



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

Today Year 3 begin their Forest School sessions with Mrs Harrison and Mr Jessop. As we continue to see many seasons in one day please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for these sessions. This includes a waterproof coat with a hood and a pair of wellies to change into. If your child is not dressed in suitable clothing they will miss the session.

This week we also have our first parent / teacher consultation of this academic year. It is important you attend to find out how your child has settled into their new class as well as how they are achieving the academic expectations of their new curriculum. We will ask for your views about school life as well. Please complete the questionnaire and add any comments. You will only have to complete one per family and we appreciate the time you take to complete it as your opinions do matter to us.

On Tuesday, our Chaplaincy Team will lead our school community in a Remembrance Day Celebration of the Word. This will begin at 9:45am in school and parents / family members are welcome to join us.

Later in the week Year 6 continue with their swimming lessons and Year 5 continue with their DAaRT sessions.

As shared widely across our parish churches at the weekend and in the bulletin, we are still looking to recruit Foundation Governors. If you or know anyone who is interested in this important aspect of supporting school improvement please speak to me or email interest to admin@elseacademy.org.uk and we will happily share next steps.



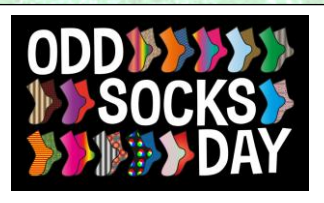
ANTI BULLYING WEEK

This week is Anti-Bullying Week (Monday 10th – Fri 14th November). with the theme of "Power for Good". The week, organized by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, aims to raise awareness and empower young people to speak out against bullying and support one another.

Odd Socks Day is a fun way for children to celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. Children are invited to wear two different, colourful socks with normal school uniform on Wednesday.

Across the week, pupils will take part in a whole-school assembly and age-appropriate lessons that build empathy, kindness and the confidence to speak up.

Thank you to our pupils, staff and wider community for keeping our school respectful, safe and inclusive for every child.



WORD OF THE WEEK: REMEMBRANCE

Week 32 in Ordinary Time Year C

Word of the Week

Remembrance

First Reading
[23] Matthew 23:2, 9-14
Gospel Reading
[1] Luke 22:27-38 or shorter

Hebrew Bible
[23] Lamentations 3:19-27
New Testament
[1] Luke 22:34-23

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: Gymnastics (Year 1, 2 and 3)	3:30 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Cricket (Year 4, 5 and 6)	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.

Last week three classes achieved above our 97% target – Year 4 with 98.4%, Year 1 with 97.7% and Year 3 with 97.1%



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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
1 st September	1 st Sept: INSET DAY 2 nd Sept: INSET Day 3 rd Sept: School opens to pupils	3 rd Sept Welcome back Celebration of the Word 4 th Sept	
8 th September	10 th Sept – 12 th Sept Hathersage residential – Year 3 and 4	8 th Sept: C.O.T.W 10 th Sept Swimming commences for Year 6	
15 th September	15 th Sept – Meet the Teacher 3:20-3:45pm 17 th Sept – Individual and family photos 19 th Sept – Jeans for Genes Non-Uniform day.	15 th Sept Mass led by Year 6 9:15am in church 18 th Sept Year 6 retreat afternoon 19 th Sept: Celebration Assembly	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN 17 th Sept Year 6 Information Meeting at The Becket 18 th Sept Year 6 Information Meeting at Christ the King
22 nd September	24 th September EYFS Phonics meeting for parents 2:30pm 26 th Sept: International Day	22 nd Sept: C.O.T.W 25 th Sept: Year 1 Retreat afternoon 26 th Sept International Day Assembly 2:30pm	22 nd Sept – Year 6 Information Meeting 6pm.
29 th September	3 rd Oct St Francis Feast Day 3 rd Oct: Fairtrade Tuck Shop	29 th Sept C.O.T.W 1 st Oct St Therese of Liseux House Feast Day 3 rd Oct – St Francis Hub Mass 3 rd Oct: Celebration Assembly	
6 th October	10 th Oct: World Mental Health Day	6 th Oct: C.O.T.W 8 th Oct: Harvest C.O.T.W led by Year 5	
13 th October		13 th Oct St Edward Feast Day Mass in church 9:15am 17 th Oct: Achiever of the Half Term Awards	
20 th October	HALF TERM		
27 th October	HALF TERM		
3 rd November	6 th Nov: Flu Immunisations 7 th Nov – Fairtrade Tuckshop	3 rd Nov: C.O.T.W 7 th Nov: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
10 th November	Anti Bullying Week 11 th Nov Remembrance Day Liturgy 9:45am	11 th Nov: Remembrance Day Liturgy 14 th Nov: House Point Prize afternoon	
17 th November	Judaism Week in school 21 st Nov Youth Fun Day	17 th Nov C.O.T.W	23 rd Nov: Feast of Christ the King. School lead parish Mass 9am.
24 th November		24 th Nov C.O.T.W	
1 st December	5 th Dec Fairtrade Tuckshop	1 st Dec Advent C.O.T.W led by Year -6 5 th Dec: Celebration Assembly	
8 th December	11 th Dec EYFS Nativity 9:30am 12 th Dec Christmas jumper day	8 th Dec: Advent Mass in church 9:15am	
15 th December	17 th Dec Christmas Dinner and party afternoon 19 th Dec INSET Day	15 th Dec Advent C.O.T.W. led by Year 5 18 th Dec: Achievers of the term awards 18 th Dec Christmas Carol Service led by Year 3 and 4	

