



**WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?**

This week is Anti Bullying Week. We are always very proud of the relationships the children build with each other throughout school. They show those Gospel values of respect, acceptance, forgiveness and loving one another as they want to be loved day in day out. This is reflected when visitors ask the children if they are happy and safe in school and verified further with the responses in our recent parent survey with all responses stating they strongly agree / agree their child feels safe in school.

We know that children also belong to other groups outside of school as well as the fact they will move eventually onto different schools and live with greater independence. Today, we will lead assemblies for all children sharing with them the different types of bullying – physical, verbal and cyber. We will also talk to the children about consent and the protected characteristics which do not define a person and that they should not be discriminated for their gender, age, race, religion or disability. We will remind them what they need to do if they ever find themselves in a situation when they feel uncomfortable and frightened.

**WORD OF THE WEEK:**

**Remembrance**



**We have gathered as a community to remember those who have sacrificed so much for our freedom. We pray for all the soldiers and medics who were willing to die to protect their country. We ask for comfort and strength for their families.**

**Remembrance Day**

Our Chaplaincy Team planned and led us in our Remembrance Day Liturgy on Friday morning. They wrote their own prayers to reflect the sacrifice the soldiers made, prayed for peace in our world today, and shared and reflected on Scripture. Our whole community paused for two minutes and each class placed a poppy wreath around the prayer focus area. Well done to everyone for being so respectful and thank you to the families who joined us.



| <b>Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40</b> | <b>EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</b>                                                   |  |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday Breakfast Club                 | TB Sport: Basketball ( Year 4, 5 and 6)<br>TB Sport Wrap Around Care                 | 3:30 - 4:30<br>3.30-5.30                                                            |
| Tuesday Breakfast Club                | Music Tuition<br>TB Sport: Gymnastics (Year 1,2 and 3!)<br>TB Sport Wrap Around Care | All day<br>3:30 - 4:30<br>3.30-5.30                                                 |
| Wednesday Breakfast Club              | TB Sport: Basketball ( Year 1,2 and 3)<br>TB Sport Wrap Around Care                  | 3:30 - 4:30<br>3.30-5.30                                                            |
| Thursday Breakfast Club               | TB Sport: Dodgeball ( Year 4, 5 and 6)<br>TB Sport Wrap Around Care                  | 3:30 - 4:30<br>3.30-5.30                                                            |
| Friday Breakfast Club                 | No afterschool provision<br>TB Sport Wrap Around Care                                | 3.30-5.30                                                                           |

**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. Forms to enrol on this preparation are available from the sacristy at each church after Mass. **They must be returned by 17th December. Any forms returned after this date will not be accepted. They must be returned to the parish, not school.**



**ATTENDANCE**

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.

Over all school attendance last week was 96%!

Last week's winners were Year 5 with 98%! This is amazing Year 5 Well Done.

# OUR LADY & ST. EDWARDS PRIMARY AND NURSERY CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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Guided by Jesus in all that we do. Together, we are one school, one community, one world.



