



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

17th May 2024

It has been a busy week at Our Lady of Good Counsel and as always, the children have demonstrated their fantastic attitudes throughout the week. A huge WELL DONE to the Y6 children for their determination, enthusiasm and calmness during the SATs test. They applied themselves well, demonstrating all of the school virtues and values as they tackled long division, complex comprehension and the difference between active and passive voice. Their hard work throughout the year really paid off this week and we are all immensely proud of them. Thank you parents and carers for your support and hard work.

A big THANK YOU to all of the other children for their support and encouragement for the Year 6 children this week.

Celebration of Learning Assembly

Our Celebration of Learning Assembly is taking place on Thursday 23rd May at 2.30pm. All are welcome to join us and you will be informed if your child will be receiving an award.

Retreat Day

Next Friday we will be having our first retreat day. As we are in the month of May our theme of the day is 'Aspire to be like Our Lady'.

The children will spend time in prayer during the morning and also looking at the Our Lady prayer and the Trust prayer. They will begin to understand the stories from the bible that Our Lady plays a pivotal role in and reflect on why she was chosen to be the mother of Jesus.

In the afternoon the children will then link this learning to three Catholic social teaching themes, Solidarity, Human dignity and Participation. They will discover how these themes link to Our Lady and how they can be like her in their daily lives.

School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope

Love Justice Solidarity

To love, live and learn in the light of Christ



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Star of the Week

Rec	Tasnim	Great effort using her phonics knowledge to complete an information booklet about the different jobs bees do.
	Daniela	Showing excellent focus and understanding when learning about the Holy Spirit in our class liturgy.
Year 1	Joshua	Excellent artwork. Joshua used pastels thoughtfully and was careful with his line drawing to create a great fly picture.
	Max	For his quick recognition of all set 2 and 3 sounds and super segmenting and blending of the green words in every phonics lesson.
Year 2	Jack	Super sewing skills. Jack is confident when sewing using a running stitch.
	Matilda	For being a caring and helpful classmate. Matilda has helped other children by sharing her knowledge.
Year 3	Alex	For his participation in all lessons. Alex has shown excellent recall knowledge this week, demonstrating his ability to listen carefully at all times.
	Katie	A fabulous piece of writing in English. Katie has been challenging herself to use the correct 'their' in her work, alongside the use of some super non-finite clauses.
Year 4	Vala	A positive attitude to learning her times tables. Because of this, Vala is now able to rapidly recall all of her times tables.
	Evie	For her continual effort in English lessons. Evie has written some fantastic sentences creating powerful imagery in her narrative.
Year 5	Faith	For trying hard during Maths lessons this week. She achieved a fantastic score on her end of unit assessment showing her knowledge and understanding of position and direction.
	Lily	Writing a fantastic opening to Shakespeare's Macbeth which included all the grammar requirements, some vivid verbs and amazing adjectives.
Year 6	Matthieu	For his determination and motivation in all of his learning this week. He demonstrated excellent work ethics.
	Hadia	For being dedicated to her learning in lesson and extra-curricular activities. Amazing effort in all her learning.



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Diary Dates

Date	Event
May	
Tuesday 21st	Class photographs
Tuesday 21st	Y3 Charity book sale
Thursday 23rd	Celebration of learning assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 23rd	PTA Father's Day Market
Friday 24th	Whole school retreat day
Friday 24th	Last day of term
June	
Monday 3rd	Return to school
Thursday 6th	Festival of friends Lincoln
Friday 7th	Celebration of Learning 8.30am to 9.30am 2.15pm to 3.15pm
Friday 14th	PTA Father's Day Market
Saturday 15th	Summer Fayre
17th to 21st	Sports week
24th to 26th	Year 6 Residential visit
July	
12th July	Reports to parents
15th July	Leavers Mass in school 10am
19th July	Leavers Assembly 9am
19th July	Family picnic—12pm
19th July	Last day of term

Half term

School breaks up next Friday 24th May for half term week. The children return to school on Monday 3rd June.

Reminder

There will be no after school club on Friday 24th May.



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Mental Health and Wellbeing

Please find below a link to a short video for pupils and parents about the 5 ways which you can help your mental health and wellbeing.

<https://www.our-lady.lincs.sch.uk/parents/mental-health-and-wellbeing/#1715668804317-6d5b1a5a-a7c2>

Foundation Governors

Our Governing body is currently looking to recruit foundation governors. This is an opportunity for a practising Catholic to become involved in the life and governance of the school. If this is something that you are interested in, please contact the chair of governors nick.spolton@our-lady.lincs.sch.uk or Mr Tibble paul.tibble@our-lady.lincs.sch.uk

Attached to the newsletter is an invitation to attend a virtual information evening for people interested in becoming or finding out more about becoming a foundation governor.



Our Lady of Good Counsel PTA
www.facebook.com/OurLadyPTA



Movie night

Wednesday 22nd May—Ruby Gillman, Teenage Cracker. Tickets for the PTA movie night are still available at £4. This includes a hot dog, popcorn, ice pole and juice.

Children will need to be collected from the playground at 6pm.

A final thought ...

A dream does not become reality through magic;
it takes sweat, determination and hard work

Have a great weekend.