



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Children and staff who belong to **Joan of Arc** house enjoyed their award for being our half term winners with a cinema afternoon on Friday. They watched Early Man whilst enjoying popcorn and sweetie treats. I wonder who will be our winners this half term.

This week is Anti-Bullying Week and the theme this year is 'Choose Respect'. We are very fortunate in our school that all children, staff, parents and governors show respect to one another. On Thursday we are holding an 'Odd Sock Day' where we want everyone to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique and that with our differences we are all equal. Odd Socks Day is such a simple awareness raiser and we really hope you will participate.

STATEMENT TO LIVE BY:

I can tell you how I look after myself.



SCHOOL TRIPS THIS TERM:

Y6 @ THE BRIARS DECEMBER 5th, 6th & 7th

Y6 head to the Briars again this December. Our Briars residential is one of our most important and only spiritual residential we offer. We always encourage the whole of Y6 to go as it is also their last residential opportunity as a whole year group at St Edward. The Briars team are a group of young people full of enthusiasm for life and the world and they make the Briars experience unforgettable. **Please bring payments to the office. If you are concerned about payments, please call in and talk to me.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME.

If your child is in year 3 or above and baptised Catholic, they are now able to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Enrolment forms are available in church **These will need to be completed and returned to church by Friday 16th November. If forms are not returned by this date your child will be unable to take part in the programme until the next academic year.**

The Enrolment Mass will take place at the 11:15 Mass on 9th December. Please note the programme requires commitment from families as the programme will begin in January and run until June. There will be regular meetings for parents and children. Dates of these will be confirmed shortly.

Daily Breakfast Club 8-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	Koala Klubs: Cooking Club (Whole School)	3:15 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition Y4, 5 & 6 Dodgeball (Year 1,2 and 3)	Afternoon 3:15 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition, Y1, 2 & 3 Recorders/Keyboard/Choir Koala Klubs: Magic Club (Whole school) Football (Year 4,5 and 6)	Afternoon All Day 3:15 - 4:30 3:15 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	Koala Klubs: Krazy Science (Whole School)	3:15 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast C	Koala Klubs; Gym (Whole School)	3:15-4:30

EYFS AND KS1 NATIVITY

Nursery and Reception children will perform their Christmas Play to families on Tuesday 18th December. There will be two performances – beginning at 10am and 1:30am. All children in Year 1 and 2 will be part of the choir. Families of all children are welcome to join us.





Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
03.09.18	4th September: INSET Day 5th Sept: School opens to pupils		
10.09.18			EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
17.09.18	18.09.18: Photographs 23.09.18: Family Mass 11:15am	19.09.18: Whole School Mass in church at 9:15am Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	17.09.18: N-Y5 Meet the Teacher 3:15-3:45pm 17.09.18: Y6 Information Meeting 6pm 20.09.18: Information evening regarding Hathersage
24.09.18	26.09.18: International Day	Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
01.10.18	01.10.18: INSET DAY (School closed for pupils)	Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm 05.10.18: Year 6 Assembly 9:15am.	
08.10.18			
15.10.18	15.10 -17.10.18: Residential Year 3&4 18.10.18: Theatre Company in school	17.10.18: Harvest Mass in school 9:15am	
22.10.18			25.10.18: Parents Meetings 1:00pm – 6:00pm
	HALF TERM	29.10.18– 02.11.18	
05.11.18		Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm 09.11.18: Remembrance Day Liturgy	
12.11.18	Judaism Week 12.11.18: Parish Mass Year 1 & 6	Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:15pm	
19.11.18	19.11.18: Parish Mass Year 2 & 5	Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm 23.11.18: Year 3 Assembly 2:30pm	
26.11.18	26.11.18: Parish Mass Year 3 & 4 30.11.18: INSET DAY (School closed for pupils)	Thursday: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
03.12.18	05.12.18-07.12.18: Year 6 Briars residential	03.12.18 Advent Service of Reconciliation Year 4-6 Thursday: Advent Liturgy 2:30pm	
10.12.18		Thursday: Advent Liturgy 2:30pm	11.12.18: Becket Hub Academy Concert at the Albert Hall 14.12.18: Christmas Fayre
17.12.18	18.12.18: Foundation Nativity 10am & 1:30pm 20.12.18: Christmas Dinner	21.12.18: Advent Wreath Service in Church	

PUPIL VOICE

Friday 16th November is Children in Need Day and the School Council and Chaplaincy Teams have both requested that we support this worthwhile cause. We have decided that this day will be a 1980's themed non- uniform day.

In the afternoon we are going to hold a St Edwards Come Dancing Competition. Each class will take part in a dance off to a popular song from the 80's and our famous judges will decide who the winners of the Pudsey glitter ball will be. We will end our day with an 80's themed mini disco.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1 from each child for them to take part in our activities. Unfortunately, due to space we are unable to invite parents to our Dance Competition but please look on our Twitter page for videos and photographs. Our Twitter page is @elseacademy

Many thanks to the parents of the School Council and Chaplaincy Teams who have been sharing their favourite songs of the 80's for our disco playlist. We will announce our winners in next week's newsletter.



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Parish Notices

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): The next meeting of the PPC will be on Monday 10th December at 7pm in The Friary. Minutes of the previous PPC meeting held on 10th September will be on display at the back of Church from next weekend. Those who have submitted questions to the PPC for discussion will find the response to those questions in the minutes. Thank you.

Live Simply Award: We have received a letter of congratulations from the CAFOD Live Simply Coordinator, Maria Elena Arana, highlighting some of the points made in the Report written by the two Assessors who came to visit us last month – Paul Bodenham & Stephen Retout. They highlighted for particular commendation two points: The joint initiatives with St. Edward's School, particularly their 'unplugged' afternoon. Also, the prayer garden blessed by the Bishop in the courtyard of the Friary with its Live Simply theme. For this coming year they suggested four areas where the parish may wish to go deeper.