| Week beginning: | School Event                                                               | Assemblies/Services                                                                                                                                                           | After School                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 04.09.23        | 05.09.23/06.09.23: INSET Day<br>06.09.23: School opens to pupils           | 06.09.23 Whole School Assembly                                                                                                                                                | TB Sport Wrap Around Care begins                                                                                                                            |
| 11.09.23        | 13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> Residential to Hathersage Year 3 and 4 | 13.09.23 Welcome Mass led by Year 6. 9:15am in school<br>14.09.23 Year 6 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>15.09.23: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm                               | TB Sports Extra Curricular starts                                                                                                                           |
| 18.09.23        | 22.09.23: International Day of languages                                   | 18.09.23 Whole School Assembly<br>20.09.23 Choir begins for Year 3 and 4<br>21.09.23 Year 5 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>22.09.23 International Day Assembly 2:30pm       | 18.9.23 Meet the Teacher 3.20-3.45pm<br>19.09.23 Year 6 information evening here at school 6pm<br>20.09.23 Year 6 Open evening at The Becket 6pm and 7.15pm |
| 25.09.23        |                                                                            | 25.09.23 Whole School Assembly<br>28.09.23 SEN Coffee Morning 9.30-11am<br>28.09.23 Year 4 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>29.09.23 St Therese of Liseux Feast Day- Assembly |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 02.10.23        | 06.10.23 World Mental Health Day                                           | 04.10.23 St Francis Feast Day Hub Mass<br>05.10.23 Year 3 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>06.10.23 World Mental Health Day                                                   | Parents Coffee afternoon 2.15pm                                                                                                                             |
| 09.10.23        |                                                                            | 11.10.23 Harvest Liturgy led by Year 5, 2:30pm<br>12.10.23 Year 2 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>13.10.23 Feast of St Edward Mass in church 9:15am                          | 09.10.23 Teacher – Parents meetings 1:00pm-6:30pm                                                                                                           |
| 16.10.23        |                                                                            | 16.10.23 Whole School Assembly<br>19.10.23 Year 1 Retreat Afternoon – Encounter<br>20.10.23 Achiever of the Half Term Awards                                                  |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 23.10.23        | <b>HALF TERM</b>                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 30.10.23        | <b>HALF TERM</b>                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 06.11.23        |                                                                            | 06.11.23 Whole School Assembly linked to Anti-Bullying<br>10.11.23: Remembrance Day 10.40am                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 13.11.23        |                                                                            | 13.11.23 Whole School Assembly<br>17.11.23: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 20.11.23        |                                                                            | 20.11.23 Whole School Assembly<br>24.11.23 Judaism open afternoon                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 27.11.23        |                                                                            | 27.11.23 Whole School Assembly<br>01.12.23: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 04.12.23        | 08.12.23 Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Fayre                              | 04.12.23 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6<br>06.12.23 Advent Reconciliation year 4,5 and 6                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 11.12.23        |                                                                            | 11.12.23 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5<br>13.12.23 EYFS/KS1 Nativity 1.30pm<br>14.12.23 EYFS/KS1 Nativity 9.30am                                                               |                                                                                                                                                             |
| 18.12.23        | 20.12.23 Christmas dinner and party afternoon                              | 18.12.23 Advent Liturgy led by Year 1 and 2<br>21.12.23 Achiever of the Half Term Awards 9.15am<br>21.12.23 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 3 and 4 2pm                     | 22.12.23 INSET DAY                                                                                                                                          |



## **PARISH NOTICES:**

### **November; month of remembrance**

**This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday** – we will hold a minute's silence at Masses this weekend, to pray for all those who have lost their lives in war and to pray for peace. At 2.50 in the afternoon, you are invited to gather at the Cenotaph in Carlton Cemetery for a short service and then Fr Joe and Deacon Anthony will be available to pray with individual families at loved ones' graves.

**Memorial Mass; St Augustine's Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 10.30**

**Blessing of graves; Carlton Cemetery:** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Cenotaph service at 3.00, followed by prayers at individual family graves.

**Blessing of graves:** Wilford Hill Chapel, 1 pm on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November

**Novena for Presentation Day:** The Sisters here at St Augustine's make a Novena for Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, their Patronal Feast. Associates and Parishioners are invited to join them this year so please come along at 7pm each evening between the **12<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> November** in the house for about 40-45 minutes each evening on some aspect of Mary's Life, led by the Sisters. If you can't do all nine evenings, please feel free to join when you can and you may pray the other evenings at home.

**Renewal of Vows:** The Sisters renew their Vows on this Feast in the presence of the Parish Community so as Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November is the nearest they will renew their Vows at the 11.30 Mass.

**Walk with me booklets** now available, £1 from church, with readings and prayers for each day of Advent and a message from Bishop Patrick.

**Interested in an experience like no other? Being on the team at The Briars is just that.** A great experience for people who are leaving school or college and want to do something different before going off to further study/training or into work. Come along and learn about what this gap year experience is all about. Open Days; Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov, 12 – 3 & Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2 – 8. Book a slot at [www.ndcys.com/gap-year-open-evening](http://www.ndcys.com/gap-year-open-evening) The Briars DE4 5BW

**Hymn Books:** the hymn books at Our Lady & St Edward's and St Augustine's are very tired looking and a bit out of date. We plan to replace them in the next few months with Laudate; this is the best Catholic hymn book on the market and it will mean that we all use the same book across the three churches. **If you would like to dedicate a hymn book for a particular intention, take a green form from the back of church and return it with a donation; suggested amount £10.** The dedication can be in memory of someone who has died or any other prayer intention. It's lovely to open a hymn book and see a prayer request. There will be 150 books each at OLSE and SA. There are a few books at Sacred Heart without dedications, but most already have them in from a few years ago. Any current dedications in hymn books at OLSE will be transferred over to the new books.

