

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL NEWSLETTER

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We have had a very busy week again in school. Today we celebrated Brighten Up day for Cafod by coming into school dressed in bright clothes. Reception and Year 1 hosted our Harvest assembly and some wonderful donations of food were given for the school and community larder.

Children and parents had a lovely time at the stay and craft session after the assembly.

Parking Reminder!

Please ensure you do not block any driveways or park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school. Doing so is both illegal and dangerous. These markings are in place to keep our children and parents safe as they cross the road.

ROADBLOX WARNING!

We would like to share an important reminder regarding the use of **Roblox**, a popular online gaming platform among children. Recently on the news, it was reported that there was adult content and inappropriate content being displayed which was deemed to be a safeguarding issue. While Roblox offers creative and educational opportunities, it also presents potential risks if not monitored closely. These may include:

- Unrestricted online interactions with strangers through chat features
- Exposure to inappropriate content in user-generated games
- In-game purchases that may lead to unexpected charges
- Potential scams or unsafe links shared by other users

To help keep your child safe online, we encourage you to:

- Review and enable privacy and safety settings in the Roblox app
- Limit or turn off chat functions
- Monitor the games your child plays and the people they interact with
- Have regular conversations about online safety and appropriate behaviour

School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope

Love Justice Solidarity

We love, live and learn in the light of Christ



Brighten Up Day/ Harvest Assembly

The children in Reception and Year 1 delivered our Harvest assembly today and some parents got to stay behind to make scarecrows. They all had a great time but it looks like the parents had an even better



The rest of the school dressed up in bright clothes and donated a food item for the community larder. Thank you to all the children and families for their kind donations.







Parent survey

We are reaching out to you today to invite you to participate in our annual survey aimed at collecting your valuable information and views regarding your child's education and the overall school experience. At Our Lady of Lourdes



Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Trust, we firmly believe that parental engagement is a foundation of our pupils' success. Your perspective, opinions, and feedback are invaluable to us in shaping the educational journey of your child and enhancing the quality of our school and wider Trust community. Please scan the QR code to complete the survey and have your say.

Reading and Blue Peter

Be a Blue Peter Badge holder! Children can apply for a Blue Peter reading badge by reading books. Just click on the link https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/ findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge, fill in your child's details and they write up about a book they have read and enjoyed. It's as simple as that and a great reward for reading. If you earn one, bring it into school so we can celebrate this award with everyone and inspire others to read.





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CHIPOLATA
STUFFING BALL
MASHED POTATO
VEGETABLE MEDLEY

GRAVY

QUORN FILLET,
VEGETARIAN SAUSAGE,
STUFFING BALL,
MASHED POTATO,
VEGETABLE MEDLEY

& GRAVY HOMEMADE
CHRISTMAS SPONGE
WITH BUTTER ICING
AND A CHRISTMAS
TOPPER

FOR ALLERGEN INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 01205 351133





Enjoy free festivities in Sleaford

featuring illuminated woodland creatures, a charming lantern procession, ice skating and curling, majestic winter wonderland birds, roaming elves, and live music filling the Market Place with Christmas cheer.





FOR MORE INFORMATION WWW.NLCM.ORG.UK/WHATS-ON

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Star of the Week

Reception	Erin	For fantastic effort with independent writing in the provision.
	Natalie	For her sounding out and writing during phonics.
Year 1	Anugraha	For a great week sounding out and using 'Fred fingers' for spelling words.
	Charlie- Jorge	For a much more focused week, producing some great math's work independently.
Year 2	Omer	For working thoughtfully in order to complete tricky subtractions correctly.
	Mylah	For super knowledge about eating healthily and how different foods help us to be healthy.
Year 3	Freddy	For being an independent learner in English. He used problem solving skills to spell tricky words and used fantastic adjectives for expanded noun phrases.
	Harry	For demonstrating all our tick behaviours consistently and being a role model to all those around him.
Year 4	Richard	For living out the value of love in all that he does by looking after himself and others.
	Joey	For showing courage in his learning and always being ready for his learning.
Year 5	Ethan	For his 100% effort in improving the size of his handwriting. He has made sure to try his best in every lesson as well as supporting others.
	Antonia	For showing amazing resilience in math's and not giving up despite things being difficult at times. The perseverance has paid off and now she understands comparing fractions more.
Year 6	Felicia	For living out the value of love in all that she does with looking after herself and her peers.
	Priya	For showing courage in her learning and always being ready for her learning.





Future events

Monday 24th November - Non-Uniform Day

Non-unform day. Donations of sweets or chocolate please for the Christmas market stall.





Sleaford Christmas Market – 30th November 2025

The PTA is excited to be hosting a stall once again at this year's festive Christmas Market! This time, we're running a Chocolate & Sweets Tombola - a fun and delicious way to raise funds and spread holiday cheer.

We need your help!

Donations of chocolates and sweets from parents and carers are warmly welcomed and greatly appreciated.

Want to make it even easier?

Scan the QR code to access our Amazon Wishlist and send a treat directly to us!

Christmas Fair- Friday 5th December

This will be held in school from 2pm onwards. Each class will be making something to sell. Refreshments will be available and there maybe a very special visitor. More details to follow.





Parish News

Mass times: (Rosary before weekday Masses from 09.45 a.m.)

Monday to Thursday Daily Mass is at 10.15 a.m.

Friday 11.30 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass 6 p.m. (Holyday vigil Mass 7 p.m.)

Sunday morning 10 a.m. (Holyday morning Mass 10.15 a.m.)

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Peter Harvey, Parish priest.

Women's Breakfast Group has closed for the year. Very many thanks to Jackie for arranging and organising the meetings, and those who supported them.

Little Church: Sunday 16th November @ 10.00 Mass for children aged between 3 & 11. Parents are welcome to stay with their children. It will take place in the parish hall.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction—Sunday 23rd November @ 15.00. The Feast of Christ The King. All welcome!

Sleaford Churches Together Church Service— Evening Prayer of the Church Sunday 30th November—First Sunday of Advent @ Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. All welcome!

Advent Retreat Day Saturday 6th December from 10.00. Further details to follow. All parishioners are welcome!

Days in November:

21st presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

22nd St Cecilia Feast Day

23rd Christ The King, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction @ 15.00--All welcome!

Sunday 30th November Sleaford Churches Together celebration of Evening Prayer @ 18.00-All welcome!

30th First Sunday of Advent.



DIARY DATES

Date	Event			
November				
Monday 24th	PTA Non-uniform day			
Monday 24th	Parliament Week			
Friday 28th	Celebration of Learning Day 8.30am to 9.30am			
	2.30pm to 3.30pm			

December		
Monday 1st	Pantomime in school	
Friday 5th	Christmas Fair	
Thursday 11th	Christmas Dinner	
Friday 12th	Celebration of learning assembly 2.30pm	
Monday 15th	Carol singing in Tesco	
Monday 15th	School disco	
Tuesday 16th	Nativity afternoon 2pm	
Wednesday 17th	Nativity evening 5pm	
Thursday 18th	Party day	
Friday 19th	KS2 Carol Service – 9.30am	
	KS2 Carol Service – 2pm	
Friday 19th	Last Day of Term—no after school club	
January		
Monday 5th	First Teaching Day of New Term	
Tuesday 6th	Mass in church- Feast of the Epiphany at 10:15am	