

Our Lady and Saint George's Catholic Primary & Nursery School

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Newsletter 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new half term. We hope you all had an enjoyable week and got to spend quality time with your children. We have had a very busy week with lots of events across the school.

Visit from Rabbi Wollenberg

On Tuesday we welcomed Rabbi Wollenberg to both sites where he presented an assembly on Judaism. The children asked some great questions and built on their learning about Judaism.

Black History Month

Some of our Year 5 children took part in a Black History month workshop making Ludo boards led by a Waltham Forest Artist. A number of children from Key Stage 2 also attended Windrush Ballet performances at Leytonstone Library. The children really enjoyed the experiences.

All Saints Day

On the feast of All Saints on Wednesday the whole school including Reception class celebrated Mass together in Church. The Mass was a joyous and moving occasion for the whole school community. Staff and children participated fully by lifting their voices in prayer and song with joy and enthusiasm. Fr. Michael was very impressed by the energy and the enthusiasm shown and the wonderful efforts children had made to dress up as their favourite saint.

KS2 Inclusive Swimming Festival

A group of children from year 4, 5 and 6 had an exciting fun filled morning swimming at Leytonstone Leisure centre. They travelled by minibus.

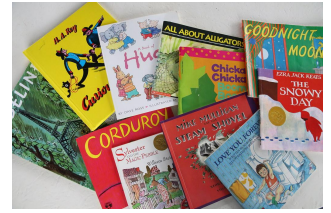
PTFA Meeting

There will be an online PTFA meeting on Wednesday 8th November at 7pm. This is to discuss the arrangements for the forthcoming disco at the lower site on Friday 17th November. If you would like to join the meeting please click on the following link:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ccx-sxsv-tjx>

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent Book Fair and purchased books. The total sales for both sites was £415.54 meaning the school earned £98.65 in rewards to purchase books for the school.



Year 1 Learning

As part of our topic Belonging, we have been learning about Baptism. We visited the church where Father Michael greeted us and showed us how we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. He showed us the Baptismal font, the oil of Chrism, the Oil of Catechumens and the Paschal Candle. We learnt about the order in which a baby gets baptised, who is present at the baptism and the role of the Godparents in a baby's life.



Outdoor Learning

Before half term Honesty class embraced the Autumn air by taking their maths learning outside of the classroom. The children thoroughly enjoyed the 'fresh air' and having a lesson outside.

Switch Off Fortnight

Switch Off Fortnight runs from 13-24 November 2023. The campaign runs every year in November. Switch your lights off for 1 hour every evening and help us save our planet! For more information click on the following link <https://jointhepod.org/campaigns>

Maths Week



Maths Week England takes place between the 13th - 18th November 2023. Maths week is an event designed to build children's confidence when it comes to maths and nurture the love of the subject that'll last a lifetime. After all, maths is a subject that we use in our everyday lives. We certainly couldn't live without it! The motto of this year's event is Maths for All. OLSG will be participating by joining on a daily basis completing various activities, joining live sessions, watching and solving daily videos/problems etc.

Times Table Rock Stars

Funky Parent & Carer Webpage  Please click on the link to access free maths resources. [rockstars.com/parents/free resources](https://rockstars.com/parents/free_resources)



Month of November

During the month of November we remember all our loved ones who have died and the souls of all the faithful departed. Children and staff will write down the name of a loved one which will be placed inside a heart pouch on our remembrance tables on both sites.

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord
Let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace.
Amen 🙏**

The OLSG Families Stay and Pray 'Adoration' Club.

We are pleased to announce a new club which is free of charge. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Monday and Wednesday at Our Lady and St. George's Church. To avail of the opportunity to spend some quality time with Jesus we are starting a new after school club at OLSG.

We would like to invite our children and their families to be a part of this club. It will be held in the Day Chapel of Our Lady and St. George's Church every Monday from 3:15 – 4:00 pm. You are welcome to stay for the whole time period or for as long as your schedule permits. During this time, there will be an opportunity to pray quietly or aloud or sing hymns. There will be books on saints and other faith books that children can quietly read but most importantly, it is a chance to spend time with God – talking and listening to Him or just being in His Presence.

Parents picking up their children from after school clubs can join until 5:00pm. 4-5pm will be dedicated to praying for the Needs and Intentions of Families in our School and Parish. It will be held during term time and although this club is free the spiritual blessings and benefits we receive, will be abundant.

Here is the link to the TenTen Newsletter for parents for the month of November.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Prayer

A Prayer for All Saints Day - November 1st

Lord, as the saints in Heaven adore You for eternity, I beg for their intercession. Saints of God, please come to my aide. Pray for me and bring to me the grace I need to live a holy life in imitation of your own lives.

Amen

Children's Prayers from our Prayer Room

Redet (Resilience)

Dear God,

Give me strength when I am weak, love when I am forsaken, courage when I am afraid, wisdom when I feel foolish, comfort when I am alone, hope when I am rejected and peace when I'm in turmoil.

Amen.

Social Media...WE NEED FOLLOWERS–Did you know we are on Instagram ?
Follow us and tell **all your friends and family** to follow us to see all the exciting things going on in our School. There will be photographs, pictures of work, upcoming events and Friday Favourites) :-The username is **olsgcatholicprimary**.
<http://www.instagram.com/olsgcatholicprimary>



.....DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2023/2024.....

Diary Dates November



Monday 6th Nov

Flu Immunisation for Rec - Year 6

Tues 7th Nov

Prospective Parents Open Morning
 Lower Site **9.30-10.30am**

Year 6 Trip to All Hallows Church, near Tower of London

Parents Surgery (SENDCo) with Miss Lonergan
 3.30pm-5.00pm Lower site

Wednesday 8th November

MHST Coffee morning at L/S @8:45am
 Lower Site Parent Consultation 3:15pm - 6:45pm
 (Curiosity, Gratitude and Generosity)

PTFA online meeting at 7pm

Thursday 9th November

Parent Consultation 3:15pm - 6:45pm
 (Compassion)

Friday 10th November

Whole School Non- Uniform Day
 £1 donation towards PTFA funds

Tuesday 14th November

Year 1 Trip to Vestry House

Thursday 16th November

Year 2 Trip - Cinema

Friday 17th November

Lower Site Disco 3.30pm-5.30pm

Tues 21st Nov

Prospective Parents Open Morning
 Lower Site **9.30-10.30am**

Thursday 30th November

St Andrew's Day (Non-uniform day for
St Andrew's House Only



Diary Dates December



Friday 1st December

Year 2 Trip - Fire of London

Tues 5th December (Every Tuesday)

Surgery (SENDCo) with Miss Lonergan
 3.30pm-5.00pm Lower site