



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Thank you to all the families who came into school last Monday and celebrated with their children what they have been learning about during Judaism week. It is hard to believe we are now in the season of Advent. Our House Captains led us in our first whole school mass in church on Friday. Their message was very clear, we know the lead up to Christmas is a very busy time for everyone but we must take time to prepare to welcome the light of Jesus in to our lives and our homes at Christmas.

Year 5 children are coming to the end of their DARE project and are busy preparing to graduate. A letter has been sent home outlining the specific details and hopefully you will be able to join us in person for this. Please return the slip informing school what size t shirt your child requires.

Year 4 and 5 children have also brought home a letter about performing at St Barnabas Cathedral on 8th December. All children will be performing. If you haven't returned your slip, please do so as soon as possible. Please indicate on the reply slip whether you are joining us at 6pm or picking up directly at 7pm. You also need to give consent for the cathedral representatives to take photos of your children.

Year 4 Parents Evening will take place today between 1pm and 6:30pm. Please arrive promptly to prevent people waiting around unnecessarily.

On Wednesday, year 6 children are visiting Conkers and The Briars for a two night residential. They are all very excited!!

[As always follow us on Twitter @elseacademy for all the latest news and photos.](#)

TRANSFER TO RECEPTION IN SEPTEMBER 2022

Each family who has a city address and has a child in nursery has received an information pack about applying for a reception place for their child for September 2022. **The closing date for applications is Saturday, 15th January 2022. If you apply after the deadline this may reduce your chances of getting a place at your preferred school, particularly if it is popular. Although your child currently attends our nursery, this does not guarantee you a place in Reception.** We have to follow the admissions criteria from the diocese so it is important you visit other schools and list them too on your application. Failure to do so will mean the City Council will place your child in a school where there is a space available.

RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If your child is baptised Catholic and in year three or above and has not yet received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion there is some information available about the programme which will commence in January for children and families. **If you would like to commit to the programme, please collect a form from church, complete and return the form to church by 19th December**



WORD OF THE WEEK: HOPE



The first week of Advent is themed around Hope. It's a chance to remember the hope of God's people as they waited for a messiah and an opportunity to reflect on our hope that one day Jesus will come again. What are you hopeful for in our world? If you could have just one hope for the future what would it be? God gives hope to everyone and as we enter the season of Advent we should remember that whenever things are difficult we can always hope in God.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Basketball (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Gymnastics (Year 1,2 and 3I)	All day 3:30 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Basketball (Year 1,2 and 3)	3:30 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Dodgeball (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Our Education Welfare Officer, Mrs Bradshaw, monitors attendance daily and continues to make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

CLASS 2, 4 and 5 all with 98% attendance!! A very big WELL DONE!!!

Let's see if we can beat those scores next week?!

School Matters!



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
30.08.21	31.08.21: Health and Safety Day 01.09.21: INSET Day 02.09.21: School opens to pupils	02.09.21 Welcome back Assembly	
06.09.21		06.09.21 Whole School Assembly 10.09.21 Mass led by Year 6	
13.09.21		13.09.21 Whole School Assembly 15.09.21 Choir begins for Year 4 and 5 16.09.21 Year 6 retreat afternoon 17.09.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN
20.09.21	24.09.21: International Day	20.09.20 Whole School Assembly 23.09.21 Year 5 Retreat afternoon 24.09.21: International Day Assembly 2:30pm	20.09.21 Year 6 information evening in school 6pm 22.09.21 Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket
27.09.21	01.10.21 INSET DAY (School closed to all pupils)	27.09.21 Whole School Assembly 30.09.21 St Therese of Liseux House Retreat afternoon	27.09.21 Meeting for parents regarding Hathersage
04.10.21		04.10.21 St Francis Hub Mass 08.10.21 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams	04.10.21 Parent's meetings
11.10.21	11 th – 13 th Residential to Hathersage Year 3 and 4	11.10.21 Whole School Assembly 15.10.20 Achiever of the Half Term Awards	
18.10.21	HALF TERM		
25.10.21	HALF TERM		
01.11.21		01.11.21 Whole School Assembly 02.11.21 All Souls Day Liturgy 05.11.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
08.11.21	08.11.21 Parish Mass Year 1 & 6 9:10am	09.11.21 Whole School Assembly 11.11.21: Remembrance Day Liturgy 12.11.21: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
15.11.21	15.11.21: Parish Mass Year 2 & 5 9:10am	15.11.21 Whole School Assembly 19.11.21 Judaism Celebration	
22.11.21	22.11.21: Parish Mass Year 3 & 4 9:10am	22.11.20 Whole School Assembly 26.11.20 Advent Mass	
29.11.21		29.11.21 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6 03.12.21: Celebration Assembly	
06.12.21	10.12.21: Christmas jumper day	06.12.21 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5 06.12.21 Advent Reconciliation Year 4 -6	
13.12.21	13.12.21: Foundation Nativity 10am 14.12.21: Foundation Nativity 1:30pm 16.12.21: Christmas Dinner	17.12.21 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 4 and 5	

