

5th December 2025



# OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL NEWSLETTER

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Well, what a week we have had in school. Last Friday was Festive Friday and all the children wrote on Christmas cards to someone in the community. They then posted them to all the residents in the care homes. Monday was a very loud afternoon when Little Red Riding Hood came to school and performed with all her friends for the whole school. Year 3 went along to Glenholme care home to sing carols for the residents. Finally, Year 5 had a planetarium in school all day to help them with their Space topic.

## Good luck

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Ross for her hard work and dedication during her time at Our Lady's. She has made a positive impact on our children, staff and families. She has made a meaningful difference in our school community and has always been there when needed. She will be greatly missed. However, you will still see Mrs. Ross around school from time to time as she will be continuing her role with the PTA.

## Polite Reminder

Please could you refrain from using mobile phones on school premises when collecting the children as this can be a potential safeguarding issue.

## Bronze Learners

Nevaeh Esme Harry

## School Virtues

Self-control Courage Hope  
Love Justice Solidarity

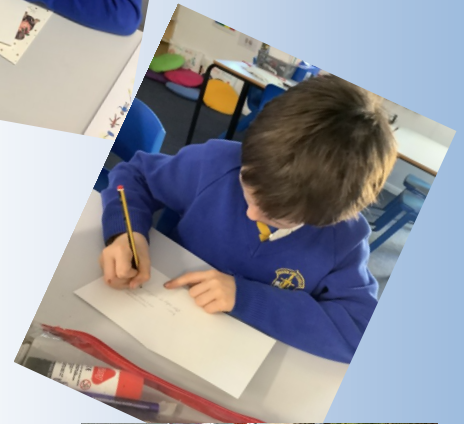
**We love, live and learn in the light of Christ**



# OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Festive Friday

Friday was Festive Friday and all the children got to write on Christmas cards to someone in the community. These cards were then posted out to all the residents in the care homes.







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## Parent survey

We are reaching out to you 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. We firmly

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Primary School, parent survey  
2025.



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.



