



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Last week we celebrated, exploring and investigating 'British Science Week' at OLSE. The theme this year was "Time". We encouraged our young people to think about how time has been measured throughout history, how as scientists we learn by making observations over time and how timing investigations helps us to answer questions.

Each year group took part in the following investigations:

Foundation Stage	The time it takes trees to grow.	Planting and observing a fruit tree over time. Does all wood float?
Year 1	How the seasons change during a year.	Which material will be best for making an umbrella to protect ourselves from the 'April Showers'?
Year 2	The time it takes for different animal life cycles.	The life cycle of a butterfly. How can you balance a butterfly?
Year 3	How does the sun help us tell the time?	Investigating how sundials and shadows help us tell the time.
Year 4	How has water been used to tell the time?	Creating, investigating and testing water clocks.
Year 5	Pendulums	Creating, investigating and testing different pendulums.
Year 6	Geological time.	How old is the earth? Researching geological time periods.



Please make a note of our remaining INSET day - Friday 28th June. School will be closed for all children on that day.

Congratulations to....

Adam, Bryan, Dorian, Emmanuella, Eva, Evelyn, Filip C, Filip Z, Gabi, Janice, Jessica, Lily, Mailany, Nuala, Oliver, Omobolaji, Orlaith, Thomas and Zofia R who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week.



WORD OF THE WEEK: JOURNEY

Lent



Lent is a time of journeying with Jesus Christ. It is a time of reflecting on our lives, repenting our sins, and growing in our faith. The journey of Lent is a challenging one, but it is also a rewarding one. It is a journey that can help us to grow closer to God so that we are ready to truly celebrate Jesus Christ's resurrection at Easter.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Volleyball Year 4, 5 and 6) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Athletics (Year 1,2 and 3I) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	All day 3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Tennis (Year 1,2 and 3) TB Sport Wrap Around Care	3:30 - 4:30 3.30-5.30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Gymnastics (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. **Well done to year 1 who achieved 100% attendance last week. Well done to reception, year 2 and 6 who all had attendance above 98%. Let's keep this up throughout school.**

School Matters!





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	

PUPIL VOICE

Friday 22nd March 2024 is World Maths Day and we would like to invite all pupils to come dressed as a rock star. This is so we can combine world maths day with technology and the Times tables Rock star (TTRs) app that we use in school to help all pupils become fluent in the times tables.

You do not need to go out and buy any new clothing and pupils can take inspiration from their TTRs rock star avatar. Throughout the day classes will engage in a wide range of maths activities and challenges which teachers will combine with technology.



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PARISH NOTICES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our Lady & St Edward's: 7pm Tuesday 19th March, **St Augustine's:** 7pm Friday 22nd March, **Sacred Heart:** Friday after 9.15 am Mass

Drop-in confessions: Monday 18th March 3 – 5pm, Our Lady & St Edward's Tuesday 19th March 3.30 – 5.30pm St Augustine's Wednesday 20th March 3 – 5pm Sacred Heart

Holy Week Services: We need ministers to sign up for which Holy Week services they are able to help atreaders, welcomers, Eucharistic Ministers etcPlease sign the sheets at the back of church to help with our planning for this most important week in the Church's year.

JOB VACANCIES AT HOLY FAMILY PARISH

1. Adult Faith Formation Coordinator. 10 hours a week, this person is part of the Pastoral Leadership team and the job includes the coordination and provision of opportunities for the faith formation of adults, through sacramental programmes and other opportunities. Training and supporting volunteers in the parish to ensure that adult faith formation is organised and delivered to a high standard to provide effective evangelisation for adults. Closing date; Monday 8th April. <https://ccen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Holy-Family-Adult-Faith-Formation-Coordinator-Job-Information.pdf>

2. Parish Facilities Manager. 18 hours a week. Serving the parishes of Holy Family, East Nottingham and Our Lady's and Holy Cross, Bulwell and Hucknall. The Facilities Manager will work with parish admin staff to coordinate the buildings and grounds maintenance, ensuring all statutory Health and Safety checks are carried out, and keep the buildings and grounds in good order. Closing date: Monday 15th April 2024. <https://ccen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Facilities-Manager-Job-pack.pdf>

Red Missio Boxes: Please could anyone with a Red Missio Box bring it in to be emptied by the 6/7th April to the Welcomers/Sacristy. If you don't have a box and would like one, there are spares available at the back of the church or please ask for one. Alternatively, you can arrange to pay by direct debit – forms are available at the back of church. Thank you for your support.

Car parking at Our Lady & St Edward's. The area in front of the presbytery is available for a few cars to park during Mass and other services, however, the hatched area in front of the gates should be kept clear at all times. This is indicated by the large 'No Parking' signs on the fence and gates. **Please do not park here.** Thank you to Paul Reddington at the Greyfriars for allowing us to use their car park, particularly on Sunday morning.