PUPIL VOICE

Nursery children had fun with sparklers. We spoke about being safe, keeping away from others when holding the sparkler, wearing gloves and not touching the end of the hot sparkler. Well done for being very sensible.



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PARISH NOTICES:

First Holy Communion Meeting: if you have registered your child onto our first Holy Communion Programme, our first meetings are at 7 pm next week for PARENTS ONLY: Monday 10th Our Lady & St Edward's - 7 pm Tuesday 11th St Augustine's - 7 pm Wednesday 12th Sacred Heart - 7 pm

November is the Month dedicated to prayer for the Holy Souls. If you wish your loved ones who have gone before us to be remembered at Masses for the Holy Souls, then please make a list of their names and place your list in the holy Souls envelopes at the back of the church. It is customary that a Mass offering is made, and this should be placed in the same envelope.

Social Group meeting: our next meeting to organise social events for the parish will be on Tuesday 18th November 7 pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre. The coordination of events is a necessity over our 3 churches, please do come along or send an email with suggestions and any offers of help. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE. ALL WELCOME.

LOTTERY WINNERS: First Prize - M Mulholland, £100 second Prize E Queally £60. Congratulations!! We would like to have a third prize but need another 12 people. It is £5 per month payable by standing order (or £60 for the whole year). Either process on-line with reference 'lottery' or complete a form from church. Thank you.

Holy Family Memorial Mass: we will celebrate a Memorial Mass to remember all those who have died in the past year on Wednesday 26th November at Sacred Heart Church at 6 pm. We will be inviting families along who have had a funeral in our churches, but everyone is welcome to come and remember loved ones. Refreshments will be served in St Joseph of Peace convent afterwards.

Foodbank requirements this week: sugar, rice pudding, coffee, rice, shower gel, toothpaste, washing up liquid and shampoo.

Holy Family Raffle: One of our major fundraising events is our Christmas raffle. Tickets are £1 each and are in books of 5, now available from church or the office. Please try and sell them to family and friends. Raffle prizes required. Thank you.

Are you getting married next year? If so, please contact Fr Chris as we require at least 6 months' notice and you will need to attend a Marriage Course. The dates of the Marriage course, held at Sacred Heart Community Centre are: 18th & 25th January and 4th February 2026.

Please pray for: John Bond who has died recently, funeral arrangements to come.

This week:

- Blessing of Graves: Sunday 9th at Carlton Cemetery. Meet at the chapel at 2 pm.
- Vietnamese meal at the Greyfriars 2 pm Sunday 9th
- Live simply meeting: Tuesday 11th November 7.30 OLSE café
- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's this Wednesday: 12 – 3 • Unlocking the Bible: 6.30 – 7.30 pm in Our Lady & St Edward's Café Wednesday 12th. All Welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre this Thursday 12 – 3 pm. All welcome.
- Meditation Group: our next meeting is this Thursday 13th November on Zoom. Meeting ID: 517630879 Passcode: 6em01w at 7.30 pm. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/517630879?pwd=UysvOEIKSTBkVHlNMWtMRDdkMEpUZZ09AllWelcome>

Wednesday Word: Resource on this week's Gospel for children <https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/goodnews?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Unlocking the Bible: Holy Family Parishioners are invited to a three session 'crash' course looking at how and why the 'Greatest Story Ever Told' came to be written and to consider in what sense the Bible is accepted as the true 'Word of God'. Is love the key to unlocking the Bible? Hosted by Peter Bruccoleri, at Our Lady and St Edward's Community Cafe, join him on Wednesdays, 12th, 19th, and 26th of November, 6.30- 7.30 pm, to find out. It might just change the way you live out your faith.

