Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Thank you to all those parents who came to the curriculum meetings this week. All information will be uploaded to Google classroom. Our Reception and Nursery class meetings take place later this term.

Congratulations to Year 3 on a wonderful Celebration service – the first of the year. They reflected on the life of Pope John XXIII through readings and song to a huge audience of all their parents and grandparents. Their singing was amazing and we look forward to when they are old enough to join the school choir! Year 6 celebrated their first class mass in St. John's church, where they read and sang beautifully. Thanks to Fr. Gerard, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. McMahon and Mrs. Poteratchi for their help in preparing and leading the children in these celebrations.

Scooters and bikes

A polite reminder that all pupils and adults are asked to walk their bikes and scooters along the path to enter and exit the school. No riding across the playgrounds please. Thank you for your co-operation in helping to keep everyone safe.

Mrs. Cunningham

Important Dates

Friday 29th September
- **Languages Day**

Monday 2nd October
- **Black History month**

Wednesday 4th October
8:50 Reception Class meeting/reading Meeting

Friday 6th October
- **Family Fast day**

Monday 9th October
6:00 GB meeting

Thursday 12th October
- **9:00 Harvest mass—*parents welcome***

Monday 16th October
3:30-6:30 Parents evening

Wednesday 18th October
3:30-6:30 Parents evening

Thursday 19th October
- **8:50** Yr5 Class mass
- **2:45** Yr2 Celebration service

Friday 20th October
3:00 End of half term

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 Cunningham 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 their line manager, Mrs Cunningham to seek further advice.

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.



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

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

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

House point winners for this week

HOUSES	Score
St Patrick	191
St Andrew	138
St George	218
St David	209
St John	162
Overall Winner	St George's

Punctuality & Attendance

Position	Year	%	Late
1st	3	100	0
1st	6	100	4
1st	2	100	4
2nd	5	99.6	0
3rd	1	98.5	0
4th	4	97.9	1
5th	Nur	96.7	0
6th	Rec	87.2	0

House points

Children are allocated a House when they begin in Reception.

Our Houses are St David, St George, St Andrew, St John and St Patrick.
Please ask your child which House they are in.

Children may receive house points for lots of different reasons.

Each week at our celebration assembly we announce the House with the most house points.

The House that wins will receive 15minutes of Golden time in Key Stage 1 or a Homework pass in Key Stage 2 **(usually given on the Friday of that week.)**

If children receive a homework pass they are only required to do their reading, spellings and Mathletics homework.

Each half term the House with the most house points for that half term will be allowed to come into school in their own clothes (**they need to wear an item of clothing showing the colour of their house)**

The winning House will be announced each week in the newsletter.









Congratulations to Year's 3, 6 & 2 on their 100 % attendance!

They will receive 10 minutes extra play next week!

Year 6 Roles & Responsibilities

Head Boy: Jayden **Head Girl:** Sasha

Deputy Head boy: Tony **Deputy Head Girl:** Olivia

Prefects: Babatunde, Annalise, Vanessa, Ethan, Kylah, Pola, Caleb, Chryselle, Dominik

House Captains: Dion, Kuba, Bernice, Maya, Maame, Alice, Kacper, Cadwick

Sports Captains: Maia, Abigail, Victoria, Kaydene, Ellis, Milo, Olivier, Max, Laurie, Zuzanna

Head Boy & Girl
Deputy Head Boy & Girl



Sports Captains



Prefects



House Captains



School Council

If you are in years 3,4,5 or 6 and would like to become a School Councillor, please see the information below.

All children will be given an application form, if they wish to apply (this will also be uploaded to Google classroom.)

We invite all children, in these classes, to apply.

Once you have completed your application, prepare your speech, as you will present this speech to your class next Wednesday

Wishing all candidates the best of luck. Mrs. Sheehan

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2023/2024

To apply to be a class councilor please follow the steps below:

Read the job description and decide if you should apply

(This will be given to you and available on Google Classroom)

Complete the application form.

(The application form will be given to you and is also available on Google Classroom)

Please submit your application form to Mrs. Sheehan or place in the school council application box

(This can be found in the school entrance – by the glass window)

All applicants will then make a presentation to their own class, who will then vote on which two class members they would like to represent their class.

Key Dates:



Deadline for all applications is
Tuesday 26th September

Presentations to class will be held on
Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th September

School councillors' will be announced on:
Monday 2nd October

The first school council meeting
Tuesday 3rd October @1:00pm



Good Luck **Mrs. Sheehan**

European Day of Languages at OLSJ!

At OLSJ, we will be celebrating European Languages Day on

Friday 29th September

This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to explore some of the diverse languages in Europe.

Each class will be look at a specific country and they will take part in a variety of activities to do with that country, its language and its culture.

Children will be invited to come into school dressed in the colours of the country that they will be looking at.

The children will also be invited to join us for a French breakfast.
We ask for a contribution of £2 to be made on Parentmail.
All funds will go towards Music, French & Art resources across the school.

The counties each year group are looking at are as follows:

Nursery Reception	**Italy**	
Year 1	**Spain**	
Year 2	**Greece**	
Year 3	**Switzerland**	
Year 4	**Ireland**	
Year 5	**Poland**	
Year 6	**Netherlands**	