

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

*We aspire that through the love of Jesus everyone
should "have life and have it to the full."*



NEWSletter

Friday 14th November 2025



Loving God,

November is the month when we
remember

all those who are no longer with us.
We thank You for the special people
who loved us, cared for us,
and helped us to grow.

Please welcome them into Your light
and peace.

Help us to keep their memories in
our hearts

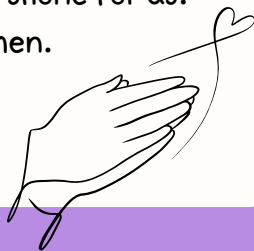
and to share their love with others.

Be close to anyone who is sad or
missing someone.

Fill them with Your comfort and
Your hope.

May we always shine with kindness,
just as they shone for us.

Amen.



Message from Headteacher

As we continue through this busy term, I
want to thank all our families for their
support in helping our children thrive. At Our
Lady's, we place great importance on
wellbeing, learning, and routines—making sure
children complete their homework, read
every day, and attend school punctually all
help them feel confident and successful.

My door is always open if you have any
questions, concerns, or ideas to share.
Working together, we can ensure that every
child feels supported, happy, and ready to
learn.

Thank you for being part of our school
community.

Aga Parzybylska



A huge thank you to all our families for sending packed lunches today.

Due to the severe weather conditions and local flooding, the company that delivers our school dinners was unable to reach us. We know that this last-minute change may have been difficult for some families, and we truly appreciate your understanding and flexibility.

Many parents may not be aware that our school dinners are not cooked on site - they are prepared offsite and delivered to us each day. Unfortunately, today's weather conditions made delivery impossible.

Thank you for your continued support - it means a great deal to us.



Our Remembrance Service – Tuesday 11th November

On Tuesday 11th November, we gathered as a school family for a beautiful and moving Remembrance Service in the hall. It was a truly special moment of reflection, where we came together to honour and remember all those who have gone before us.

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to join us—your presence made the occasion even more meaningful.

We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to Mr Scullin, who prepared the hall so thoughtfully and beautifully for the service. The calm, reverent atmosphere he created helped make the moment one of peace, prayer, and unity.

It was a special time for our children and our whole community, reminding us of the importance of remembrance, gratitude, and hope.



Cake Sales – Thank You for Your Support!

Our PTA Cake Sales are already in full swing, and we want to say a huge thank you to everyone who has baked, bought, and helped so far! These events have been a big success, and every penny raised goes directly towards resources and special experiences for our children.

Each week, a different class takes the lead in providing and selling cakes. Please check the school calendar to see when it's your class's turn.

We're asking parents in the class of the week to:



- Bring in cakes on the morning of their sale – home-made or shop-bought, every cake counts!
- Help sell cakes after school from 3.00pm onwards (please use the Boycott Road entrance).

And don't forget to send your child with a little money to buy a treat at the end of the day – it's a fun way for everyone to take part and support our school.

Thank you for your continued generosity and enthusiasm – together we're making a real difference for our children!



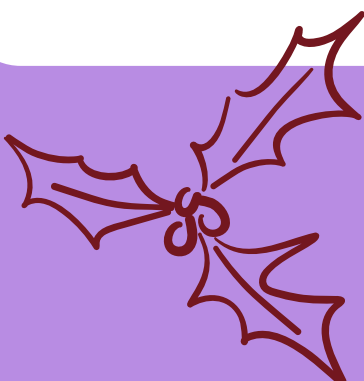
Parish Christmas Fate Everyone Welcome!



We are delighted to invite all our families to the annual Parish Christmas Fate at Our Lady's Church Hall on Saturday 15th November, from 11.00am–3.00pm.

There will be wonderful stalls, Christmas gifts, local crafts, delicious treats, games, raffles, and lots of festive cheer for the whole family to enjoy. It's a fantastic way to begin the Christmas season and support our parish community.

Everyone is warmly welcome—bring your family, friends, and neighbours! Come along from 11am and join in the fun.



School Disco

Thursday 28th November!



We are very excited for our upcoming School Disco on Thursday 28th November - please see the poster below for full details.

Entry is £4 per child, payable on ParentPay.

To make the day even more fun, children are invited to come to school wearing their disco outfits.

