



WHAT IS IN THE NEWS?

There is another busy week coming up in school. This morning our Chaplaincy team will lead us in a Celebration of the Word. We join with many around the country as we take a moment of silence to remember all those who have been affected by war and conflict and pray for peace in our world today. Today Year 1 and 2 continue their Forest School sessions. As the weather is getting colder and wetter, please ensure your child is dressed in appropriate clothes and brings a pair of wellies.

On Wednesday, year 3 and 4 continue to enjoy their choir sessions with Mr Treloar. They are now preparing for their carol service on 3rd December at St Barnabas Cathedral. Further information will be shared with you later this week.

This half term, Year 6 will continue their swimming lessons every Wednesday too.

On Thursday Year 5 continue with their DAART sessions and they will graduate later this term.

On Friday we will have a non uniform day. We are asking for a donation of £1 per child which will be donated to Children in Need. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Evanna for receiving her yellow belt in Martial Arts after passing her grading during half term.

Her mum told me that Evanna is super happy with herself and has been working really hard.

Well done Evanna, everyone at OLSE is proud of you too.



RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Reconciliation and Holy Communion preparation; forms are now available to register for this preparation in Holy Family Parish which will start in January 2025. Forms are to be collected from church and MUST be returned to church or the parish office by the 15th December. Do not return them to school. Forms received after this date will not be accepted. This preparation is open to children who have reached their 7th birthday by 31st August 2024 (are in Year 3 or above in school this academic year). The forms are available at St Augustine's Church, Our Lady & St Edward's Church and Sacred Heart Church.



WORD OF THE WEEK: REMEMBRANCE

Week 32 in Ordinary Time Year B

Word of the Week

Remembrance

First Reading
[1] Kings 17:10-16
Gospel Reading
[1] Mark 12:38-44

Hebrew Bible
[1] Lamentations 3:18-27
New Testament
[1] Luke 22:14-23

In our faith, remembrance is more than just remembering the past; it's about keeping our connection to God and to our loved ones alive. We remember the saints and martyrs who came before us, their examples guiding us on our own journey. We remember the sacrifices of Jesus and we remember those who have passed away, their love and influence continuing to shape us. Remembrance is a way to honour our past, cherish our present, and hope for our future.

Spend time in prayer to remember those people who are important to us and who are no longer with us.

| Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45 | EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Monday Breakfast Club | TB Sport: Cricket (Year 4, 5 and 6) | 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Tuesday Breakfast Club | Music Tuition TB Sport: Gymnastics (Year 1,2 and 3) | All day 3:30 - 4:30 |
| Wednesday Breakfast Club | TB Sport: Dodgeball (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, Miss Bradshaw, continues to monitor attendance daily. She will make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

Our whole school attendance target is above 97%, it is currently 96.5%.

Congratulations to Year 1 and year 2 whose attendance last week was 98.6% and 98%.. Year 5 were close with 97.8%.



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| Week beginning: | School Event | Assemblies/Services | After School |
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| 02.09.24 | 02.09.24: INSET DAY 03.09.24: INSET Day 04.09.24: School opens to pupils | 04.09.24 Welcome back Assembly | |
| 09.09.24 | 11.09 -13.09 Hathersage residential – Year 3 and 4 | 09.09.24 Mass led by Year 6 12.09.24 DAART commences for Year 5 12.09.24 Year 5 Retreat afternoon | |
| 16.09.24 | 16.09.24 Individual and family photographs. | 16.09.24 Whole School Assembly 18.09.24 Choir begins for Year 4 and 5 19.09.24 Year 4 retreat afternoon | EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN |
| 23.09.24 | 27.09.24: International Day | 23.09.24. Whole School Assembly 26.09.24 Year 6 Retreat afternoon 27.09.24 International Day Assembly 2:30pm | 18.09.24 Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket |
| 30.09.24 | 04.10.24 St Francis Feast Day | 30.09.24 Whole School Assembly 30.09.41 St Therese of Liseux House Feast Day | |
| 07.10.24 | 07.10.24 Parent / teacher meetings 11.10.24 World Mental Health Day | 11.10.24: The Selfish Giant Pantomime 08.10.24 Celebration Assembly 2:30pm via Microsoft Teams | |
| 14.10.24 | | 14.10.24 Whole School Assembly 17.10.24 Year 3 Retreat afternoon 18.10.24 Achiever of the Half Term Awards | crosoft T 13.10.21: Harvest Celebration y Year Microsoft Teams |
| 21.10.24 | HALF TERM | | |
| 28.10.24 | HALF TERM | | |
| 04.11.24 | | 04.11.24 Whole School Assembly 08.11.24: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm | |
| 11.11.24 | 11.11.24 Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45am | 11.11.24 Remembrance Day Liturgy 15.11.24: Celebration Assembly | |
| 18.11.24 | Judaism Week in school 21.11.24 Flu vaccinations | 18.11.24 Whole School Assembly 22.11.24 Celebration Assembly | |
| 25.11.24 | 29.11.24 INSET DAY | 25.11.24 Whole School Assembly | |
| 02.12.24 | | 02.12.24 Advent Liturgy led by Year -6 06.12.24: Celebration Assembly | |
| 09.12.24 | 11.12.24 EYFS Nativity 1:30pm 12.12.24 EYFS Nativity 9:30am 13.12.24 Christmas jumper day | 09.12.24 Advent Liturgy led by Year 5 09.12.24 Advent Reconciliation Year 4 -6 | |
| 16.12.24 | 17.12.24 Reception visit the Theatre 18.12.24 Christmas Dinner and party afternoon | 20.12.24 Advent Wreath Service led by Year 3 and 4 | |