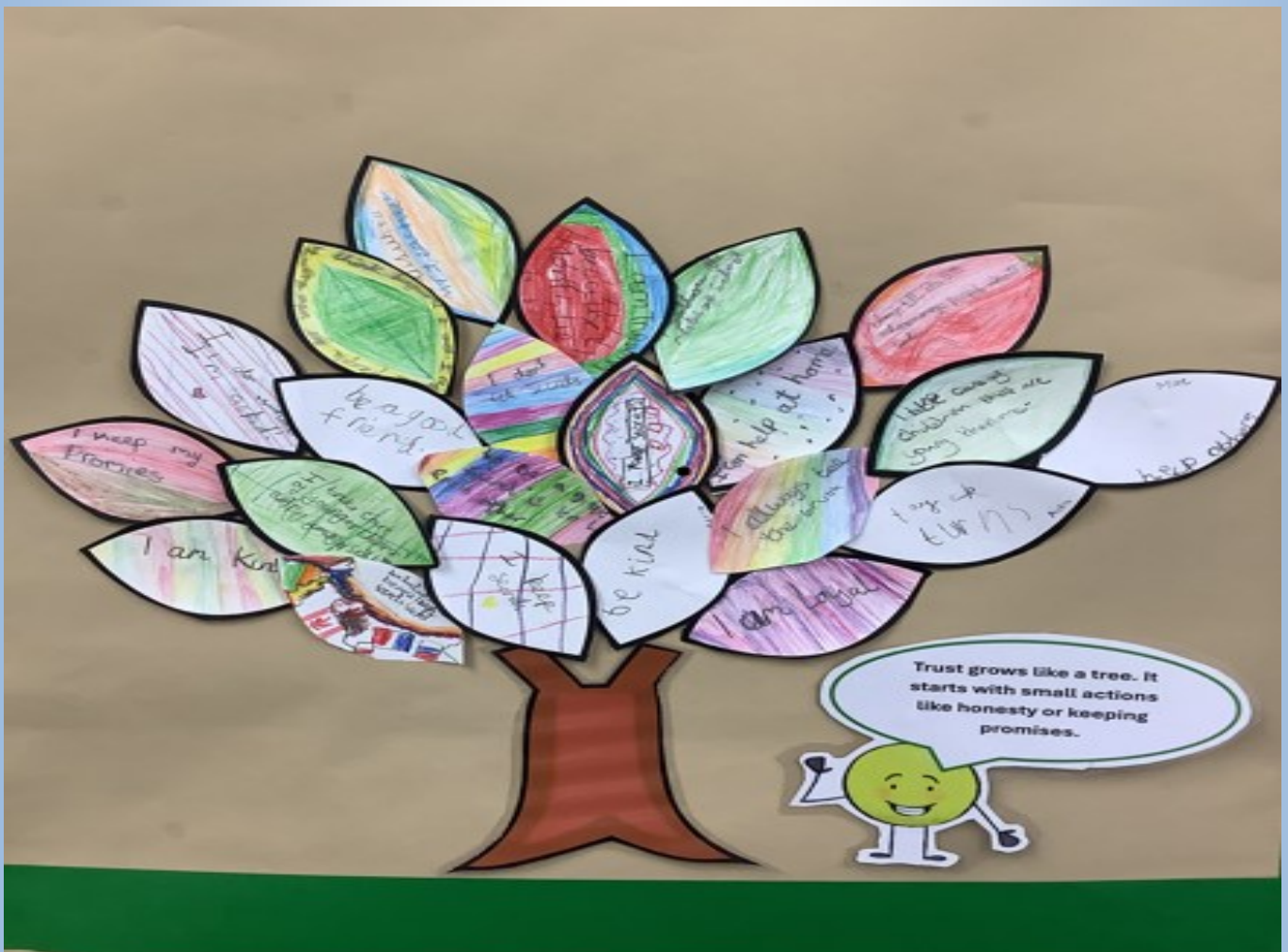
## Thank you

Well well well.. what a hit Sunday turned out to be. With your help and support from your generous donations and some of Jolly 3D Creations profits - the PTA managed to raise just over £400 for the school at the Sleaford Christmas Market!

We would like to say a special thanks to Robert Hodgson for very kindly paying for the generator to help us run the hot drinks/hot dogs stall and Joe Kemp for being our saviour and getting the generator to and from the market for us, without the both of you, that part of the market offer would not have been possible. We also need to thank everyone who donated the tables (Daniel Burks, Rita Spiteri, Oxana Grozdeva) - again without your help with this, we'd have been selling everything on the floor!



Our wellbeing focus this month is to be dependable by finding ways of being trustworthy and reliable. We can be dependable in our actions by being kind, helping others and taking care of ourselves during this busy time of Advent. Mrs Cockerill will be inviting the children to write the things that make them trustworthy on a leaf so she can grow a trust tree in the ELSA room.





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## Thursday 11th December







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## WinterLight 2025

Saturday  
20 December;  
3pm-8pm



### 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.



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**FRI 19TH DEC**

**05:30PM**

**NEW LIFE CHURCH**



FOR MORE INFORMATION [WWW.NLCM.ORG.UK/WHATS-ON](http://WWW.NLCM.ORG.UK/WHATS-ON)

New Life Church Ministries (Sleaford) - a registered company No 08555537 and a registered charity No 1153603

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMP

### Where?

Northgate Sports Hall, Sleaford, NG34 7DD

### When?

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

December 2025

08:30-15:30

### Camp Checklist:

Packed lunch, drink, suitable clothing

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## WINTER CAMP

**HOUGHAM & MARSTON VILLAGE HALL**  
Bridge St, Marston, Grantham, NG32 2JQ

22<sup>nd</sup> Dec, 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec,  
29<sup>th</sup> Dec, 30<sup>th</sup> Dec & 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan

FULLY DAY : £24  
HALF DAY : £20  
BLOCK BOOKING : £140 FOR 5 DAYS

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Visit [www.superstarsport.co.uk](http://www.superstarsport.co.uk)  
Go to "Book Now" & select your camp!

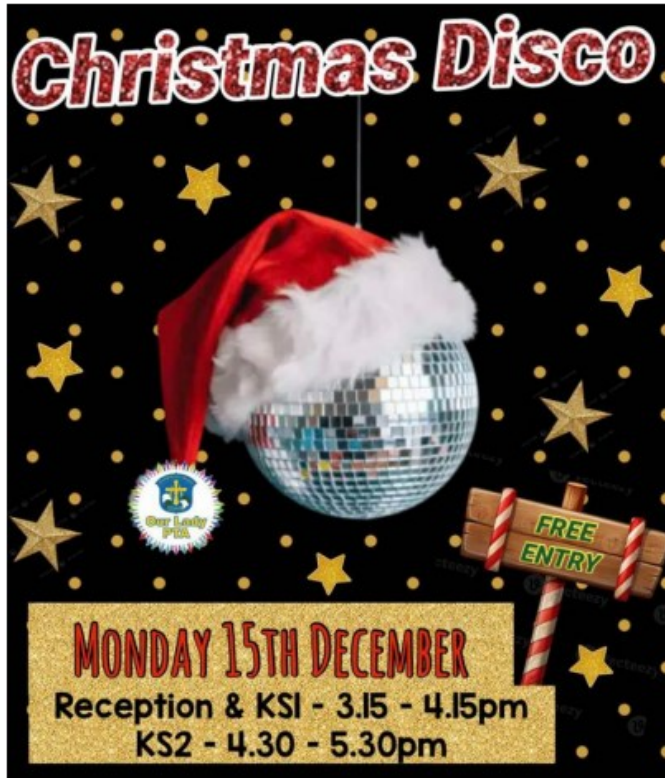
Activities listed in a circular menu: WACKY RACES, SUPERSTAR SPORT GYM, HOLLY TRAINING, CAROL SINGING, HOCKEY, BASKETBALL, JUMPING, AEROBICS, BALANCE, PE, GYM, KARATE, JUDO, TENNIS, TABLE TENNIS, BOWLING, GOLF, RUGBY, SWIMMING, CYCLING, HORSE RIDING, FENCING, SHOOTING, BOXING, JUDO, KARATE, GYM, BASKETBALL, HOCKEY, RUGBY, SWIMMING, CYCLING, HORSE RIDING, FENCING, SHOOTING, BOXING.

