



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last week the weather was windy, please ensure your child is wearing a warm winter coat and has a hat, a pair of gloves as they still go outside to play at break and lunch.

We have a small number of children who do not wear the correct uniform. Girls cannot wear leggings; they are able to wear school trousers in the winter months. Girls can wear tights but tights and socks are not allowed either. Joggers and hoodies worn for PE must be plain black or navy and not branded. We believe every child should feel included and part of our school community.

On Wednesday, our Chaplaincy team are supporting the parish SVP group at their Christmas party. They will help to set up the space, serve food and chat with the people attending.

On Friday afternoon, we have twelve children from year 5 and 6 representing our school at a cross-country event at Wollaton Hall. Mr Jessop will take the children. The children will return to school at 3:40pm so please remember to collect at this later time.

We are recruiting a parent governor. This is an important role working alongside as well as challenging the Senior Leadership Team. If you are interested, please return the nomination form by Tuesday 6th February.

Please make a note of our next INSET day this term. It is on Friday 9th February when staff from all the schools within Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi Academy Trust will come together.

School is closed for all children on this day.

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HOLY FAMILY SOCIAL

Please celebrate with the parish whilst enjoying a delicious Vietnamese meal. Tickets are on sale at all of our churches after mass over the coming weeks - - ask a Welcomer. If you attend Sacred Heart, they are available from the shop. Payment can also be made on the Dona machine.



THANK YOU

Thank you to all the families who supported our tuck shop on Friday to raise money for Cafod. We raised £55.05. Thanks to the Chaplaincy Team for giving up their break time to sell the sweet treats. [#faithinaction](https://twitter.com/faithinaction)



WORD OF THE WEEK: LEADERSHIP



Leadership is about serving others and inspiring a difference in the world. It is also about being a witness to your faith and being a role model for others so they can grow in their faith too.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Futsal (Year 4, 5 and 6) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Dance (Year 1,2 and 3!) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	All day 3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Futsal (Year 1,2 and 3) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Handball (Year 4, 5 and 6) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Friday Breakfast Club	TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3.30-5.30

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.

The winners of last weeks attendance were Year 6 and Year 1 with 98% attendance! Whole school attendance was down last week, let's try really hard this week to raise that!

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
01.01.24			
08.01.24		08.01.24 Word of the Week Assembly - Epiphany 12.01.24 Epiphany Mass in church 2pm	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN 08.01.24 Parents meeting in church 6pm for children making their First Holy Communion
15.01.24	19.01.24 Feast of Blessed Cyprian Tansi	15.01.24 Word of the Week Assembly - Discipleship 19.01.24 Talent Show Auditions	
22.01.24	25.01.24 School Council working with Lay Chaplain- Catholic Social Teaching	22.01.24 Word of the Week Assembly - scripture 26.01.24: Talent Show Final	
29.01.24		29.01.24 Word of the Week Assembly - Leadership 02.02.24: Celebration Assembly	
05.02.24	06.02.24 Safer Internet Day 09.02.24 INSET Day	05.02.24 Word of the Week Assembly - Diversity 06.02.24 Safer Internet Day Assembly 08.02.24 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly	
12.02.24	HALF TERM		
19.02.24		19.02.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Prayer 23.02.24: Lent Mass	
26.02.24		26.02.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Fasting led by Year 1 and 2 01.03.24 Celebration Assembly	
04.03.24	06.03.24- World Book Day	04.03.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Almsgiving led by Year 3 06.03.24 Lent Reconciliation Service Year 4- 6	04.03.24 Parent teacher Meetings
11.03.24	11.03.24 British Science Week	11.03.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Sacrifice led by Year 4	
18.03.24	22.03.24 World Maths Day 18.03.24 Assessment Week	18.03.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Journey led by Year 5	
25.03.24		28.03.24 Word of the Week Assembly – Passion led by Year 6 28.03.24 Achiever of the Half Term Assembly	28.02.24 – 01.03.24 Briars Residential Year 6

PUPIL VOICE

On Monday Year 1 participated in a Geography drama workshop. They learnt lots of new and interesting facts about Antarctica and the Arctic. Year 3 participated in a workshop too, learning all about volcanoes. Both classes had lots of fun too!! Thank you to Mrs Astley for organising.