As part of our preparations for the Christmas Hampers, we kindly ask each child to bring one donation item on the day, such as:

- A bottle of a beverage
- An unwanted gift (new, unopened, unused)
- Cosmetics/toiletries (unopened, unused)
- A new toy
- Chocolate or festive treats



Collection and drop-off arrangements

★ KS1 (Reception, Year 1, Year 2)

- Children do not need to be collected at 3.20pm.
- They may stay straight through for the disco.
- Pick-up is at 4.15pm.

★ KS2 (Years 3-6)

- Children must be collected at 3.20pm after school.
- They should return for the disco at 4.30pm.

- Please use only the Church Gate for both drop-off and pick-up.
- All children must be collected by an adult.
- Please also let us know who will be collecting your child on the day.

Thank you for your support in making this a fun and safe event for everyone!

OUR LADYS SCHOOL

DISCO



**KS1: 3:30
to 4:15pm**

**KS2: 4:30
to 5:15pm**

ENTRY £4

**INCLUDES DRINK
AND HOTDOG**

28TH NOVEMBER



Keeping Our Children Safe on the Roads

As some of our older pupils begin walking or cycling home on their own, we kindly ask parents and carers to talk with them about staying safe on the roads. Please remind them to always cross at a zebra crossing or traffic lights, to look carefully in both directions, and never to run across the road.



Children who cycle or scoot should always wear a helmet and take extra care near busy areas.

A reminder too that once children enter the school grounds, there should be no riding of bikes or scooters—they must be walked for everyone's safety.

We also ask all families to park safely and considerately around the school and church area, especially during busy drop-off and pick-up times.

Thank you for working with us to help keep all our children safe and confident on their journeys.



This week Attendance

Whole School - 92%

Reception	85%
★ Year 1	98%
Year 2	89%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	91%
Year 6	95%

Attendance & Punctuality



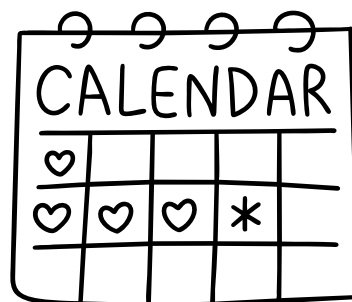
At Our Lady's, we place great importance on good attendance and punctuality. Every school day matters, and arriving on time helps children begin their learning calmly and confidently alongside their classmates. Regular attendance ensures that pupils make the most of every opportunity to learn, grow, and succeed.

Our whole-school attendance target is 95%, and we truly appreciate your support in helping us reach it.

We know this is the season of colds and flu, and children may sometimes feel under the weather. However, if they are well enough, we kindly encourage you to send them into school so they can continue their learning and keep their routines strong.

By valuing every school day and arriving punctually, we can work together to give our children the very best start in life.

Upcoming Events



November

14th - Cake Sale Y4 at 3.20pm

21st - Cake Sale Y5 at 3.20pm

28th - Healthy lifestyles talk with School Nurse Y1 & Y2

28th - Whole school DISCO

DISCO

December

1st - Trip to Belmont Abbey Y6

2nd - Trip to Dinmore Hill Christmas Tree Farm YR

5th - YR, Y1 and Y2 visit MESC - Santa

5th - Cake Sale Y6 at 3.20pm

8th - Whole School Mass at 9.30am

10th - Nursery Carol singing at 9.30 *Parents invited*

10th - Nativity EYFS and Y1 *Parents invited*

11th - School Christmas Lunch Day

11th - Advent Assembly Y2 at 9.00am *Parents invited*

12th - Advent Assembly Y3 at 9.00am *Parents invited*

12th - Cake Sale EYFS at 3.20pm

15th - Advent Assembly Y4 at 9.00 *Parents invited*

16th - 4Front Theatre - *Herald of Herod*

16th - Advent Assembly Y5 at 9am *Parents invited*

17th - Advent Assembly Y6 at 9am *Parents invited*

17th - Key Stage 2 Evening Carol Service at 6pm *Parents invited*

19th - **LAST DAY**



Celebration



Well done to all our children who received a Gold Award and our Virtue Award this week.

We are so proud of you—keep up the wonderful effort!



Congratulations!

Class	Fantastic Fortnight award	Virtue award	Golden awards	
Year R	Olivia A	Tymon	Norah	
Year 1	Jidenna	Daria	Stanley	Freyja
Year 2	Ale G	Olivia	Alessia	Adam
Year 3	Tymon	Liz	Leo	Jesse
Year 4	<u>Edzen</u>	Layla-Rose	Finley	
Year 5	Mila	Jackson	Alex	Aadya
Year 6	Elias	Maya	Olek	Kaiden