



OUR LADY & ST TERESA'S SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER – 20TH SEPTEMBER 2019

Today has been a slightly unusual day here in school as we have had no paper day – you can read more about why later on in the newsletter. Our Year 2 children enjoyed a wonderful bread making session earlier this week with Bread for Life as part of their topic and you can find out what is happening in your child's class over the next term by looking at the curriculum overviews which were shared today. You can also come along to our parent information evenings on October 2nd and 3rd. Your child's teacher will be giving the same presentation on each evening so you only need to attend one. Next Friday in our assembly we will not be sharing Stars of the Week as it will be all about the speeches of our Pupil Parliament candidates ready for their elections. We will be back to our usual celebration assembly the week after. If you have made any changes to the after school collection arrangements for your child this year please ensure you respond to the email from our school office swiftly as otherwise we will be unable to release your child to any external childcare providers.

Have a lovely weekend. *Mrs Wilson* - Head Teacher

Attendance

Regular attendance is absolutely vital to ensure that children can do well and progress at school. Please see the attached information regarding

Dates for the Diary

- 10/09 - 3.30-4.40 – Sewing Club
- 3.30-4.30 – Dodgeball
- 11/09 - 3.30-4.30 – Football
- 3.30-4.30 – Lego
- 13/09 - 3.30-4.30 – Hockey
- 3.30-4.30 – Cookery
- 14/09 - 9.15 - Celebration Assembly

Attendance

Our attendance target is **96%**

This week:	Reception	98%
	Y1	93.5%
	Y2	97.9%
	Y3	93%
	Y4	92.6%
	Y5	90.4%
	Y6	98.3%
	Whole school	94.6%

Whole school since September
94.8%

Autumn Virtue & Value

This half term we are trying to be more grateful & generous.



Letters Home This Week

Class Termly Overviews
Attendance

Where's our School Logo Hiding?

It's back, Where is our school logo? Who will be the lucky pupil this week?

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Maths Challenge

Year 1 and 2- Matthew and Jessica share £20. Matthew has £4 more than Jessica. How much do they each have?

Year 3 and 4- Five watermelons weigh the same as two pineapples. If one watermelon weighs 130g how much does a pineapple weigh?

Year 5 and 6- Peter read 3/7 of his book on Monday. On Tuesday and Wednesday, he read the final 280 pages. How many pages did he read in total?

Challenge: The ratio of lions to antelope in Africa is 2:11. If there are 126 more antelope, what is the total of lions and antelope?

Sacraments

Our children have begun their programmes of preparation in school for both Confirmation and First Holy Communion as these run throughout the core of our RE teaching Y3 and Y6. Some key dates for the year ahead. Please note in red the Confirmation meeting date change –

Confirmation

- Sunday October 6th 10am Mass Our Lady's – Confirmation Commitment Mass.
- **Tuesday February 13th 5.30pm Parent Meeting at School for Confirmation**
- Tuesday March 3rd 7pm Confirmation at St Peters

First Holy Communion

- Thursday November 28th - 5.00pm FHC parents meeting in school
- Sunday January 26th 10am Mass Our Lady's – FHC Commitment Mass.
- Thursday February 13th 5pm in school FHC Meeting for Parents
- Thursday March 19th – 6pm in Our Lady's Church FHC First Reconciliation Service
- Thursday May 21st - 5.00pm FHC parents meeting in school
- Sunday 14th June – First Holy Communion 10am in Our Lady's Church

Aldi Stickers

As a school we are collecting the stickers from Aldi so if you happen to shop in Aldi do please pick some up for us or if you could be persuaded to swap and shop at Aldi a few times in order to gain some stickers for us we would be most grateful! Stickers can be dropped into the office or handed to Mr Hughes. If we gain enough stickers we will receive a free sports kit and could be entered into a draw to win £20,000.

Climate Strike Day

Today is global climate strike day and in assembly we heard all about how important it is to act now to protect our planet for us all and those who come after us. Today in school we are having a no paper day in support of climate strike day and in order to encourage us all to think about reducing our paper usage and other small ways in which we can help protect our planet.

Our Children as Leaders

During the start of this term we have been working with our children to encourage them to be leaders within our school. They have been applying for various roles within school; there have been amazingly written applications, inspiring manifestos, stirring speeches and tense votes. We now have House Captains, Vice Captains, an Eco Team, a Library Team, a Liturgy Team, Lunchtime Helpers and as of next week we will also have our Pupil Parliament. We are very proud of how many children have wanted to take on an active role within our school and work to shape and improve it. Well done children!

The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.

