



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

8th December 2023

Preparations for the festive season are well under way in school. Please make sure that you check the diary dates so that you don't miss any of the events.

School choir in the community

The school choir visited Oakdene Care Home this week to sing Christmas carols to and with the residents.

Next week they will be visiting Ashdene Care Home to sing for the residents.

On Monday 18th October they will be performing at Tesco at 10am. Please pop along to support them if you can.

Mini Police

This week we appointed our Year 5 and Year 6 Mini Police.

Year 5—Olivia Letty Saara Harry Jason

Year 6—Harley Sykes Ava Tallulah Charlie

The children will be supporting PCSO Jones when he comes into school to deliver sessions around anti-social behaviour, a diverse world, crime prevention, kindness and anti-bullying.

School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope

Love Justice Solidarity

To love, live and learn in the light of Christ

This term's virtue is Hope



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Star of the Week

Reception	Harry	Taking every opportunity to complete extra challenges in class to further his learning.
	Ellie	Continued fantastic reading at home.
Year 1	Lydia	Improving her handwriting. Lydia wrote out her letters very carefully and tried to join them up in a neat, cursive style.
	Harry	A lovely picture in RE of Mary and Elizabeth from the visitation scripture. Harry focused on making them look happy because they were joyful knowing they were going to have babies.
Year 2	Liam	Contributions during discussions and when answering questions in all lessons. Liam has also helped to tidy the classroom without being asked.
	Lilley	Positive attitude towards maths. Lilley chose to complete additional maths questions.
Year 3	Katie	Brilliant vocabulary in English lessons this week. Katie has focused on using a thesaurus to explore and expand her vocabulary.
	Ameilia	Putting 100% effort into every lesson this week. Ameilia has grown in confidence and worked on her independence and this has been clear to see.
Year 4	Felicia	Super effort in PE. Felicia always gives 100% during PE lessons. She often thrives in this lesson and helps other children through modelling and encouragement.
	Ivy	Continual hard work with her times tables. Ivy is working hard to achieve her best scores in her times tables test, improving her ability to fluently answer the questions.
Year 5	Luciano	Showing resilience in maths this week and absolutely smashing fractions.
	Sydney	Being a polite and friendly member of the class.
Year 6	Hugo	Being an excellent class role model, raising his hand to share ideas and listening to peers opinions.
	Emily	Exceptional setting description in English. Well done for 'showing' your reader not telling them.

Congratulations to Michael in
Year 4 for becoming a Bronze
Learner.



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Parish news

The Advent Retreat Day is Saturday 10th December starting at 10a.m. in church. The day will conclude with Adoration and Benediction at 2pm. Please bring something for a shared lunch. All are welcome to attend.

Year 1 toy sale

Year 1 held a toy sale this week. All money raised will be donated to a local children's hospice. Thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Reverse Advent Calendar

As a school we are always looking forward to supporting the local community. This Advent we are asking children to donate one food item (tin or dried) for the New Life Church Community Larder. Donations can be handed to class teachers or teaching assistants.

After school club

There will be no after school club on the final day of the term—Wednesday 20th December.

Our Lady of Good Counsel PTA

Free DISCO

Thursday 14th December

KS1—3.15pm until 4.15pm

KS2—4.30pm until 5.30pm

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Fire Service Santa Sleigh

Look out for the OGC decorated reindeer.

The routes for this year's Fire Service Santa Sleigh are below. The actual maps of the routes will be shown nearer to the actual day of the route.

16th December Ruskington

17th December Clayhill, Rookery Avenue, George Street and Holdingham Grange.

20th December, Drive through Santa at Sleaford Fire Station

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22nd December St Giles Avenue, Milton Way, Russell Crescent, Stephens Way, Southfields/Hawthorn Drive

23rd December The Drove, North Parade, Stokes Drive, Winchester Way, Jubilee.



Diary dates

Tuesday 12th December 2pm EYFS and Key Stage 1 Nativity

Wednesday 13th December 5pm EYFS and Key Stage 1 Nativity

Thursday 14th December PTA disco

Friday 15th December Pantomime

Monday 18th December Christmas parties—details to follow

Tuesday 19th December 2.15pm Celebration of learning assembly

Wednesday 20th December 2pm Key stage 2 Carol Service

Wednesday 20th December Last day of term

A final thought ...

Our peace is found in Jesus Christ.

He gives us peace with God the father

Have a great weekend.