PUPIL VOICE

Blessed Cyprian Tansi House collected the most house points during Advent 1 Term. House Captains, Kyanna and Seth organised a games afternoon as their prize. All the children enjoyed their treat afternoon on Friday with Mr Jessop and Mr Whittle outside and finished off with Just dance Musical Statues.



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PARISH NOTICES:

Blessing of graves This wonderful tradition of praying for the dead and prayers at family graves is a great opportunity to remember our loved ones who have died.

- ❖ Redhill Cemetery; Sunday 3rd Nov, 12:45 pm. Meeting at the Cemetery Chapel.
- ❖ Carlton Cemetery; Sunday 10th Nov. 3.00pm. Meet at the Cenotaph.
- ❖ Wilford Hill; Sunday 10th Nov. 1.00pm

Day for Catechists: On Saturday 30th November the Diocese is hosting the first in-person day of reflection and formation for catechists since lockdown! Contact Lee Summers, our Faith Formation coordinator, if you would like to join him in Newark.

Calling all Eucharistic Ministers: meeting for all involved in this ministry. Wednesday 27th November. 6.45 – 7.30pm (after the evening Mass) at Sacred Heart Community Centre. This is for all who distribute Holy Communion during Mass or to the sick and housebound in their homes. It will be a chance for the 8 newly-commissioned Ministers to get to know about the role in our parish and for us all to reflect on this important ministry.

Hayward House Christmas Fair (Nottingham City Hospital): Saturday 7th December 10 am – 2 pm entry £1. Cake stall, raffle, tombola, food refreshments plus lots more.

Cantamus Girls' Choir will be performing at The Good Shepherd Church as part of their 2024 Jubilee Celebrations on Friday 22nd November at 7.30. Tickets available from Good Shepherd Church or www.cantamus.com

New Sunday Missals from CTS <https://www.ctsbooks.org/>

• CTS Missals present the new texts of the Lectionary. Containing the readings and Order of Mass for every Sunday and solemnity of the liturgical cycle, this beautiful hardback missal with two ribbons will support prayer and devotion in all seasons of life. <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal/>

• Helpfully presented in calendar order from the First Sunday of Advent 2024 to Christ the King 2025, this lightweight, paperback Sunday Missal contains everything you need for Sunday Mass and Solemnities all year:

<https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal-2025/>

Job opportunity: at All Saints Parish, West Nottingham for a part-time administrator. 10 hours a week £13.32 per hour Monday & Friday with occasional evening meetings. For further info see the Diocesan website:

www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers

Please pray for: The repose of the soul of ❖ Brendan Finn RIP (Reception and Vigil; Wed 13th Nov. 7.30pm. Requiem Mass 11.30 Thurs 14th. SH). Errol Collins RIP (Funeral Fri 15th Nov. 12.00. OLSE)

This week:

- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's Wednesday 12 noon. All Welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre Thursday 12.00. All welcome
- Meditation Group: next meeting is on Thursday 14th November on zoom at 7.30 pm. Meeting ID: 517630879 Passcode: 6em01w : <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/517630879?pwd=UysvOEIKSTBkVHINMlWtMRDdkMEpUZZz09> ALL WELCOME
- Memorial Mass: Saturday 23rd 10.30 am at Sacred Heart Church followed by refreshments in the community Centre, for those whose relatives and friends have died during the last 12 months.

Wednesday Word: resources for children on the Sunday Gospel - <https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesdayword/gift?pid=MTA101634&v=153.3>

The Annual Novena for the Feast of the Presentation begins on Tuesday 12th at 7 pm in St Augustine's Presbytery. All are welcome to join the Sisters for the 9 days. On Thursday 21st they will renew their vows at the 10am Mass in the Parish Hall at St Augustine's followed by a celebration.