PARISH NOTICES

Funerals: there are increasing problems with families trying to arrange a funeral and insisting on a particular day and time and not being flexible when trying to make the arrangements. The availability of church, priest, cemetery or crematorium, funeral directors and family all have to come together and if one element of all those involved expects everyone else to fall in with what they want, then funerals are delayed, or families start shopping round for another church. The parish and clergy are being as flexible as they can but will not always be available on a day the family have fixed on. Please bear this in mind if you have to work with funeral directors to make arrangements.

Adult Formation Coordinator: After 6 years in this role in the parish, Pauline Baptist has decided to retire from this work at Easter. She has been a brilliant member of the team in the parish, establishing the role and doing great work supporting catechists and making sure our sacramental programmes and faith formation are high quality and support adults to grow in their faith. There will be a chance to say thank you to Pauline before she steps down but the job will be advertised over the next month so that this important role can continue in the parish.

If you are interested in applying for the role or would like more information contact Diane Williams, Community Coordinator: 0115 9118266 ccen@dioceseofnottingham.uk The closing date is Monday 26th February.

Job Opportunity: The Diocese of Nottingham is currently recruiting for a Land and Buildings Officer and for a Compliance and Support Property Officer. Details can be found on the poster at the back of church, or by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers For more information contact Rachael Oxspring on 0115 953 9845. The closing date is Monday 12th February.

Nottingham's Annual Light Night Trail: come and experience the Cathedral like never before, its breath-taking gothic revival architecture will be illuminated, there will be live choral and organ performances throughout the evening, and the opportunity for families to make lanterns thanks to a new collaboration with Nottingham Playhouse. All are welcome on Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd February, 5.30 – 10.00pm.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

- Maria O'Connor RIP (Reception 4pm Sun 28th Jan, Funeral Mass 11am Monday 29th at Sacred Heart)
- Mary Logelain RIP (Gedling Crematorium Monday 29th Jan, 4pm)
- Margaret McManamon RIP (Reception 6pm Tues 30th Jan, Funeral 11am Wednesday 31st Jan. Sacred Heart)
- Mary Kelly RIP (Reception 6pm Thurs 1st Feb, Funeral Mass Fri 2nd, 11.30am at Our Lady & St Edward's)
- Marie Dore (Reception 4.30pm Tuesday 6th Feb, Funeral service 11 am Wednesday 7th Feb, St Augustine's)

Please pray for:

- All couples on our parish Marriage Preparation Course which starts this week.
- The members of the Catenian Association. <https://thecatenians.com/>

This week in the parish:

- **Our Lady & St Edward's Café:** Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.
- **Community Café at Sacred Heart** Thursday 12 noon. All welcome
- **Meditation Group:** Thursday 1st February in Sacred Heart Community Centre at 7.30. All welcome.
- **Scripture Group:** is on Friday 2nd February at 2pm in St Joseph's Convent focussing on Mark 1:29-39. All are welcome.

• **Car parking;** Monday 29th – Wednesday 31st there will be no parking outside Our Lady & St Edward's on the forecourt. Work is taking place to remove dangerous trees, so the area will be out of bounds.

Wednesday Word Link: resources for children on this week's Gospel <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/teacher?pid=MTA101634&v=117.3>

Hymn Books: We still have plenty of new hymn books which need a dedication - 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. Any current dedications in hymn books at OLSE will be transferred over.

Notts Hospice Appeal: over the following two weekends we will be joined by Becky Sills, from Nottinghamshire Hospice which is situated in our parish at 384 Woodborough Road, Nottingham NG3 4JF. She will be talking about the hospice to raise awareness and to raise funds. She writes: "Since opening in 1980, Nottinghamshire Hospice has provided palliative and end-of-life care in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire. Our services are provided free of charge to our patients and their families. We believe everyone has a right to expect care and a death which respects and celebrates their life, is dignified and is in a place with those around them that they care for. Because of this, most of our care takes place in people's homes – last year, we provided 31,101 hours of care in people's homes and cared for 2,489 people living across Nottinghamshire. At our Woodborough Road site, there are services such as physio, social groups and craft groups. In addition to this, we have qualified Counsellors and emotional support volunteers to support people facing bereavement. Visit our website for more information: <https://www.nottshospice.org>". Becky will be speaking at Our Lady & St Edward's and St Augustine's this Sunday, 28th January, and Sunday 4th February at Sacred Heart.