**St Augustine's Catholic School and Nursery Open Mornings,** Park Avenue, Mapperley Park, NG3 4JS: Join them for a tour with the headteacher and find out more about their wonderful, inclusive school on Wednesday on 15<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> November, between 9.30 – 11.30 am. To book: enquire at reception, email [admin@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-augustines.nottingham.sch.uk) or telephone 0115 9156995. Full time reception places available for children who turn 5 after the 31st August 2023 and 2024. Nursery places available for children aged 3 including 15 and 30 hour funded places for 3 & 4 year olds.





**Please pray for:**

- ❖ Peace in Palestine and Israel
- ❖ All the deceased clergy who have served our churches over the years.

**Events this week in the parish:**

- **Our Lady & St Edward's Café:** Wednesday 12 noon.
- **Parish Council Meeting:** Wed 15<sup>th</sup>. 7pm at Sacred Heart
- **Community Café at Sacred Heart** Thursday 12 noon. All welcome
- **Meditation Group:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November in Sacred Heart Community Centre 7.30 pm. All Welcome
- **Scripture Group:** is on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm in St Joseph's Convent focussing on Mt 25:14-30. All are welcome.

**Wednesday Word Link:** resources for children on this week's Gospel:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/wisdom?pid=MTA101634&v=108.1>

**Coming Up**



- **Christmas Fair - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at the Greyfriars 12-3:** Holy Family will be running a stall. Volunteers wanted! Can you help out or donate good quality items? Contact the office.
- **Sacred Heart School Christmas fair:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the school hall 3pm to 5 pm. Have a go at many activities such as 'whack a pudding', sample prize winning cakes, coal throwing, golden carrot picking, plus many more activities. Entrance £1 per adult. Fr Joe & Diane are running a stall. Please come along and join in some festive fun.

**Holy Family Christmas Raffle: Prizes wanted! Could you donate a voucher or item for our luxury hamper?**

**Nottingham Catholic Medical Association - CMA** is here for Catholic doctors, nurses and healthcare workers (incl students and retired) for fellowship and more. We will be celebrating our annual Mass on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov at 8pm in the Eucharistic Chapel, St Barnabas Cathedral. All are warmly invited, bring family and friends. Just turn up... Afterwards there is the option, just 2 mins walk, to gather at Brown's for drinks/order bar snacks (no booking needed, buy your own). Any queries contact Caroline 07757 285 888.

**Handel's Messiah by Candlelight** by Nottingham Cathedral Choir, orchestra, and special guests on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Woodthorpe beginning at 7 pm. Tickets £5 - £20 from the parish office 0115 926 8288 or [goodshepherd@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:goodshepherd@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

**Support for married couples.** Check out [www.teamsgb.org.uk](http://www.teamsgb.org.uk) If you want to find out more, come along to Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, Meadows. NG2 1JQ. Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2 – 3.30pm. If you want to go along, contact [bishop.personalsec@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:bishop.personalsec@dioceseofnottingham.uk)



### Eco-Warriors

Congratulations to our new Eco-Warriors for this year who will support Mrs Harrison in supporting to help look after our ever changing world.

1 – Andre & Imelda

2 – Chiwetara & Lena

3 – Ethan & Evelyn

4 – Eva-Joy & Amelia

5 – Janka & Shalom

6 – Nadal & Kaylin



### Anti-Bullying Week 2023

This week is anti-bullying week. We will be completing activities and having assemblies to learn about what bullying is and how we can prevent it. We will launch this week with an odd socks day on Monday to remind ourselves that it is ok to be different. Please see attached pack for more information on bullying.

[Parent Pack FINAL.pdf \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](#)

### TRANSFER TO RECEPTION CLASS IN SEPTEMBER 2024

The window for applying for a reception place for your child for September 2024 is now open and closes on 15th January 2024. 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.

### CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT 2:30PM

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY THEIR TEACHER TO BE IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK.

**NURSERY:** Otis and Kenneilia

**RECEPTION:** Evanna and Jessica

**YEAR ONE:** Havana and Isabel

**YEAR TWO:** Grace and Michal

**YEAR THREE:** Julia and Zofia

**YEAR FOUR:** Matthew and Sienna

**YEAR FIVE:** Natan and Seth

**YEAR SIX:** Kayanna and Kaylin

PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

### Christmas Card Sales

This year we have made £85.04 from the sale of cards, mugs, coaster and gift tags.

Thank you to all families who have supported school by purchasing different items.