



Our Lady's News

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



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Dear parents/carers,

It has been a long half term and the children are definitely ready for a break... as are the staff!

This week there were a couple of school trips. Thankfully the farm visit which had to be postponed last week due to bad weather went ahead today and the children in Year 2 had an amazing time. Thank you for your understanding when the farm postponed the original trip... as a working farm they don't have the facilities to accommodate the children safely when the rain is so heavy, but it was certainly worth the wait!

The children return to school on **Tuesday 7th November** as Monday 6th is our annual MAC INSET Day where all staff across our five academies join together for training and the celebration of mass at St Thomas More Catholic Academy in Longton. We celebrate this together at this time of year as 1st November each year is dedicated to the feast of All Saints. Therefore, as the All Saints Catholic Collegiate, we mark this occasion together.

The month of November is traditionally where the Catholic community remembers those who have died. Churches ask parishioners to bring the names of those who have passed away to services so that prayers can be said for them. In school, we will be remembering those who have died in our class and whole school prayer sessions, so we encourage the children to bring photos of anyone they would like included in these prayers into school.

During the week of 13th November, we will be visited by Rise Theatre who will be spending the day in school working with the children to produce a performance which is based on God the Creator (Genesis 1).

The interactive show helps the children to explore and discover the awe and beauty in God's creation and how we are a part of God's beautiful creation - fearfully and wonderfully made!

The theatre company will be giving children the opportunity to buy a 'Planet Hero' badge which will help the children to remember the important messages from the day. If you would like your child to buy one, please make sure they bring £1 into school on Tuesday 14th November.

Have a wonderful half term holiday,

Mrs Oakley

Executive Headteacher



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DIARY DATES

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
13.11.23: Y4 Swimming lessons continue (every Monday until 04.12.23)
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

All the dates of this year's school terms and holiday dates can be found on our website <https://www.ourladyasca.org.uk/parents/term-dates>



Before School Spanish Club



Following the success of this terms before school Spanish Club, from Tuesday 14th November to Tuesday 19th December we will be running an Adult and Pupil before school Holiday Spanish club for pupils from Year 1 to Year 6. This will run from 8am-8.45am, **this is for both parent/family member and pupil to attend together.** Please book a place via [Parent Pay](#) to confirm you will be attending.

Please note, the adult attending can be parent, grandparent and any other adult family relative. We look forward to seeing you!

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

P.E Timetables -

Autumn Term 2 2023

Tues 7th Nov to Fri 22nd Dec

Monday - Y5 & Y6

Tuesday - Nursery & Reception

Wednesday - Nursery, Y5, Y3 & Y4

Thursday - Y2, Y1, Y3 & Y6

Friday - Y1 & Y2

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

A place cannot be guaranteed without prior booking. Children must not be left alone in the front reception waiting area.



Attendance

w/c 23/10/23

Class	Total Percentage
YN	99%
YR	87%
Y1	95%
Y2	95%
Y3	99%
Y4	96%
Y5	89%
Y6	95%

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www.safeguardingchildren.stoke.gov.uk

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