

Our Lady's Primary School Newsletter October 2025



Prayer and Reflection Corner

October is the month of the Holy Rosary and the entire month is dedicated to the Rosary. The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary every day. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life. It is a powerful instrument for conversion. The Rosary is the best method of honouring Mary.

The Rosary begins with the Apostles' Creed, followed by one Our Father, three Hail Marys (traditionally offered for an increase in faith, hope and charity for the praying of the Rosary), a Glory Be, and if desired the Fatima Prayer. Next come five mysteries, each consisting of one Our Father, ten Hail Marys, a Glory Be, and, if desired the Fatima Prayer. Conclude with the Hail Holy Queen. Here are the Prayers.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; on the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hail Holy Queen

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy; hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us of our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls into heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy.

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Harvest Mass

We will be having our **Harvest Mass on Friday 17th October at 10am at St Anselm's Church**, please bring in gifts to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Please continue to bring in goods for our celebration. Year 2 will be leading the Mass.



Forest School Inspired Learning

Please find below the uniform list and timetable for forest schools. **In Term 2, please remember that Forest Schools start on the week commencing Monday 3rd November.**

FOREST SCHOOL UNIFORM	
Black/navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt	Also during Winter months: Hat, Scarf & Gloves
Black/navy T-shirt	Thick socks and wellington boots
Black/navy coat	

Timetable

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

Requests for Formal Letters and References

Increasingly, we are receiving a growing number of requests for formal letters or references. Please note that we will need at least one week's notice to be able to provide these letters. For references, please ask the school to support these requests before other organisations contact us.

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.

Tuesday 28th October – PTFA meeting for all parents. As a school, we would love to re-establish a PTFA to help us with fundraising activities. All are welcome. It will be in the hall after school at 3.25pm.

Friday 31st October – Oracy meeting for all parents. Family homework activities based on Oracy and Sashes. We would like all families to understand our approach to homework. All are welcome. It will be in the hall after school at 3.25pm.

Monday 17th November – Learning Behaviours at KS2. (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) This meeting will highlight the meaning and importance behind our school learning behaviours. It will be in the hall after school at 3.25pm.

Monday 24th November – Characteristics of Effective Learning for Reception Class and KS1 (Years 1 and 2). This meeting will focus on our approach to applying learning across the curriculum. It will be in the hall after school at 3.25pm.

Week beginning 10th November – Soundwrite Workshops for parents in Reception Class. 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 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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Evidence Me

All parents have received an email from 'Evidence Me' inviting them to create an account. We would like all families to have access to 'Evidence Me' as this is a way of finding out what your children are doing at school. These accounts will share achievements, highlight pupil work for Reception Class to Year 3 and eventually the whole school. It will also share the family homework that we are organising based on Oracy and Sashes. If you have not already downloaded this app, another email will be sent out for you to access. Many thanks.

DATES

Key Dates for Term 1 & 2

- 17th October** – Harvest Mass at 10am at St Anselm's Church – led by Y2
- 17th October** – Term 1 ends at normal times
- 27th October** – Term 2 commences & Creativity Week for Yrs 2-6 on Fundamental British Values & Black History Month
- 27th October** – Oracy meeting for parents from 3.25pm in School Hall
- 30th October** – After School Enrichment Clubs begin
- 11th November** – Forest School Starts for Term 2
- 21st November** – Individual photos taken for the whole school
- 27th November** – Prospective Parents' Meeting for Reception Class 2026 at 10am
- 28th November** – St Andrew's House Mass at 10am at St Anselm's Church and House Party from 2pm in School Hall
- 4th December** – Enrichment clubs end for Term 2
- 5th December** – Forest School finishes for the term
- 8th December** – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at St Anselm's Church at 9.30am led by Y4
- 10th December** – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance at 10am, KS2 Christmas Performance at 1.45pm in the School Hall
- 12th December** – Christmas Fayre for the children
- 16th December** – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party
- 17th December** – Whole school Christmas Lunch
- 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

Class Newsletters

Please take time to view the class newsletters, which showcase the work the children have completed this term.

They can be found on our website, under Newsletters.

Open Morning for Prospective Parents

If your child will be five between 1st September 2026 and 31st August 2027, they need to start school in September 2026. The school is holding an open day for prospective parents and pupils on:

Thursday 27th November 2025 at 10am. There will be a welcome address and after that, parents will have the opportunity to tour the school and ask any questions.

Please find a poster with key information regarding this upcoming event.

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PROSPECTIVE PARENTS 2026**

OPEN MORNING

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN



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**THURSDAY 27TH
NOVEMBER, 10AM**