The Presentation Sisters 9 Day Novena begins next Wednesday the 12th. November at 7 pm in the Sisters House at 7 pm. We pray over the nine days until their Feast Day on the 21st November. You are welcome to join us in St. Augustine's. Parish

Music Practice: Monday 24th November at 7.30pm at Sacred Heart. You are very welcome to join us.

Blessing of Graves: Bulwell (Northern) Cemetery. Sunday 16th Nov. 2pm. Gathering at the chapel. Fr Joe Wheat will also bless graves at Highwood Cemetery on request on the day. Wilford Hill Cemetery - On Sunday 16th November. Meet with Fr John McCay outside the Cemetery Chapel at 2pm

Advent Retreat: Figures of Advent: Join in for a day of reflection with the prophets, Mary, Joseph & John the Baptist. Sat 29 Nov 2025 10 AM–4 PM (Mass 3 PM) | Presentation Sisters Convent, Matlock DE4 3FT Suggested donation £10 | Bring a packed lunch | Friends of Nano | Tea, coffee & biscuits provided Register: associates@pbvmengland.co.uk

St Augustine's Church Hall funding meeting: Tuesday 25th November at 6.30 pm in St Augustine's Church Hall. Paul from the Diocese will be helping us through the process of applying for grants. We require a core group of people who want to see a building used for Mission in the community. Do you live locally? Could you let us know what you think it could be used for? What do you think the area needs? We need as many comments as possible to help us build a picture of the area's needs.

School Governors are required at all our schools: on our website is the report for St Augustine's which Headteacher Mrs Moore has asked us to share. See poster in church or on the website and do contact the schools if you are interested.

<https://ccen.co.uk/school-governors-required/>

Religious items for Sale in our shops: we are now stocking Christmas gifts, cards & candles. The stall at Our Lady & St Edward's will be relocated to the Community Space.

Job Advert: For Parish Administrator at The Parish of All Saints, Aspley, Nottingham (NG8 3EP) 10 hours per week, Mondays and Fridays, £14.17 per hour. For an informal conversation about the role contact Canon Stanley Ofoegbu stanley.ofoegbu@dioceseofnottingham.uk or for an application form email office@dioceseofnottingham.uk The closing date is Monday 17th November



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

all the children who recently achieved our Achiever of the Half Term award. Enthusiastic, considerate, amazing example, can do attitude, confident, inquisitive and hard working are just some of the many words and phrases used to describe you all. Well done Elta, Saoirse, Barron, Princess, Andrei, Kendall, Lou and Freya.



Bronze Award (100 house points)

Reception – Eburn, Clara, Lanore, Janelle and Saoirse.

Year 1 – Anna, Barron, Kennelia, Leo, Natasha and Witold.

Year 2 – David, Iveira, Janelle, Jessica, Joseph, Michael, Princess and Tiffany

Year 3 – Anna, Emmanuel, Imelda, Jeremy, Jolie, and Joyce

Year 4 – Byrian, Chi An, Ebube, Lena, Medet, Nell, Rebecca

Year 5 – Bryan, Majka, Orlaith

House Points for Advent 1.

Over 12,000 house points were collected over last half term. The results are.

St Alban – 3,156 points

St Joan of Arc – 3,151 points

Blessed Cyprian Tansi – 3,066 points

St Therese of Liseux - 2,841 points

St Alban House will enjoy their prize afternoon on Friday

Tap dancing success

During half term Kendall in Year 4 participated in dancing competitions. She achieved different medals including silver and gold in novice and open events in different types of dancing. Huge congratulations, maybe we will see you on the stage in years to come.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 10 th November St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor	9am (OLSE)	MASS Mary Doherty RIP
Tuesday 11 th November St Martin of Tours, Bishop	10am (SA) 7pm (SH)	MASS Service of the Word & Holy Communion Reception of the Body of Lily Tracey RIP
Wednesday 12 th November St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	11am (SH)	MASS Requiem Mass for Lily Tracey RIP
Thursday 13 th November	10am (SA)	MASS HOLY SOULS
Friday 14 th November	9:15am (SH)	MASS Deceased members of the Power family
Saturday 15 th November	9am	MASS
Sunday 16 th November Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	9am (OLSE) 10:15am (SH) 11:30am (SA)	MASS Thomas Vu & Caterina Hoang RIP For the People Mary Fitzmaurice RIP

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING

As shared on Friday, the information meeting for parents who have enrolled their child to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion has a change of time.

The meeting will now take place at 7pm tonight (10th November) and will conclude by 8pm
This meeting is for parents only so please ensure you have arranged appropriate childcare.



First Holy Communion