



Our Lady's News

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'With God, all things are possible' (Mt 19.26)



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Dear parents/carers,

Lots has been happening in school since the last newsletter, including a very successful parents' evening which was really well-attended! Thank you for your support with this. We always try to arrange parents evening to run as smoothly as possible (whether online or face-to-face) and your feedback on the evening is very welcome. Please email the office with any suggestions on how we can improve it. As we are in the month of October and the children are spending time in school praying the Rosary, I thought it would be helpful to share the teaching behind the Rosary.

The Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, which was celebrated on October 7.

The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary give us snapshots of the life of Christ and his Mother.

- The Joyful Mysteries are taken mostly from Saint Luke's Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus' childhood.
- The Luminous Mysteries bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.
- The Sorrowful Mysteries remind us of how much Jesus loves us. They recall how He suffered and died just for us.

The Glorious Mysteries tell us what happened after Jesus died-His Resurrection, the descent of the Holy Spirit and the love Jesus had for his Mother.

Throughout the month of October, the children will be praying the Rosary in school. Please share any photos of the children praying the Rosary at home to their class teachers.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs. Oakley

Executive Headteacher



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DIARY DATES

16.10.23: Phonics Screening Information meeting- 3.30pm
19.10.23: Harvest Bake Off
20.10.23: Y2 trip to Bearstone Fruit Farm
23.10.23: Cross Country Event at Maple Court Academy
24.10.23: Y4 trip to Stanley Head
25.10.23: Y3 trip to Apedale Heritage Centre
27.10.23: Last day of Autumn term 1
30.10.23-03.11.23: Half term holiday week
06.11.23: Inset day - school closed to pupils
07.11.23: School reopens to pupils, start of Autumn term 2
15.11.23: Flu immunisation for YR-Y6
05.12.23: EYFS Nativity 2.00pm & 5.00pm
07.12.23: KS1 Christingle Service 3.30pm-4.30pm
14.12.23: Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day
14.12.23: KS2 Carols in Church 6.00pm-7.30pm
22.12.23: Last day of Autumn term 2
08.01.24: Inset day - school closed to pupils
09.01.24: School reopens to pupils, start of Spring term 1



Congratulations to our new Head Boy and Head Girl Noah Walley and Ava Simpkin



School Vacancy - Site Supervisor

We currently have a vacancy within our school for a Site Supervisor. To apply please see our school website <https://www.ourladysca.org.uk/vacancies>
 The closing date is Monday 23rd October

Little Learners will be restarting on Wednesday 8th November. To book your place please see the advert below

Our Lady's Little Learners

FREE Play and Stay Session for children aged 2+

Every Wednesday 9:30-10:30 during Term Time Only
 To book your place call 01782 254832 or email littlelearners@olca.org.uk

Autumn term 1 - 2023

Wed 6th Sept - Friday 27th Oct

Monday - Years 5 & 6

Tuesday - Years Nursery & Reception

Wednesday - Years Nursery, 3, 4 & 5

Thursday - Years 1, 2, 3 & 6

Friday - Years 1 & 2

P.E Timetables -

Children should continue to arrive in school wearing their P.E kits on the day of their lesson. Kit to be worn all day. Pupils should remove all jewellery (including earrings) prior to taking part in any physical activities.

Children's details

Please let the School Office know if any details need amending for your child, for example; contacts details, change of address. Also, please let the Office know if there are any changes to the list of people who can collect your child at the end of the school day. Thank you

Reporting pupil absence

May we remind Parents/Carers that they should notify the school when their child is absent. When leaving a message please state the child's full name, their year and give full details of why they will be absent. It is not enough to leave a message just stating they are unwell, we need to have the full details for the reason for their absence. Also if your child is absent due to sickness and diarrhoea then you should keep them at home for 48 hours following their last incident of being sick/having diarrhoea.

WRAPAROUND CARE

Please remember to book AM/PM Wraparound care clubs via careclub@olca.org.uk.

Children must not be left alone in the front reception



Attendance

w/c 09/10/23

Class	Total Percentage
YN	80%
YR	85%
Y1	84%
Y2	89%
Y3	99%
Y4	96%
Y5	97%
Y6	96%

Executive Headteacher: Mrs K Oakley

Chair of the Academy Committee: Mr P Williams

Email: office@olca.org.uk or headteacher@olca.org.uk

Designated Child Protection Officer: Mrs K Oakley

www.safeguardingchildren.stoke.gov.uk

Child Protection Academy Rep: Mrs V Wareham

Stoke on Trent Children's Services: 01782 235100