The first suggestion: To conduct an Eco-audit, covering transport, procurement, energy and contractors. We will report the remaining three suggestions over the next three weeks. Meanwhile, keep the Re-cycling going. Thank you for responding so generously.

The next 'Live Simply' meeting will be at the Friary on Tuesday 13th November at 7.30pm to look at how we can continue our work as a 'Live Simply' Parish. All welcome & all age groups!

SVP Christmas Lunch: The SVP are organising a Christmas lunch for our senior parishioners on Thursday 6th December. This is a great opportunity to meet with other members of the parish and enjoy lunch together. Transport can be provided if required. Please phone 953 6826 or 847 9229 to let us know if you would like to join us by Wednesday 21st November.

A special thank you: Helen Diver has asked to thank everyone who has offered prayers and support to the family following the death of Michael. Special thanks to Fr Jonathan for the lovely Funeral Mass and Dennis Murray for all his support.

Handel's Messiah: The Nottingham Harmonic Choir are performing Handel's Messiah at The Royal Concert Hall Nottingham on Sunday 2nd December at 3pm. Tickets; £18-£24 are available from the booking office, www.trch.co.uk or 0115 989 5555

A day of Discernment: There will be a day of prayer and discernment at The Friary on Saturday 24th November 10.30am-3pm, for young men and women aged 18-30 who may be thinking about becoming a priest, deacon or religious sister or brother. The Vocations Team will be on hand; Fr Paul, Fr Jonathan, Sr Maureen, Sr Susan and Sr Dorothy Paul. Let us know if you can join us through twitter: @nottsvocation or via the Vocations email: nottinghamvocations@hotmail.co.uk

House Fire - Family in Our Parish: A family in our parish have recently suffered fire which destroyed their house together with its contents and there was unfortunately no insurance to cover the loss. The family are currently struggling severely with their financial situation. A website raising funds from public to help them with their essential needs has been set up. Please help them if you can by following the link - <https://www.gofundme.com/kg27b-house-fire>

November – Month of the Holy Souls: Traditionally November is the month in which we remember those of our family and loved ones who have died. The special 'November Dead List' envelopes have been placed on the altar and will remain there throughout the month. There will be a novena of masses for all names in those envelopes.

Flower Demonstration: Good Shepherd Church Arnold are hosting a Flower Demonstration at the Parish Hall on Saturday 17th November from 2 – 4pm. Tickets are £5 including a raffle and refreshments. Tickets are available from Good Shepherd Parish Office

'Wednesday Word': Each week in the foyer at Church, there are 'Wednesday Word' sheets for the children to use at home. Please take a copy home and work with your children to help them better understand the Gospel reading they will listen to at Mass.

First Communion 2019: Parents, if you want your child to begin the programme of preparation for First Communion 2019, application forms must be returned to church by this Friday (16th November).

Ministers of the Word and Holy Communion: Our prayers and congratulations go to Teresa Tran and James Morris from our parish community, who will be commissioned by Bishop Patrick as Ministers of the Word and Holy Communion at the Cathedral on Saturday 17th November 11.30am. We thank them both for their generosity and commitment to this very important ministry in our Church.

Faith in Families: The autumn collection for 'Faith in Families' raised £78.07p Thanks to all concerned. Mary Longley will not be doing any further collections for 'Faith in Families', but they will always welcome standing orders for however large or small an amount. Details of the organisation and relevant forms are in the church foyer. Many thanks to Mary for the work she has done for the charity in our parish over the years.



CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Abisola in year 5 who has won The Young Person of The Year at The Windrush STAR awards which took place on Friday 9th November.

Abisola was born with a Rare Chromosome Disorder and is the only one in the world with her particular disorder. Her parents were told she may never walk, talk, feed unaided and would have learning disabilities throughout her life. But Abisola has a very determined spirit and has surpassed the doctor's predictions because even throughout the many challenges she has had to overcome she is always happy and loves being who she is.

Abi – we love you for being you – you certainly make a difference to all our lives at OLSE with your lovely smile and cheeky personality.

Well done, we are all very proud of you.

SAVE THE DATE!!

We will be holding our Christmas Fayre in school on Friday 14th December beginning at 1:15pm. We have started to collect any unwanted gifts and toiletries for the tombola stall. We also need some parent volunteers so if you are able to help out on the day (or before) please let Mrs Astley or Mrs White know.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 12th November Saint Josephat	9.15am	School MASS November Dead List
Tuesday 13th November Feria	7pm	MASS Tim Horan RIP
Wednesday 14th November Feria	8am 9am	Exposition MASS Caroline Sheeran RIP
Thursday 15th November Feria	8 am 9 am	Exposition MASS John Carney RIP
Friday 16th November Feria	8 am 9 am	Exposition MASS November Dead List
Saturday 17th November Saint Hugh of Lincoln	10 am 10.30-11am 5.45 -6.15 pm 6.30 pm	MASS Peter Quang Tran Exposition Exposition VIGIL MASS Dermot Flynn RIP
Sunday 18th November 33rd. Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am 11:15am	MASS Parents of J and V Lampard RIP MASS The People of the Parish

JUDAISM WEEK

THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER AT 2PM

This week we are celebrating one of our other faith topics focusing on Judaism.

Throughout the week children will visit different classes and learn about Jewish festivals, Scripture, traditions and beliefs.

We are holding a Celebration Assembly on Thursday beginning at 2.15pm.

All are welcome.



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