



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

6th October 2023

Since returning to school in September the children have been making a great effort to greet and have conversations with the adults in school. We are so proud of their confidence and polite manner when speaking to staff and visitors in school. They are a real credit to you and to the school.

Open Days

We will be holding three open day sessions this term for parents who have children starting school next September. Please pass these dates on to any friends and family who have children starting school next year.

Friday 3rd November 9.15am to 10.15am

Thursday 30th November 4.30pm 5.30pm

Friday 1st December 9.30am to 10.30am

500 Words

The BBC are once again running their 500 words writing competition. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to show off their fantastic writing skills. All the details of the competition can be found at <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/about-500-words/zctk7v4>

We would love any children who decide to enter, to also share their writing with school. Once they have submitted their writing we would love them to bring it into school to share. GOOD LUCK

School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope

Love Justice Solidarity

To love, live and learn in the light of Christ

This term's virtue is Self-Control



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Star of the Week

Reception	Mohammad	Working so hard with his letter formation and showing a great improvement.
	Tasnim	Always trying her best and showing a love of learning.
Year 1	Reggie	Excellent attitude towards his learning. Reggie always tries his best and follows our school rules. Keep up the great example.
	Niamh	Designing and creating a beautiful puppet in DT.
Year 2	Richard	Great participation during class discussions about the Great Fire of London.
	Annabel	Being an amazing scientist when collecting natural materials from the school grounds.
Year 3	Arshitha	Perseverance in swimming lessons and building her confidence week by week.
	Gabby	Bringing a positive attitude into the classroom. Without fail, Gabby comes into Year 3 with an infectious smile on her face and shows she is an active learner.
Year 4	Elaina	Fantastic effort with her timetables this week. She has also gone above and beyond by completing extra timetables at home.
	Lettie	Working extremely hard in all lessons this week. Lettie has impressed all the adults in Year 4 with her super effort in ALL lessons.
Year 5	Lilly	Working really hard in all lessons and following the schools tick behaviours. She is a role model to not only her peers but also the whole school.
	Thomas	Trying his best in all lessons even when the work is challenging. Thomas always works hard and never gives up.
Year 6	Ava	Being an active learner this week and seeking extra help when she needed it to support her knowledge. Great ownership of her learning.
	Noah	Upholding the school values and being a support friend and mentor at playtimes with our younger members at school. You have been a great role model.



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World Mental Health Day

We are taking part in #HelloYellow on **10th October** for World Mental Health day.

We can all struggle with how we are feeling, but sometimes things get tough and it can be difficult to cope. For many young people, when this happens, they don't get the help they need when they need it. But together, we can change this.

That's why we will be joining thousands of other schools in wearing yellow to stand out and show up for young people's mental health.

Children can wear yellow to school on 10th October and we ask parents/carers to make a donation to Together we can create a brighter future for children and young people.



Scan the QR code to visit our Just Giving page.



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OUR LADY PTA PRESENTS



ELEMENTAL



Movie night @ school hall 3.15 -5.15 pm WED 18TH OCTOBER
ALL PUPILS WELCOME. PG rated film.

£4 Entry for all pupils includes a snack, drink, Ice lolly and raffle entry.

At the end of the movie one child will win a £10 voucher and a movie night hamper to take home.

PERMISSION SLIPS AND PAYMENT MUST BE RETURNED BY Monday 16th October

This is a PG rated film. Parents are advised to watch the trailer to make sure this film is suitable for their child.



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Book Fair

We have the Scholastic Book Fair in school until Tuesday 10th October. It will be open every day after school for you and your children to browse and buy books.

Midday Supervisors

We currently have three vacancies for Midday Supervisors. If this is a role that you might be interested in, please contact the school office.

Parent Governors

We currently have two vacancies for parent governors. Details were sent out to all parents earlier this week. If you are interested in becoming a parent governor, please complete and return the nomination form by 20th October.

Parking

We are continuing to have some problems at the end of day as children are collected. Could we please ask once again that you **do not park on the zigzag yellow lines on the road** and that you **park with consideration for others and avoid blocking cars in**. A failure to do this results in cars being blocked in and causes a greater hazard for families leaving through the car park or walking to their cars. Wherever possible, please park on the road (not on the zigzag yellow lines) or walk to school to collect your children.



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Parish notices

Saturday 7th October Men's Mass Walk and Pub Lunch--meet Bradgate Park Leicester for 10.30a.m 0115 953 9841. Mass at All Saints Church @ 10.30.

Sunday 29th October --Ecumenical Service @ Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church @ 18.00 --all welcome.

First Holy Communion

Any Catholic children Y3 and above who have not made their first Holy Communion are invited to join other young people from the parish for instruction on Monday at 3.30pm in the Parish Hall, Jermyn Street.

If you would like further information please contact Deacon Tony on 01529 305759 or 07919425771.

CAFOD Family Feast Day

Today is CAFOD family feast day. CAFOD is a charity that we support throughout the year. Please scan the QR code for more information about their work.



Celebration of learning assembly

We will be holding our first Celebration of Learning Day on **Friday 20th October at 2.15pm**. All parents and carers are welcome to attend and we will let you know beforehand if your child will be receiving an award.

Our second Celebration of Learning Day will be on **Tuesday 19th December at 2.15pm**.

Macmillan coffee afternoon

A big thank you to everyone who attended the coffee afternoon and everyone who donated and bought raffle tickets. We raised a fantastic £281.02. Thank you for your support.

A final thought:

You are brilliantly capable to be the most outstanding
version of yourself.

The strength is already inside you.

Have a great weekend.