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Our Lady's Primary School Newsletter
October 2026

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.

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.



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.

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 Thursday 15th October at 9.30am at St Anselm's Church,** please bring in gifts to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Please continue to bring in food contributions for our celebration.
Year 2 and Year 5 RE leaders will be leading the Mass.



Packed Lunches

A number of children are coming to school without their packed lunches and this is causing disruption to the school day. Children are distressed and worried that they will not have food to eat. Their class teachers are trying to solve the problem, which is stopping the learning in the classroom, and the office staff lose a significant amount of time trying to chase parents regarding this matter. If your child is regularly having a packed lunch, please send it in with them and not deliver it to the front office. If your child has not been booked on for a school dinner before 8am, you will need to provide a packed lunch for them. Thank you.

Sashes Timetable

A letter has been sent out regarding the timetable for work to be completed on our sashes. Please find the overview below.

Reception Class, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

Term 1 through to Term 5 – Five things to do before the end of Reception Class – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**
Term 2 – Being Responsible – **Deadline Friday 18th December 2026**
Term 3 – Oracy – **Deadline Thursday 11th February 2026**
Term 4 – Reading – **Deadline Thursday 25th March 2027**
Term 5 – Social and Friendship – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**

Year 4

Term 1 through to Term 5 – Five things to do before the end of Year 4 – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**
Term 2 – Being Responsible – **Deadline Friday 18th December 2026**
Term 3 – Oracy – **Deadline Thursday 11th February 2026**
Term 4 – Safety – **Deadline Thursday 25th March 2027**

Year 5

Term 1 through to Term 5 – Five things to do before the end of Year 5 – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**
Term 2 – Being Responsible – **Deadline Friday 18th December 2026**
Term 3 – Oracy – **Deadline Thursday 11th February 2026**
Term 4 – Environmental – **Deadline Thursday 25th March 2027**

Year 6

Term 1 through to Term 5 – Five things to do before the end of Year 6 – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**
Term 2 – Being Responsible – **Deadline Friday 18th December 2026**
Term 3 – Oracy – **Deadline Thursday 11th February 2026**
Term 4 – Being Healthy – **Deadline Thursday 25th March 2027**
Term 5 – Being Cultural – **Deadline Friday 28th May 2027**

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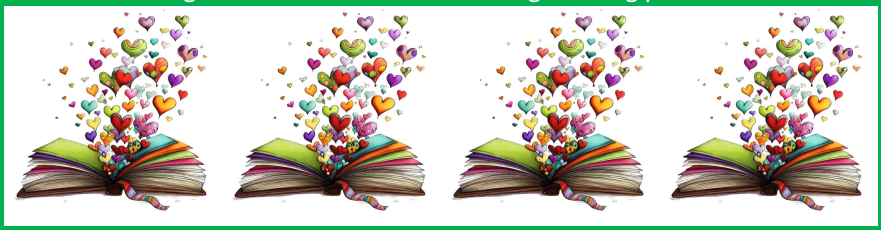
DATES

Key Dates for Term 1 & 2

15th October – Harvest Mass at 9.30am at St Anselm's Church – led by Y2 & Y5 RE Leaders
15th October – Reception Class Reading Meeting for Parents at 3.15pm in the School Hall
16th October – Individual Photographs – Whole School
19th – 22nd October – Parent Consultations
23rd October – Term 1 ends at normal times
2nd November – Term 2 commences
2nd November – Flu Immunisation for all year groups
5th November – After School Enrichment Clubs begin
9th November – (Week Beginning) Forest School Starts for all year groups
9-12th November – Soundswrite Parent Workshops for Reception Class
26th November – Prospective Parent Morning for new Reception Class 2027
30th November – St Andrew's House Mass at 10am at St Anselm's Church and House Party from 2pm in School Hall
3rd December – Enrichment clubs end for Term 2
4th 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
9th December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance at 10am, KS2 Christmas Performance at 1.45pm in the School Hall
11th December – Christmas Fair 3pm – 5pm
15th December – Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party
16th December – Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party
17th December – Reception Class, Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party
18th December – Advent Mass at 10am at St Anselm's Church led by Y5
18th December – Term 2 ends – EYFS/KS1 at 1.20pm and KS2 at 1.30pm

Reception Class Reading Meetings

A meeting for all Reception Class parents regarding strategies to support your children's reading journey has been organised for **Thursday 15th October from 3.15pm in the school hall.** All are welcome. Staff will look after any school-aged children whilst this meeting is taking place.



Parents' Consultations

Please note that Parents' Consultations for Years R-6 will be on **Monday 19th October until Thursday 22nd October. Please note that you will be receiving your timings of appointments in your children's contact books.** If you are not sure of the time, please look there. Thank you.

Reception Class will be held on Thursday 22nd October
Year 1 will be held on Wednesday 21st October
Year 2 will be held on Tuesday 20th October
Year 3 will be held on Thursday 22nd October
Year 4 will be held on Monday 19th October
Year 5 will be held on Monday 19th October
Year 6 will be held on Wednesday 21st October

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Open Morning for Prospective Parents

If your child will be five between 1st September 2027 and 31st August 2028, they need to start school in September 2026. The school is holding an open day for prospective parents and pupils on:

Thursday 26th 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.



OPEN MORNING

OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL PROSPECTIVE PARENTS 2026

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

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THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER, 10AM