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Our Lady's Primary School Newsletter December 2025



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

On behalf of all staff at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. I hope that you all have a happy and Holy Christmas and that 2026 may bring great joy and happiness to all.



Prayer and Reflection Corner

As we rejoice this Christmas Season let us remember that it is the birth of Jesus we are celebrating. Let us pray.

May this Christmas day be full of peace within your hearts.

May you be reminded of new birth, and of redeeming love.

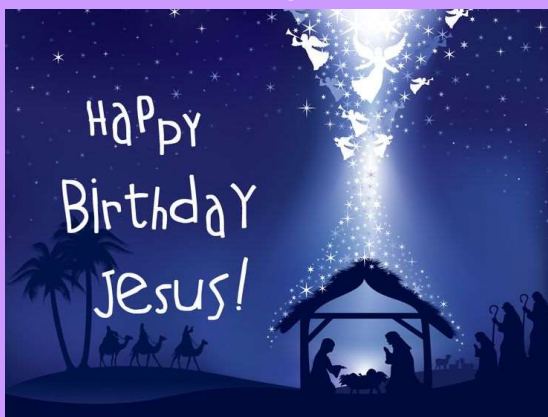
May you dwell within each moment and saviour all you have.

May you find hope and power to pray.

May your heart be ever thankful and your faith rise up high in praise.

May you know you are loved and treasured on this very special day.

Amen



Advent Mass

Please note that the **Advent Mass** will be at St Anselm's Church **on Friday 19th December at 10am**. Year 5 will be leading the Mass and all are welcome.

Dates

Please note that Term 2 finishes on **Friday 19th December at 1.20pm** for Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 and **1.30pm** for Years 3, 4, 5, and 6. Please note that pupils return to school on **Monday 5th January**.

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.



Enrichment Hour

Please note that enrichment hour will recommence on **Thursday 15th January**.

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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. We are very excited to be offering these celebrations again. 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

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	



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.

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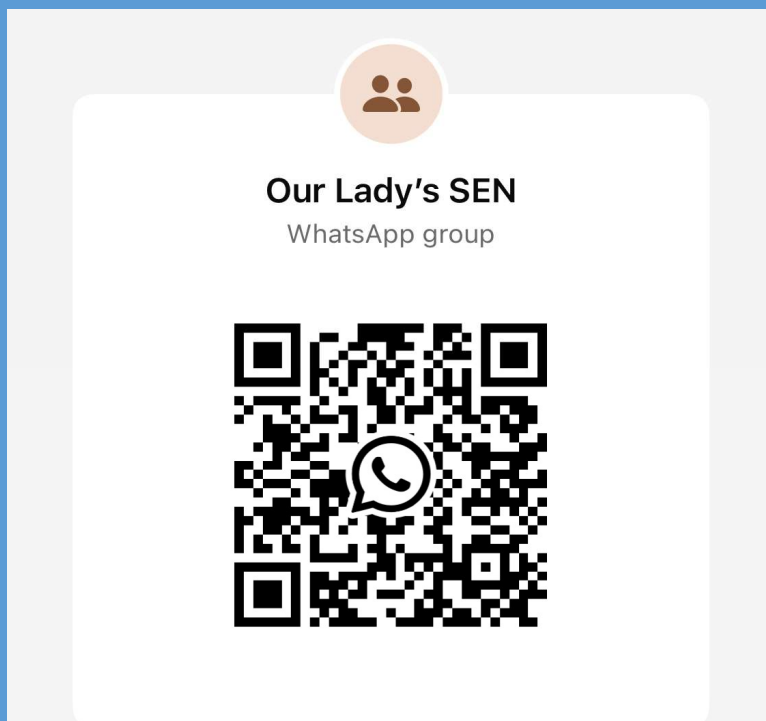
Key Dates for Terms 2 & 3

- 16th December** – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party
- 17th December** – Whole school Christmas Lunch – Children can wear Christmas Jumpers if they wish to
- 17th December** – Reception Class, Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party
- 18th December** – Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party
- 19th December** – Advent Mass at 10am at St Anselm's Church led by Y5
- 19th December** – Term 2 ends – EYFS/KS1 at 1.20pm and KS2 at 1.30pm
- 5th January** – Term 3 commences
- 6th January** – Epiphany Mass at 9.30am at St Anselm's Church
- 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

SEND Parent Group

A number of parents have recently met to discuss their children's SEND needs and have decided to set up a support group. If you would like to be part of this group, please see the link below and/or QR code to join.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EkOYFf8QrqFFV79UDbDnVw>



Class Newsletter

Please take the time to view our **Term 2 Class Newsletters** which can be found on our website under **Newsletters**. Each class has explained what they have done during this term. Please read and enjoy.