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## PTA Christmas Disco

**Date:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025

The disco will be held in two parts.

**Reception and KS1:** 3.15pm until 4.15 pm.

**KS2:** 4.30pm until 5.30pm.

Please can KS1 pupils bring their party clothes to school in a bag, they will be given time to change before the disco.

The tuck shop will be open. Food, drinks and fun items will be sold and will range from 20p to £1 each. Please ensure you send the children in with some pennies to spend!

Permission slips have gone out this week – please return to the school office by **Friday 12th December 2025**.

Entry is **FREE**.

## PTA Membership

Although Mrs Ross is changing career, we're very pleased to say she won't be leaving the PTA and will still dedicate some of her time to leading the team and continuing to help create special memories for your children throughout the school year.

Our little team has grown this year by 3 members and it really does make the world of difference - please reach out if anyone else fancies being a part of the magic - <https://www.facebook.com/ourladyPTA>.





## Star of the Week

Reception	Ella	For being a complete phonics superstar and always helping her friends.
	Reggie	For writing an amazing sentence about 'Room on a Broom'.
Year 1	Logan	For showing good understanding of 3D shapes and knowing their names.
	Anugraha	For working hard to read and spell CVC words using 'Fred fingers'.
Year 2	Paris	For always being ready to learn and putting 100% effort into every lesson. She is a role model to all the other children.
	Ellis	For taking care when checking and correcting his spellings to make sure his work is of a high standard.
Year 3	Rosie	For fantastic singing at the care home. Rosie showed compassion to the residents and sang beautifully putting a smile on their faces.
	Adam J	For contributing to a super pieces of writing in English. Adam could recall the steps to success when writing direct speech.
Year 4	George	For successfully identifying subordinating conjunctions and clauses. He has also been able to write complex sentences that have included layered fronted adverbials, subordinating clauses and exciting adjectives.
	Richard	For successfully applying his knowledge of grouping and timetables to answer reasoning and problem solving questions.
Year 5	Poppy-Jane	For working really hard to improve her skills with fractions in maths.
	Serenity	For working hard in all her lessons to ensure that her spellings are correct. She has been able to identify and correct a lot of mistakes with no assistance.
Year 6	Laura	For showing the values of courage this week. She has been an active learner and her determination has been amazing.
	Logan	For living out the values of love in all that he does especially with his hard work towards achieving his SALT targets.





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## 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 10.15a.m.)

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Peter Harvey, Parish priest.

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

Parishioners are invited to attend the Advent Retreat Day on Saturday, 6th December from 10.00. Please meet in church for Morning Prayer, and then we will transfer to the Parish Hall. Please bring something for a shared lunch. The day will end with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

All are welcome!

## **Feast Days in December.**

7th Second Sunday of Advent

8th Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Lady

14th Third Sunday of Advent

21st Fourth Sunday of Advent

25th Nativity of Our Blessed Lord,

26th St Stephen

27th St John

28th Holy Family

29th St Thomas Becket.

## **Christmas Mass times**

**Christmas Eve: Wednesday 24th December @ 18.00**

**Christmas Day: Thursday 25th December @ 10.00**

**Feast of St Stephen: (Boxing Day)**

**Friday 26th December @ 11.30 The Feast of the Holy Family**

**Saturday 27th December @ 18.00**

**Sunday 28th December @ 10.00. The Epiphany of The Lord:**

**Monday 5th January @ 19.00**

**Tuesday 6th January @ 10.15.**



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## DIARY DATES

Date	Event
<b>December</b>	
Thursday 11th	Christmas Dinner– Christmas Jumper day
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	Charity Bingo– Y2 class charity fundraiser
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
<b>January</b>	
Monday 5th	First Teaching Day of New Term
Tuesday 6th	Mass in church- Feast of the Epiphany at 10:15am
Wednesday 7th	Young voices Choir in Birmingham