ITEMS FOR SALE: there are some items from Our Lady & St Edward's Presbytery for sale – tables, chairs, bookcases, bed and kitchen items. All are priced so come along and take a look **next Sunday, 24th**, after Mass.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Saturday 15th June. Our bus leaves Sacred Heart at 8.15 am and costs £26, we have 17 seats. Contact the office if you would like to go.

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday 28th March; Mass of the Lord's Supper 8pm St Augustine's **Good Friday 29th March;** Service of The Passion 3pm. Our Lady & St Edward's

Good Friday Stations of the Cross with Veneration of the Cross 7pm. St Christopher's, Trent Lane, Sneinton **Blessing of the Easter Food.** Holy Saturday morning 30th March. 10am. Our Lady & St Edward's **Holy Saturday 30th March;** Easter Vigil of the Resurrection 8 pm Sacred Heart **Easter Sunday 31st March.** 9am Our Lady & St Edward's, 10.15am Sacred Heart, 11.30am St Augustine's.

Please pray for: The children who will make their First Confession this week; please pray for them and their families.

This week:

• Our Lady & St Edward's Café: Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting, Wednesday 7pm, Sacred Heart Community Centre

• Community Café at Sacred Heart Thursday 12 noon. All welcome • Meditation Group: Thursday 21st March is in the Sacred Heart Community Centre at 7.30 pm – all welcome.

• Scripture Group: Friday 22nd March at 2pm in St Joseph's Convent. In Lent we will be focussing on a book; 'Questioning God' which explores Biblical conversations with God through a series of questions and Scripture readings. Palm Sunday: 'What is it for you here, Elijah?' (1 Kings 19.8-18)

Wednesday Word: This week's link for resources for children on the Gospel: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/follow?pid=MTA101634&v=123.5>

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: Prayer is not always easy; often it demands of us a struggle with God and a recognition of our weakness and frailty before him and his will. Yet it is precisely in that struggle and in our woundedness that we experience the healing power of grace and grow in faith. Let us pray for the gift always to be open to this encounter with God, to the conversion of our hearts, and to the many blessings the Lord wishes to pour upon us.

St Augustine's OFSTED: Back at the end of January, St Augustine's school had a two-day visit from a lovely team of OFSTED inspectors. You can read the full report on our parish website, but some highlights are; The school's values of service, love, forgiveness, courage, justice, compassion and hope sing out from the school walls.....St Augustine's is a calm, welcoming school ... Staff use consistent routines to reinforce their high expectations the school has an ambitious curriculum. Congratulations to Mrs Moore, all staff, Governors and pupils for such a glowing report. The Diocesan Director of Education, Peter Giorgio wrote a lovely letter of congratulations to the school, in which he said; we know that the faith life of St Augustine's school underpins all aspects of school life; how lovely that these have been drawn out and celebrated by Ofsted in the inspection report.

Odd Jobs: we have a few small jobs that require undertaking at our churches. For example: Our Lady and St Edward's – some pews need attention. St Augustine's – fence requires attention Sacred Heart-Rose Garden requires weeding. If you can help out, contact the office for more info and jobs!!

Christ the King Catholic Voluntary Academy, Arnold: is currently recruiting for a Deputy Headteacher, details at Our lady of Lourdes Trust website <https://www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk/work-with-us/>



OUR LENT JOURNEY IN SCHOOL

Thank you to Year 4 who led us in a liturgy on the theme of sacrifice. They began asking us all to make the sign that reminds us of Jesus' sacrifice for us - the sign of the cross. Their choice of scripture told us how God loved the world so much he sacrificed his greatest gift by sending His son in to the world. The children had created a cross sharing the different ways they have made a sacrifice out of love, this included giving money to charity and giving up their own time to help others.



Throughout Lent, the children will be leading us in reflections:
 18th March at 2:30pm – led by Year 5 theme of Journey.
 28th March at 2:30pm – led by Year 6 theme of passion.
 All parents are welcome to attend.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 18 th March	9am (OLSE) 3 – 5pm 6.30pm (SH)	MASS Harriet Ingram RIP Confessions available at Our Lady & St Edward's Reception and Vigil for Oliver Dwyer RIP
Tuesday 19 th March	10am (SA) 11:30 (SH) 3:30-5:30pm 7pm (OLSE)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion Requiem Mass for Oliver Dwyer RIP Confessions available at St Augustine's Stations of the Cross; Our Lady & St Edward's
Wednesday 20 th March	3 – 5pm 6pm Mass; (SH)	MASS Confessions available at Sacred Heart Jane Cunningham's intentions
Thursday 21 st March	10am (SA)	MASS Richard, Jas and Jane Trivett RIP
Friday 22 nd March	9.15 Mass (SH) 7.00 Stations; (SA)	MASS Annie Elizabeth Gately RIP. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross; St Augustine's
Saturday 23 rd March	10am (SA)	VIGIL MASS Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Augustine's. 10 – 11am
Sunday 24 th March Palm Sunday	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11:300am (SA)	MASS Peggy Deacy RIP People of the parish Michael & Zofia Szuciak RIP

Monday 25th March 7pm ALL WELCOME

Women at the Cross

St Augustine's Church

readings-reflection-music

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