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: 'All human suffering is sacred to God. So prays the prayer of Psalm 56: "You have kept an account of my wanderings; you have kept a record of my tears! Are they not written in your book?" (v. 8). Before God we are not strangers, or numbers. We are faces and hearts, known one by one, by name.' To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

Children's Liturgy: Our Lady & St Edward's: Sunday 4th February, Sunday 3rd March **St Augustine's:** 28th January, 11th and 25th February, 10th and 24th March. **Sacred Heart** Children's liturgy is **Sundays** during term time.



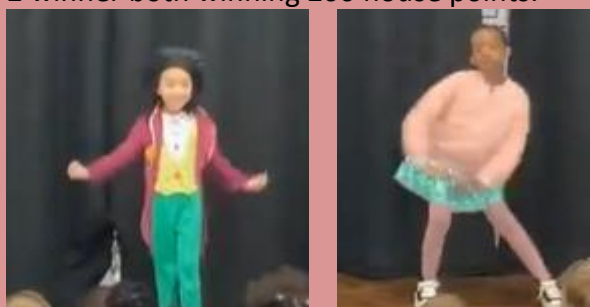
OLSE'S GOT TALENT 2024

We enjoyed a fantastic afternoon of entertainment at our Talent Show Final. Our Key Stage 1 finalists were: **Lena, Melva, Emmanuel, Alessia and Patirck.**

Our Key Stage 2 finalists were **Lena, Tyler, Tobechi and Yotam, Bryan and Filip, Timmi, Chloe and Katie, Alley and Max, Eva and Janka, Javonna, Jeremiah and Seth.**



Thank you to members of our Giverning Body and volunteers who joined us to judge, After much deliberation they chose **Alessia** as their Key Stage 1 winner and **Eva** as their Key Stage 2 winner both winning 200 house points.



Melva and **Patrick** finished in joint second in Key Stage 1 winning 100 points each and **Lena, Tyler, Tobechi and Yotam** and **Janka, Javonna, Jeremiah and Seth.** Finished in joint second in Key Stage 2 winning 100 house points too.

A huge thank you to our House Captains **Harlan, Paige, Nadal, Serghel, Jessy, Tommy, Hollie-Mae and Filip** for organising.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 29th January	9am (OLSE) 11.00 Funeral; (9SH) 4.00 Funeral; Gedling	MASS Ann Le Thi Khuong RIP Funeral Mass for Maria O'Connor RIP Funeral service for Mary Logelain. Gedling Crematorium
Tuesday 30 th January	10am (SA) 6.00 Reception; (SH)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion Reception and Vigil for Margaret McManamon RIP
Wednesday 31 st January St John Bosco	11.00 Funeral; (SH) 6.00 Mass; (SH)	MASS Requiem Mass for Margaret McManamon RIP Mary Teresa's intentions
Thursday 1 st February	10am (SA) 6.00 Reception; (OLSE)	MASS John McLoughlin RIP Reception and Vigil for Mary Kelly RIP
Friday 2 nd February Presentation of the Lord	9am (SH) 11.30 Funeral; OLSE	MASS Rev J Toomey RIP Funeral for Mary Kelly RIP
Saturday 3 rd February	10am (SA)	VIGIL MASS Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Augustine's. 10 – 11am
Sunday 4 th February Fifth Sunday of the Year	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11:30am (SA)	MASS People of the parish Nora Roberts RIP Mary Fitzmaurice RIP

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 2ND FEBRUARY AT 2:30PM

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

NURSERY: Hughie and Issac

RECEPTION: Najarn and Olivia

YEAR ONE: Mila and Seamus

YEAR TWO: Eliash and Sophie

YEAR THREE: Daniel and Omobolaji

YEAR FOUR: Hannah and Martin

YEAR FIVE: Diana and Tobechi

YEAR SIX: Kayanna and Nadal

PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

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