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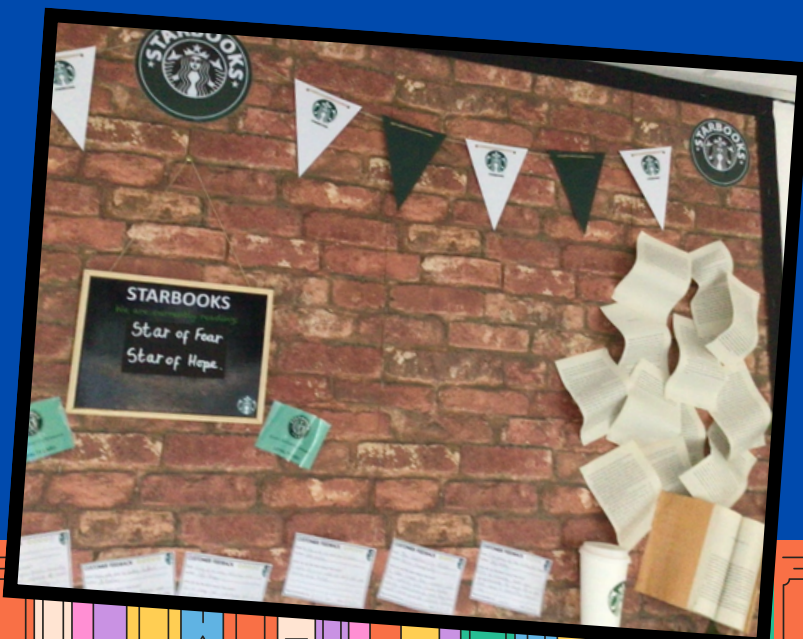
Author visit...

On Monday we will be welcoming author Simon Adepetun who will lead an assembly and workshops with classes. Please note he will be selling signed copies of his books after school, in the school hall...



Y6 'Starbooks'

Our Y6 have continued to share their book recommendations on their fab display!



Dinner Hall Behaviour Recognition

Every day our Midday Assistants pick out examples of beautiful behaviour in the dinner hall and award golden tickets.

Each Friday, one ticket is drawn as our Dinner hall behaviour star and they receive a certificate and 'the greatest pencil in the world!'

Plus, every ticket from that week is added to our jar for an end of year prize - a voucher for a family to enjoy a meal... Jacob in Y6 won the prize last July...

The more tickets they earn, the more chance each child has of winning that voucher this time around.

It's wonderful to see the children behave so maturely within our dinner hall and impress our MDA and cooks!



Well done to
Aodhan in Y1
for his fab
behaviour in
the dinner hall
this week!



Healthy Eating at Our Lady's

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...



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



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 once they have completed their reading!!!



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.

We're proud of our prayer spaces which let children connect with God in a quiet, personal space...



This week's Gospel message

This week the children learnt about the secret of true wealth: their faith in God and the gifts He gives us.

Through the parable of the rich man and the poor man, children explored how God wants them to live life to the full, now and for eternity!



Harvest Festival

As we approach the time of year when crops are harvested and we give thanks for the foods we are able to have, we wish to remember and help those in our community who may find times hard.

Once again, we are asking Our Lady's family to donate any spare foodstuffs. In October we will box up your donations and offer them to a local community project - St. Joseph's Family Centre. They were very grateful for our support last year and it is a wonderful opportunity to remember we are in the Church's Jubilee Year of Hope.

Please do try to spare what you can and donate... we will gather our donations in the hall until it is time to pass them on Thursday 16th October (which is World Food Day).

Many thanks to those who have already donated 😊



Attendance...

The school target each week is 96%.

This week was 96.5% - YES WE DID IT !

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: 97%
Y1: 96%
Y2: 98%
Y3: 97%
Y4: 97%
Y5: 94%
Y6: 96%

This week's winners
are Y2!
Well done!

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! Percentages based on 190 academic days
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! And, Ronan became a 'ROCK STAR'... awesome dude!



Congratulations also to Zina in Y4 and Angelica in Y6 for their Head teacher Awards.





Looking ahead...



October:

6th - Author Workshops visit. Please note the author will be selling signed copies of his books after school, in the hall...

9th - 8.30am onwards: Individual and family photos.

10th - 9am Y3 Catholic Social Teaching Assembly (parents invited).

13th & 14th - Y5 'Bikeability' course.

15th - Parents' Evening: slots 2 - 7pm.

16th - 9am Harvest Assembly (donations sent to St. Joseph's Family Centre).

23rd - 2.30 - 3.15pm Y3 'Book and a Biscuit'

23rd - Last day for pupils... half-term.

24th - INSET Day. Staff only.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE, JUST ASK!





After-school clubs

Monday: Y3 - 6 TTRS with Miss Pickering 3.20pm - 4.15pm.
Collect from class 4.

Tuesday: Y3 - 6 Cross country club with Miss Dixon 3.20pm - 4.15pm. Collect from the field.

Wednesday: Y3 - 6 Choir with Medley Music (Fran) 3.20 - 4.15pm
Collect from Y5&6 exit.

~~Thursday: Y1-6 Chess Club with Sadun. 3.35pm - 4.35pm.
Collect from class 4.~~

Sadly there was a low response for the chess club and the chess coach - Sadun - has had to cancel this club.

Friday: Y1 - 3 Football. Collect from front of school.

If you know of trusted, high-quality after-school club providers who would be interested in running a club next half-term, do let us know via the school office.

Head teacher's comment...

The week is ending on a bit of a wet note weather-wise but this week has seen lots of terrific learning and wonderful behaviour from our pupils.

We can all be proud of the way the pupils adhere to our school rules and are inspired by our gospel-inspired values...

It was great to see our first 'Secret Reader' session too and I hope many of you feel inspired to come in and share a book you enjoyed (bringing a live animal is not mandatory!).

I hope everyone has a happy and peaceful weekend.

Mr Gilby



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