PUPIL VOICE

Well done to Victory, Isaiah, Sklya, Cheryl and Yotam from Year 3 and Oge, Dawid, Darragh, Hollie-Mae and Siyane from year 4 who thoroughly enjoyed representing OLSE as they participated in the Physical Literacy Festival tonight as part of Rushcliffe School Games.

It's great to be back competing again.



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PARISH NOTICES:

“Walk with Me” Booklets & Advent Newsletters: are available for you to take this weekend, a great way to prepare for Christmas during Advent. They are sorted into postcodes so please take a bundle and deliver to others around you – thanks for your help.

St Augustine’s Catholic School and Nursery: join them for a tour to find out more about our wonderful school on Wednesday 1st December at 9.30 am. Email; admin@st-auguatines.nottingham.uk or telephone 0115 9156995 Visit: <https://augustinesprimary.weebly.com/> for more information.

New Scripture group – beginning this week – Wednesday 1st December at Our Lady & St Edward’s Café, 2 pm – 3 pm focussing on Sunday’s Gospel reading. All welcome.

Retiring Collection: next weekend for Christmas flowers and decorations. Thank you.

Decorating St Augustine’s Church: wire frames will be handed out next weekend to those willing to take them away and decorate with green foliage. Please return them on the 12th December. Thank you.

Our Lady & St Edward’s Morning Masses: and exposition will now be held in the St Edward’s Room in the Presbytery. The church will also be open at Mass times for prayer.

Fellowship and Formation for Young Adults 18-35: Join the Diocesan team at their next monthly meeting on 2nd December 2021 at St Barnabas Cathedral commencing 6.30 pm with prayer followed by talk and discussion at 7.30 and then at 8 pm, moving to the local pub to continue the conversation. For further information contact the Vocation Director Fr Neil Peoples at vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk or Fr Liam Carpenter at Our Lady & St Edward’s, Nottingham 0115 9501064

DEANERY Advent Reconciliation Services in Nottingham Take the opportunity to come along and go to Confession – a really good way to prepare for Christmas and to welcome Jesus into our hearts.

- Saturday 4th December. 11.00am Good Shepherd, Thackery’s Lane, Arnold. NG5 4HT
- Thursday 9th December. 7.30pm. Sacred Heart, Carlton Hill. NG4 1FP
- Monday 13th December. 7.30pm. Our Lady’s, Nottingham Road, Eastwood. NG16 2AQ
- Thursday 16th December. 7.30pm. St Teresa’s, Aspley, Kingsbury Drive. NG8 3EP
- Monday 20th December. 7.30pm. Holy Spirit, Melton Road, West Bridgford, NG2 7NT
- Tuesday 21st December. 7.00pm. Our Lady’s, Brooklyn Road, Bulwell. NG6 9ES

This Week:

- Monday 29th Sacred Heart PPC 7pm - Community Centre
- Thursday 2nd – Community Café at Sacred Heart 1.30 pm.
- Friday 3rd December, Sneinton Christmas lights switch on. 1.45. Dales Centre
- Saturday Social: 4th December, after 6.30 Mass.
- Meditation Group: Thursday 2nd December at 7.30 pm in the Sacred Heart Meeting Room.
- Scripture Group: Thursday 2 nd December meeting in St Bernadette’s room attached to Sacred Heart Church at 2 pm. This week’s Gospel Reading: Lk 3:1-6

This Week’s Wednesday Word link: <https://www.paperturnview.com/uk/wednesdayword/advent?pid=MTA101634&v=45.9> for children’s activities about this week’s Gospel reading.

