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Our Lady's Primary School Newsletter January 2026



Welcome Back

Happy New Year and welcome back to Term 3, we hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year. May 2026 bring to all of you success and happiness.

Prayer and Reflection Corner

*Our Prayer for January
Here We Are*

*How can the world
hear the Good News of God's tenderness
if there is no one to open their arms
to those who are hurt?*

*How can the world
look at God in wonder if there is no one
to accomplish marvellous acts
of love, peace and sharing in God's
name?*

*How can the world
hear the Good News of God's
forgiveness,
if there is no one to forget hate
and extend their hand in friendship?*

*Here we are, God,
ready to proclaim your Good News.
Here we are; make us your disciples.*

DATES

Key Dates for Terms 3

- 5th January – Term 3 commences
- 6th January – Epiphany Mass at 9.30am at St Anselm's
- 8th January – Swimming commences for Year 5
- 12th January – Forest school begins for Term 3
- 15th January – Enrichment Clubs begins
- 16th January – PTFA meeting at 3.30pm
- 3rd February – St Blaise Assembly
- 12th February – Term 3 ends at normal times

PE Kits

As the weather is now changing and getting colder, children can wear dark coloured sweatshirts and jogging bottoms as part of their PE kit. Please note that school jumpers should not be worn for PE. PE Kits need to be in school from Monday and taken home on a Friday.



Class Assemblies

During Terms 3 and 4, we will be continuing with class assemblies for parents. These assemblies will usually be on a Friday at 9 am in the school hall. The assemblies normally last between 15-20 minutes. Here are the dates for the assemblies.

- Friday 16th January – Year 4
- Friday 23rd January – Year 6
- Friday 30th January – Year 3
- Friday 6th February – Year 2
- Thursday 12th February – Year 5 (End of Term 3)
- Friday 6th March – Year 1
- Friday 13th March – Reception Class

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Forest School Inspired Learning

'Forest School Inspired Learning' will recommence week beginning Monday 12th January. We are in the midst of winter and the weather will be cold and often wet. Please ensure that children are appropriately dressed and are warm. Pupils still need to come to school in their forest school uniform. During these winter months, all children should either have their PE kit in school all week or bring in extra clothes just in case they have to change into them. Please find below the uniform list and timetable for forest schools.

FOREST SCHOOL UNIFORM

Black/navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt (could be Fleece)	Also during Winter months: 2 pairs of socks Hat, scarf & gloves Vest or long sleeved T-shirt or skins top (or PJ top) Another jumper
Black/navy T-shirt	Thick socks and wellington boots
More layers, the warmer your child will be, they can always take layers off!	

Forest School Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	Y2		Reception		Y5
PM	Y6	Y4	Y1	Y3	



Enrichment Hour

Please note that enrichment hour will recommence on **Thursday 15th January for Term 3.** Please note that these clubs finish at 4.15pm for all year groups.

Upcoming Parent Meetings

As part of our work on sharing how we approach learning at Our Lady's, there are a number of upcoming meetings. Here is a list of the meetings.

Week beginning 12th January – Soundwrite Workshops for parent in Year 1. These workshops will focus on the teaching of phonics. The sessions will be in class and you only need to attend one session. Details to follow.

Week beginning 26th January – Maths Workshop for parents in Reception Class. These workshops will focus on the teaching of maths. The sessions will be in class and you only need to attend one session. Details to follow.

Week beginning 5th May – CIA Workshops for parents in Reception Class. These workshops will focus how your children learn through child-initiated activities. The sessions will be in class and you only need to attend one session.

