



# Our Lady and St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

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*Aspire, Achieve, Learn and Love as one family in Christ*

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I cannot believe we have reached another half term so quickly, these weeks are whizzing by. This week many of our staff were at St Peter's Church on Tuesday evening to support some of Year 6 children who received the sacrament of Confirmation. It was a fabulous evening and the children were such a credit to us, their families and themselves. We were incredibly proud. I hope everyone has a wonderful half term break and manages some rest, relaxation and most of all fun!

Have a lovely half term. *Mrs Suzie Wilson* - Head Teacher

## Dates for the Diary

**18.2.19 – 22.2.19 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM**

25.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm Netball

25.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm Sewing Club

25.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm – Y6 booster classes

26.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm Football

26.2.19 – 3.30- 4.30pm Craft Club

27.2.19 - 5pm – 7pm Parents' Evening

28.2.19 – 3.30pm – 5.30pm Parents' evening

28.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm Dodgeball

28.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm Lego Club

28.2.19 – 3.30-4.30pm – Y6 booster classes

1.2.19 – 9.15am Celebration Assembly

6.3.19 – 10am KS2 to Ash Wednesday Mass at Our Lady's Church, Lillington

7.3.19 – World Book Day

11.3.19 – Science Week

15.3.19 – Non-Uniform day for Science Week

## We Say Goodbye

This afternoon we said farewell to Mrs Henderson who has been a midday supervisor for our school for 42 years which is an amazing achievement. It was very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Henderson after such a long time but we wish her well during her retirement. Good luck!

## Big Battery Hunt

We are taking part in the Big Battery Hunt at school which is a national battery recycling programme. Children have come home with a box which they can fill with old batteries and once the box is full children can bring this back into school. By entering the Big Battery Hunt and recycling as many batteries as we can our school could win some amazing prizes including IPADs, school equipment vouchers and class trips. We have until May to collect our batteries and try to win ourselves some amazing prizes.

## Catholic Life

Over the last few weeks we have had some truly beautiful services, liturgies and prayers happening both in and out of school. We had a stunning Candlemas service led by our children alongside Mr Kalnins, a lovely mass last week led by Year 4 children and our Confirmation on Tuesday evening at St Peter's which was a fantastic evening. It was wonderful to see so many young people coming together to stand up and commit to their faith. Well done children we are incredibly proud of you!



## World Book Day

Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup> is World Book Day. All children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character and we will be taking part in lots of book related activities during the day. Each child will also receive a £1 book token, which can be redeemed at various book sellers such as Waterstones, WH Smith. Alternatively, they can be used for part payment for a book of their choice. This year there are ten £1 books available from a range of authors including Peter Bently, Lauren Child, Sibeal Pounder and Alex T Smith.



## PTA DISCO

**WOW - What a night!**

We had some fabulous dancers at the disco on Friday the kids, PTA and staff all enjoyed a good boogie!

Thank you to all parents and staff that supported this event. A special thank you to Miss Hockley, Miss O'Connor, Mrs Friend, Mrs Jenkins and Mrs McClean for your dancing and help on the night.

Thank you to Liz from Fit2Dance who came along for the KS2 Disco and shared some moves with us.

Finally, a massive shout out to our resident DJ's Mr Phipps and Mrs Jenkins you were amazing, and we really couldn't do this without you!

All profits raised from this Disco will be added to the iPad fund - more exciting details to follow on this very soon!

## ARE YOU ON BOARD YET?



Do you fancy your chances of winning up to £25 a month? If so, what are you waiting for? The Bus lotto is a fun way of raising money for school which is solely used on school trips, this helps reduce the overall cost to parents and has the extra bonus of your number being entered every month into the prize draw. Win Win!

The cost is £12 for the year which works out at just £1 a month! The first draw will take place on the 28th February 2019 so, make sure you have your seat before then.

To get your seat you can contact your PTA via:  
Our Facebook Page OLSTPTA  
Email - [ptaolst@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ptaolst@yahoo.co.uk)  
Via your class reps or any other PTA member or  
Via a note & payment through the school office

## Internet Safety

Mr Kalnins delivered a wonderful and informative assembly to KS2 children this week on how they can stay safe when using the Internet. The Internet and Social Media are a fantastic resource but being safe online is so important so take this opportunity to talk to your child, family and friends about the safe, responsible and positive use of technology. Here at OLST, your child's E-safety is extremely important and so we are always looking at ways to increase the children's awareness and responsible use of the internet. Please visit the following website for Safer Internet Day 2019's Top Tips for Parents and Carers:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019>

## Year 2 Indian Restaurant Sharing Afternoon

This week our Year 2 team opened the doors to their very own Indian restaurant and invited their families in to school to hear about some of the wonderful work they have been doing during their Incredible India topic and to also sample some Indian food with them. The children were incredibly excited to share their learning with families and it was a fabulous afternoon. We received the following from a Year 2 parent after the event; 'Thank you so much for a fabulous afternoon...Such hard work went into it from everyone involved and it was an absolute pleasure and honour to attend.'



*Be who you were created to be, and you will set the world on fire.*

- St Catherine of Sienna