Sign up for Cafod’s daily Advent reflections: These reflections have been very popular and offer an opportunity to pause and reflect, pray and take action as we prepare for Christmas. Visit their Interactive online Advent calendar | CAFOD for more details. There are also free Advent children’s liturgy resources that parish catechists may find useful. Children’s Liturgy | CAFOD

Children’s Liturgy: At Sacred Heart Church, the children begin in the Community Room so please take your child directly there before Mass begins. At St Augustine’s, the children will be invited to process out at the beginning of Mass into the hall. There is currently no Children’s Liturgy at Our Lady & St Edward’s, can you help out?

Fr Jonathan Cotton’s Address: he has at last moved into his new home – his address is: 14 Cavendish Crescent, Hugglescote, Coalville Leicestershire LE67 2GY if you wish to keep in touch.

CLIMATE CHANGE – WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW

COP26 – Parents’ / Grandparents’ reflection Advice for supporting our children’s future is everywhere, “Get them the best education”; “Save money for university / housing”. “Love them and show them the world”, from a great-aunt. At our children’s baptisms, we promise to bring them up in the faith. The Church reminds us to also protect the unborn child. COP26 is in the news and Catholics are being called to show love for people worldwide in their response to climate change. It seems overwhelming. But maybe thinking about the world we want to show our children, spurs us to fulfil some of our Catholic calling.

Without forgetting prayer. See cafod.org.uk for activism tips and prayers.



Advent services in school

Thank you to our House Captains; Sada, Lydiah, Zia, Lucia, Lemuel, Maia, Macie and Shallom who prepared and led the whole school and parish in mass on Friday morning to celebrate the beginning of Advent this weekend. They told us we must be patient, we must slow down and we must be ready to welcome the light of Jesus into our lives and hearts at Christmas.



We begin our Advent services in school this afternoon in school with year 6 focusing on the theme of hope.

Following services will take place on:

Monday 6th December at 9:10am led by year 5

Friday 17th December at 2pm led by Year 3 and 4

Children in Year 4, 5 and 6 will also have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday 6th December.

Our EYFS / Key Stage 1 nativity rehearsals are underway.

The children will perform to parents and families on

Monday 13th December at 10am and Tuesday 14th

December at 1:15pm.

No doubt you have heard or read about the emergence of the Omicron variant of Covid within the UK and closer to home in Nottingham. The latest guidance has changed for schools following this - face coverings should now be worn in communal areas in all settings by staff and visitors. If you are attending one of our celebrations, you must wear a face covering to protect yourself as well as those around you.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

Monday 29 th November	9am (OLSE) 9:30am (SH)	MASS Holy Souls RIP Holy Souls RIP
Tuesday 30 th November St Andrew	10am (SA) 10:15am (SH)	MASS Caleb Wakley RIP Lusiana Capone RIP
Wednesday 1 st December Martyrs of Derbyshire	9am (OLSE) 9am (SH)	MASS John B Nguyen van Khiem RIP Jean Healey RIP
Thursday 2 nd December	10am (SA)	MASS Jo O'Donovan RIP
Friday 3 rd December St Francis Xavier	9am (OLSE) 9am (SH) 3-5pm (OLSE)	MASS Mrs Lombardi RIP In thanksgiving for friend and family (Rivers) Confessions for Advent. Just drop in.
Saturday 4 th December	6.30 pm (SH)	VIGIL MASS Danny Maddox RIP
Sunday 28 th October Second Sunday of Advent	8.45am (St Christopher's) 9.30am (OLSE) 10.00am (SH) 11.00am (SA) 11.30am (OLSE)	MASS Ann Millar RIP People of the parish Holy Souls RIP Mary & Dave Ryan RIP John Keane RIP (b'day)

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 12TH NOVEMBER AT 2:30PM

Congratulations to the children who have been chosen by their teacher to be in Celebration Assembly this week.

NURSERY: Piotr and Jolie

RECEPTION: Amarah and Melva

YEAR ONE: Freya and Tolu

YEAR TWO: Alex and Freya

YEAR THREE: Victory and Isaiah

YEAR FOUR: Kyanna and Oge

YEAR FIVE: Dararn and Teresa

YEAR SIX: At the Briars

Parents are welcome to join us, please wear a face covering

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