Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

It has been another wonderful week in school, and I would like to begin by thanking Year 4 for their Celebration of the Word assembly on St Francis. The children shared their learning with confidence and reverence, helping us all to reflect on the life and example of this special saint. Thank you to Mrs Grimshaw for supporting the children with their preparations. As we continue to celebrate this Jubilee Year of St Francis, we are reminded of his kindness, care for others and for God's creation. We can all try to follow his example by showing compassion and looking after our environment.

Another thank you also goes to Year 2 for their fantastic assembly this morning on the Parable of the Good Samaritan. The children beautifully illustrated the important message of helping others, regardless of who they are, and demonstrated how small acts of kindness can make a big difference. Thank you Ms Ashton and Mrs Bresciani in helping the children prepare for today.

We have also celebrated some outstanding sporting success this week. Congratulations to our Year 6 Quad Kids team, who achieved an incredible second place in the West London Finals. This is a tremendous accomplishment, and we thank Mr Bovington in helping them succeed.

With the weather forecast set to become even warmer over the coming days, please ensure that your child comes to school prepared for the sunshine. Children must bring a named water bottle each day, apply sun cream before school and wear either their school hat or a plain bottle green hat to help protect them from the sun. Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep all children safe and comfortable during the warmer weather.

Have a wonderful weekend, **Mrs Kelliher**

Stars of the Week
15th June 2026

Rec: Nelia & Ethan
Yr1: Ryan & Mabel
Yr2: Jayden & Amelia
Yr3: David & Ray
Yr4: Giorgio & Nathaniel
Yr5: Helena & Iza
Yr6: Lily & Reina



Summer Fair
Saturday 11th July



We are a PEANUT & NUT FREE SCHOOL

Due to severe allergies of some pupils and staff, please ensure no nut or peanut products are brought into school.

Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's designated safeguarding officer Mrs Kelliher or in her absence the deputy safeguarding officer Mrs Sheehan. In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with Mrs Kelliher to seek further advice.

Congratulations to the children in St. John's who received the most house points over the last week.

The children in St. John's will receive 15 minutes of extra play in Key stage 1.

The children in in Key stage 2 will receive a Homework pass for this weeks' homework.

House point winners for this week

HOUSES	Score
St Patrick's	124
St Andrew's	132
St George's	110
St David's	70
St John's	149
Overall Winner	St John's

Punctuality & Attendance

POSITION	YEAR	%	Lates
1st	4	97.9	0
2nd	1	97.3	0
3rd	3	96.8	1
4th	6	95.5	1
5th	2	95	0
6h	Rec	93.1	5
6th	Nur	91.8	3
7th	5	90.3	0

Congratulations to Year 4 on their 97.9% attendance!







Important Dates: June

Monday 22nd June
- Nursery & Reception Sports day

Tuesday 23rd June
9:00-3:00 Meet the teacher meeting for New to Reception parents

Wednesday 24th June
8:50 Y1 assembly

Monday 29th June
- Y1-Y6 Sports day

Tuesday 30th June
9:00-10:00 Transition morning for all children N-Y5

Wednesday 1st July
6:00pm Talent Show

Tuesday 7th July
2:00-3:00 Y1-6 Open afternoon

Wednesday 9th July
7:00 Y6 production
- Reception & Y4 trip to Boston Manor Park
- Reports home

Friday 10th July **French day**
8:50 Nursery graduation

Tuesday 14th July
1:00 Y6 Mass, Presentation & picnic

Wednesday 15th July
9:00 Achievement assembly

Friday 17th July
1:00 End of term



Year 6 Visit to Hounslow Junior Citizen

On Tuesday this week, our Year 6 pupils attended the Hounslow Junior Citizen event at Isleworth and Syon School. Throughout the day, they took part in a range of engaging and informative workshops led by professionals from the Police, Fire Brigade and other local services.

The sessions focused on important aspects of personal safety and safeguarding, including fire safety, online awareness, and the message of being a "helper, not a hero" in emergency situations. Pupils also enjoyed taking part in the Sketchology workshop, where their discussions on community were brought to life in a sketch.

The event provided valuable opportunities for pupils to learn practical life skills, develop their understanding of keeping themselves and others safe and prepare for the greater independence that comes with moving on to secondary school.







Y2 Brentford Library

On Monday year 2 visited Brentford library. We are very lucky that we have a fantastic library so close to school, when we arrived, we were shown to a lovely area for children and gathered on the bean bags. There was a great activity being detectives searching for specific books which they then presented to the class.

They were told about a very exciting competition of designing their own book mark which if they win will be published across the borough, good luck everyone! The children had a great time and were exemplary children representing our school.

Once again thank you to the parents who made the trip possible.





West London Quad Kids Finals

On Wednesday 17th June we competed in the quad kids west London finals. After winning our borough championship we would now be taking on the top 2 from at least 5 different boroughs. The standard was incredibly high – but so is ours! As we arrived, we could see other schools practicing their throws, doing some stretches and we could immediately see how tough the day was going to be.

We were partnered with the Harrow champions West Lodge – which is a school that Mr. B both went to and taught at. Our kids were making friends with them in between jumps and throws and had a great day out.

