

# Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

Happy New Year! I hope that you and your families had a peaceful and joyous Christmas break. Our thoughts and prayers are with those in our local community whose houses were affected by the recent floods and we hope that with help and support things can be sorted as soon as possible.

It was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Tuesday and to hear about their Christmas excitement. We began the week together by reflecting on the life of Jesus, in particular his baptism and thinking about the effects of the Holy Spirit on our lives. We have also had the pleasure of receiving some new children into Nursery and Year 1 and we very much hope that they and their families feel welcome and supported as they begin their journeys at Our Lady's.

On Monday Father Teddy will celebrate Mass in school. You are all very welcome to come and join us at 9:30am in the school hall.

Have a lovely weekend.  
Mrs Burch



## Attendance Matters

Today you should have all received our first Attendance Newsletter. This is designed to help us work together to ensure the best attendance possible for each child. We are also writing to some parents, where attendance is becoming or is already a cause for concern to look at ways in which we can work together to improve it.

**Good attendance means...**

Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days



**Excellent Attendance!** Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best they can.

Pupils with this attendance are more likely to achieve their targets at the end of the year.

Pupils with this attendance are missing approximately a month (20 days) of school per year and may fall behind in Maths, English and other subjects; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best.

These pupils are missing approximately 6 weeks of school a year. It will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best.

Pupils are missing a day for every week of school.  
It will be almost impossible to keep up with their work and achieve their best.



## This coming Sunday's Gospel 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Cycle B)

### John 1: 35-42

Jesus, the Lamb of God, invites us to 'come and see'. When we see Him for who He is, we receive peace, joy and life to the full.

In this Gospel reading, John the Baptist's disciples are curious about Jesus and He invites them to come and see for themselves. You might like to talk to your child/ren about how we can learn about Jesus at church, through Bible stories and personal prayer.



[Wednesday Word](#)

Catholic Life,  
Prayer and RE at  
Our Lady's

## The Year of Jubilee 2025

The Holy Father has decided that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, something which happens every 25 years.

The theme is "Pilgrims of Hope", and it will be a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of COVID-19 pandemic, and a climate crisis.

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a **Year of Prayer** by Pope Francis. It started during Advent. It is to be a year for prayer, rather than about prayer, during which we will be encouraged to deepen our own prayer life and love of God and to accompany others in theirs.

There is a particular focus on the *Our Father*, and this presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer.

### The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your Kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.*

*Give us today  
our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.*

## Gospel Virtues – **Compassionate** and **Loving**

Pupils at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School are growing to be...

**compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and **loving** by their just actions and forgiving words... by being **compassionate** and **loving** in the way pupils are treated, especially when a pupil is in trouble; and by opening pupils' eyes to those who suffer poverty, injustice or violence.

## MESSAGE FROM FATHER TEDDY



The Children's Liturgy will resume  
on  
Sunday 14 January  
in  
Princethorpe College Chapel  
during the  
10.30am Mass.

The Liturgy will be lead by Clare Hill.

Fr Teddy looks forward to seeing  
you again.

## ABSENCE

Following our absence policy – please could parents report all absences by 10am on each day of absence; stating the actual reason for the absence and when your child is likely to return to school. No reason will result in an unauthorised absence.

Parents are also reminded that children may not return to school for 48 hours after the last incident of sickness &/or diarrhoea.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation in keeping all our children and staff healthy.



**SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY**

**It's A  
WIN-WIN  
Situation!**

★ **BOOST School Funds**  
★ **WIN up to £25,000**



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[YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play](https://YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play)  
and search for: Our Lady's Primary

Supporters must be 18 years of age or older.

**NHS**



102,000 children  
starting school in  
England are at risk  
of catching measles

Check your child is up


to date with their

MMR vaccinations



Stars Of The Week

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	Nursery/ Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Back next week						

Attendance & Punctuality  
Whole School

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Back next week– Please see Attendance Newsletter sent home today						

Next School Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.30am	Mass in School with Father Teddy Parents Welcome
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3.15 - 4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3.15-4.30pm	Music Lessons with Mr Roe LEGO Club
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3:15-5pm	
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	3.15 -5pm	IRISH DANCING
Sunday Mass St Anné s Wappenbury Princethorpe Chapel	8:30am 10.30am Holyday Masses as announced Confessions as announced	<a href="https://stanneswappenbury.wordpress.com/weekly-bulletin/">https://stanneswappenbury.wordpress.com/weekly-bulletin/</a>

School Lottery

Please consider signing up if you have t already.  
<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe>



For up to date information and sharing what we are up to –  
keep an eye on our  feed  
@OurPrincethorpe

St Anne's Parish, Wappenbury with Our Lady of the Angels', Princethorpe

January 2024

To fulfil the required criteria for the General Data Protection Regulations that came into force on 25 May 2018, please read on and complete accordingly. Fr Teddy needs your consent to contact you directly.

1. If you wish your details to be retained at St Anne's parish and if you are content that Fr Teddy contacts you directly (rather than through Our Lady's School), please complete the form below, so that your information may be retained electronically and in paper form at St Anne's Presbytery.
2. Even if you have previously done this, it will help keep records up to date if you complete again and return

#### Personal Information Record

Please can you complete the form below in BLOCK capitals and return by EMAIL

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's First name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

House name/number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

Landline telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

(BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE)

How we use your information: All information is held securely on the Presbytery database and will be processed fairly and lawfully in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Please tick one or more of the boxes below if you are happy for us to contact you by:

post ☐ email ☐ text/SMS ☐ telephone ☐

Please tick the box/es if you are happy for your data to be used for:

News about parish events (including sacraments) ☐ Fundraising to support the parish ☐

If you have any questions or concerns about how your information is used or you wish to opt-out at any time from the above, please let us know, email to Father Teddy at fatherted2017@hotmail.com

Please print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_