This week's reflection from Pope Francis: In the Gospels, Elijah appears with Moses on the Mount of the Transfiguration, bearing witness to Jesus as the fulfilment of the Old Testament prophecies. Prayer and contemplation sustained the Prophet not only in moments of great success but also in the face of adversity and persecution. Elijah's experience of God in prayer culminated when the Lord appeared to him not in wind and fire, but in a quiet whisper. May we too, like the Prophet, persevere in prayer, strive to discern God's will every day of our lives, and come to experience the consolation of his presence and providential care. To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

Not to be morbid but have you thought about your funeral yet? It is a tremendous help to your family if you are clear about your wishes for your funeral; what you want and what you don't want. It means they are not having to guess what your wishes are, and that you have a funeral in accordance with your faith and preferences. To help with this, at the back of all our churches, there is a small form to take away and complete; 'Instructions for my funeral'. Once completed, keep a copy at home, file one with a pre-paid funeral plan you have and you can also ask the parish office to keep a copy. For advice on filling it out, contact Fr Joe.

Contactless Giving Machines: The Finance Committee looked at the figures for our 3 machines over the last 10 months recently and although the machines are minimally used for Sunday collections, the benefit of Gift Aid is a worthwhile reason for keeping them. For these 10 months the amount raised in Gift Aid for weekly collections and donations has covered the cost of 2 machines. Please do consider using these machines and Gift Aid if you can as this is not possible with cash in the basket. We do also have monthly costs and bank charges to cover. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish

The UK's largest Catholic youth event, Flame's Unstoppable, is happening on Saturday 15th March at London's Wembley Stadium. The Diocesan Youth Service, NDCYS, is offering young people a wonderful opportunity to be involved, with tickets and return coach travel packages. For more information please visit ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/ or email michelle.thomas@ndcys.com



PUPIL LEADERSHIP ROLES

Congratulations to all our children who have been chosen to represent their peers as a member of various pupil groups across school.

Chaplaincy Team

Abi, Alley, Amelia, George, Jeremiah, Javonna, Kyanna, Nicola, Seth, Skyla, Tobechi and Victory.

House Captains

Alley and Skyla

George and Rose

Josh and Victory

Kyanna and Seth

Well-being Champions

Amelia, Axel, Javonna, Jeremiah, Kyanna, Lena, Max, Natan, Nicola, Rose, Skyla, Tobechi and Victory.

Pupil Librarians

Amelia, Cleondra, Emmanuella, Eva-Joy, Evelyn, Freya, Hermela, Jessica, Kian, Pacem, Scarlett and Valerie.

School Council

Chicago, Jessica, Andrei, Alice, Medet, Rebecca, Eva, Majka, Amelia, Evelyn, Abi and Zuzanna

Eco Warriors

Joseph, Maria, Anaija, Milan O, Michelle, Rozalia, Zofia, Mark, Jessica, Emmanuella, Joshua and Jeremiah

E Safety Champions

Adiel, Jospheh, Blanka, Amara, Olly, Evelyn, Emmanuella, Pacem, Zuzanna and Tobechi.

DT Ambassadors

Adiel, Imani, Rozalia, Sinead, Lilly, Zofia, Pacem, Jessica, George and Tobechi.

We look forward to seeing the positive influence you will have on our school throughout this academic year.

MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASSES IN BOLD ARE LIVE STREAMED

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| Monday 11 th November St Martin of Tours | 9am (OLSE) | MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion |
| Tuesday 12 th November St Josaphat | 10am (SA) | MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion |
| Wednesday 13 th November | 6pm (SH) 7:30pm (SH) | MASS Margaret O'Grady RIP (50th anniv) & Bert O'Grady RIP Reception and Vigil for Brendan Finn RIP |
| Thursday 14 th November | 10am (SA) 11:30am (SH) | MASS Amy Flynn's intentions Requiem Mass for Brendan Finn RIP |
| Friday 15 th November | 9:15am (SH) 12pm (OLSE) | MASS Repose of the soul of Joseph Requiem Mass for Errol Collins RIP |
| Saturday 16 th November | 10:30am (SA) | VIGIL MASS Memorial Mass; Holy Souls RIP |
| Sunday 10 th November 33rd Sunday of the Year | 9am(OLSE) 10:15am (SH) 11:30am (SA) | MASS Marry Ken Thi Nguyen RIP Martin Coyle RIP Holy Souls RIP |

CHILDREN IN NEED

Friday 15th November is Children in Need Day. Our House Captains would like to raise some money for this worthwhile charity. They have asked if everyone pays £1 for a non-uniform day. They have also planned some challenges for the children to complete throughout the day.