Performance wise, this is the best I've ever seen us at an athletics competition, surpassing some amazing teams that we've had over the years. We started with Vortex throws and despite throwing into the wind, almost our entire team set new personal best. 2 of the boys threw over 40 meters! Straight away we proved we meant business, definitely ahead of west lodge on the throws. Long distance was next and even though our finishes weren't too high our times were all really good and under 2 minutes 30 seconds for a 600-meter run.

We then moved on to long jump and again this is one of our strengths! 8 of our team cleared 2 meters, Emily scored 2.19 which was the highest girls jump on the day. After that, kids were being kids as they took turns at running up and diving into the sand pit! But given how hard they had worked so far, they had earned that. We finished with the 75-meter sprint. As we only competed on the day with west lodge, all the races were 1 vs 1. We won half but set great times in all of them.

We weren't able to wait for the closing ceremony as we wouldn't have made it back to school on time. But luckily, I got a call on the bus to tell us our scores. We came 2nd!!! Such an incredible achievement, especially for a 1 form entry school, going up against the best schools from west London, most of which were 3 for entry. This is the highest position we have finished in for at least the last 10 years. Were so proud of our team, they represented us fantastically.

Most of our boys finished in the top 20 for west London, Obafemi was 8th! 3 of our girls finished in the top 10! Maja 10th, Shalom 8th and Emily 3rd!

Well done again to our amazing team and a big thanks you to James's and Nathan's mum for helping with travel and support.





Nursery & Reception Sports Day

Nursery & Reception Sports day will be in the school playground on

Monday 22nd June at 9:00am

We look forward to welcoming you all to cheer your children on.

Please bring the children into school in a pair of shorts, t-shirt and trainers.

They can wear this for the whole day.

OLSJ Sports Day



We are really excited to announce that we will be holding this years' Sports Day on

Monday 30th June

@

Boston Manor Playing Fields
Boston Gardens
TW8 9LR.

The programme for the day will be as follows **(approximate timings)**:

8:45 Walk juniors to the playing fields
9:15-11:15 Junior Sports Day
10:30 Walk Infants to the playing fields
11:15-12:15 Infants Sports Day
12:30 Picnic
1:00 Walk the children back to school

Just a few house-keeping rules to help the day run smoothly and to keep the children safe:

- Families are all welcome to come and support their children and join us for the whole school picnic afterwards **(please bring rugs for your own comfort)**
- **Children will need to come to school in their PE kit. They do not require any school bags, just their packed lunch/hat/sunscreen/water.**
- All children will remain with their class during sports day. During the picnic, you are welcome to sit with your child.
- If you are able to help walk the children to the venue next Monday, either at **8:45** or **10:30** please can you let your class teacher or Mrs Sheehan know
- Please keep an eye on the weather. Sunscreen/hats need to be applied/worn if it's a hot day
- Please also provide your child with an extra water bottle
- We ask that parents do not enter the sports area where the children will be taking part in their activities.
- All water bottles, hats and sunscreen need to be given to the children when you drop them at school.



OLSJ has Talent

The children in Years 3-6 have been preparing for the OLSJ Talent Show.

The children have been told to tell their class teacher, by today, if they wish to audition for the Talent Show next week .

The top 3 acts from each class will take part in the finals on **Wednesday 1st July.**

Even if your child is not in the finals, please come and support the children. All money raised will go towards our whole school pantomime trip.

We look forward to seeing you there. **Tickets are on sale now!**

SAVE THE DATE!

🎤 OLSJ HAS TALENT 🎭

⭐ The Auditions are over the final is here.

Wednesday 1st July @6:00 PM



⭐ Our finalists will be performing for one night only

⭐ Bring your family and friends to watch this unforgettable night of talent

👫 Adults: £3

👧 Children: £2

(Payable on parentmail)



Don't miss this exciting event @ OLSJ

Stay & Read

A huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents that were able to stay for 'Stay & Read' this week.
The children said they
'loved sharing this time with you'

Stay & Read will continue each **Tuesday** from **8:30-8:45am**.
If you are able to come in and read with your child you would be most welcome.



Library Club

Library club continued this week.
Lots of children made the most of this and spent their allocated slot reading in the library with their friends.

A huge thank you to the teachers for running this extra curricular club. We look forward to seeing many more children attending next week.
Please see the attached poster for timings.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have noticed that a significant number of library books have not been returned to school, including many new titles.

Our school library is an important resource for all pupils, and when books are not returned it reduces the number available for other children to read and enjoy.

Please could you take a few moments to check at home for any school library books and ensure they are returned to school as soon as possible. If you do find a book, your child can simply bring it back to their class teacher.

We would really appreciate your support in helping us keep the library well stocked so that all children can continue to develop a love of reading.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Mrs McMahon

To all our parents, grandparents and carers.

We really need your help.

With the increasing demands on the curriculum, we are finding it more and more difficult to provide 1-1 reading for our children.

Although this is not an expectation of the curriculum, it is something that we have always valued in the hope that it provides children with a love of reading from an early age.

So, if you can spare an hour or two every week (or more) to hear children read, please let me know, we would be eternally grateful.

This support is invaluable to both the teachers and the children.

Thank you in advance

Mrs Sheehan