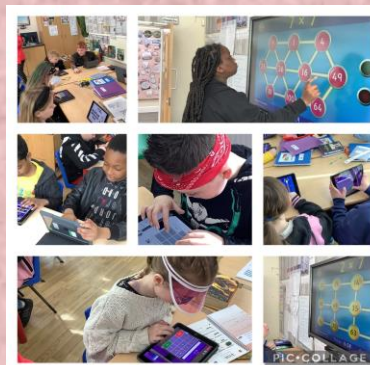




**WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?**

Last week we enjoyed celebrating World Maths Day on Friday. The children were able to come to school dressed as a rock star like their avatar on Times Tables Rockstars. Throughout the day, each class took part in a range of practical activities including counting, multiplying, dividing, investigating patterns, shape, asking and answering questions and investigations.



On Wednesday, some members of year 4 are representing our school as they sing in the choir at St Barnabas Cathedral as we celebrate the Chrism Mass.

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

As always, follow us on X [@elseacademy](https://twitter.com/elseacademy) for the latest news and photos.

**WORD OF THE WEEK: PASSION**



The passion of Jesus Christ is the story of his suffering and death - a story of love, sacrifice, and redemption. Jesus' courage and perseverance give us hope, strength and inspiration to carry on during difficult times. It reminds us that he truly understands us when we struggle and encounter hard times.

<b>Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:40</b>	<b>EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</b>	
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 Reception who achieved above 99% attendance last week. Well done to year 1 and 3 who all had attendance above 98%.**

**School Matters!**



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**



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	
<b>12.02.24</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>		
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**

**As you know, Easter is approaching, so we have decided to challenge your eggcellent creative skills with an egg themed competition. We would like you to create a character (or two!) using a hard boiled egg.**

**Of course, it would not be a competition without a prize. There will be three prizes in each Key Stage up for grabs. The winning egg will receive 100 house points, the runner up will get 50 and third place will get 25. Please bring your eggcilerating creations into school. We are very eggcited!!!**

**Nadal, Serghel, Harlan, Paige, Filip, Hollie-Mae, Jessy and Tommy.  
House Captains**





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## **PARISH NOTICES**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm Our Lady 7 St Edward's

**Holy Week Services:** We need ministers to sign up for which Holy Week services they are able to help at ....readers, welcomers, Eucharistic Ministers etc ....Please 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.

**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.

### **This week:**

- Our Lady & St Edward's Café: Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Thursday 12 noon. All welcome
- Scripture Group: are taking a break until Friday 19th April.

### **Please pray for**

- The repose of the soul of Harry Smith (Funeral Mass Thurs 11th April, 10am, St Augustine's)
- The repose of the soul of Fr Anthony Dolan RIP (Reception 6pm Mon 8th April, Funeral Mass Tues 9th 11.00. St Barnabas Cathedral)

**his week's reflection from Pope Francis:** At the darkest hour of his suffering on the cross, Jesus continues to pray, using the traditional words of the Psalms, identifying himself with the poor and abandoned of our world. In those moments, the crucified Lord takes upon himself the burden of all the sins of the world; of all our sins. To read the full reflection and find more resources at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)

**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/>

**Congratulations to ....** Fr Philip (our former Assistant Priest) who has now formally joined the Diocese of Nottingham. He has settled into his new parish in Leicester well and it is great that he is fully part of our diocese now.



**OUR LENT JOURNEY IN SCHOOL**

Thank you to Year 5 who led us in a liturgy on the theme of journey. They made footprints that led us to our place of prayer and also reminded us we are having our journey with Jesus.

Their choice of scripture told us about Jesus' journey to the cross and the people who were there to help him. In our lives we will sometimes be on a difficult journey and we must remember that Jesus is always with us on that journey.

Please join us on Thursday at 2;30pm as year 6 lead us in our final liturgy as we think about the events of Holy Week.



Thank you to all the parents who complete our feedback form at the end of a liturgy. It is lovely to read all your positive comments. Our children are very skilled at planning and leading a liturgy to the whole school. They confidently take ownership of the celebration. They know this celebration follows the same format as Mass – gather, word, response and mission. The children welcome everyone and share the theme. Just like mass, the mission is the last thing we should hear and go out and do, therefore we will not always have a member of staff speaking at the end.

**MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9am (OLSE)	<b>MASS</b> Mabel Williamson, Frank, Margaret & Harold Jennings RIP
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	7pm (OLSE)	<b>MASS</b> Stations of the Cross; Our Lady & St Edward's
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	11:30am	<b>MASS</b> Chrism Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral. All are welcome
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Holy Thursday</b>	8pm (SA)	<b>MASS</b> Mass of the Lord's Supper Holy Souls RIP
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Good Friday</b>	3pm (OLSE) Service of The Passion 7pm StC	<b>MASS</b> Good Friday Service of the Passion and Veneration  Stations of the Cross & Veneration; St Christopher's. NG2 4AL
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Holy Saturday</b>	10am (SH) 8pm (SH)	<b>VIGIL MASS</b> Blessing of the Easter Food Easter Vigil of the Resurrection
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> March <b>Easter Sunday</b>	9.00am(OLSE) 10.15am (SH) 11:300am (SA)	<b>MASS</b> Peggy Deacy RIP James Finn RIP Thanksgiving for friends of Carol McLoughlin

**HAPPY EASTER!!**

**We break up for our Easter holiday on Thursday 28th March. We wish you all a happy and holy Easter and look forward to seeing you on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.**

