

Newsletter

9th February 2024

Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

We have come to the end of another busy half term. It may have only been short, but lots of great learning experiences have been had and it has been great to see the progress the children have been making.



We have also been learning how to stay safe online during 'Safer Internet Day'. [Click here](#) for useful advice for parents.

Thank you for all your support this half term in promoting excellent attendance. This will continue to be a focus moving forward, alongside the benefits of punctuality. Just a reminder that the gate will be locked at 8:55am prompt and any late-comers will need to come through the main office.

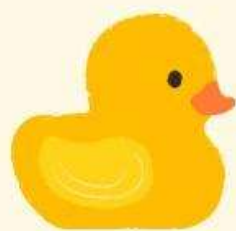
Have a lovely half term break and we will see you all on Monday 19th February.
Mrs Burch

A huge thank you to all those who helped to organise the PTA Valentine Cake Sale yesterday. The baked goods were delicious and the children really enjoyed the experience. Thank you also to the parents for sending in donations to help with the fundraising.



PTA

PTA ANNUAL DUCK RACE 2024



THE DUCKS ARE COMING..
SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY 13TH APRIL
11:30AM - 2PM



This week we have all been learning about mental health as part of 'Children's Mental Health week'. [Click here](#) for information to further support your child at home.

Punctuality Matters



08:55

This coming Sunday's Gospel 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Cycle B)

Mark 1: 40-45

In this Sunday's Gospel we hear the account of Jesus healing a leper. It helps us to reflect on those who might be or feel excluded and invites us to follow Jesus' example of compassion and welcome.



"If you want to," he said, "you can cure me." Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him. "Of course I want to!" He said. "Be cured!" And the leprosy left him at once...

Mark 1:41

[Wednesday Word](#)

Jesus,
You are full of compassion and love. Open
our eyes to look with compassion. Fill our
hearts with love and care for others. Guide
our actions so that we help those in need.
Amen

Catholic Life,
Prayer and RE at
Our Lady's

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Among the beautiful and solemn ceremonies of the Catholic Church is the gathering of the faithful on Ash Wednesday.



This special day begins our Lenten journey. It is the start of 40 days of prayer, penance and almsgiving as we prepare ourselves to celebrate the death resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Mass : Wednesday 14th
February 7:00pm St Anne's
Wappenbury**

This year during Lent we will once again be taking part in the Big Lent Walk to raise money for CAFOD. Look out for more details to follow.

**THE BIG LENT
WALK**

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.

CONTACTS IN SCHOOL

Parents are requested to contact their child's class teacher in the first instance for all matters.

Class Dojo is our most effective means of communication.

All staff will do their best to respond in a timely manner, which may be the following school day.

Additionally, for queries regarding Finances and ParentPay – please contact the school office.

Before & Afterschool Club – B4A Club via class dojo or the school office.

For queries regarding any extra curricular activity/club which is led by non-school staff – please contact the club directly. Such as;

Irish Dancing – please contact Declan McHale directly.
Hot Shots Basketball – please contact Mark directly

Parents are reminded that staff well-being is high on our priority and would request parents consider the work-home life balance of staff when awaiting a response.

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.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER TEDDY



The Children's Liturgy will be offered on the following Sundays:

25 February
3 March
10 March
17 March
21 April
28 April

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.



SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY

It's A WIN-WIN Situation!

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

TICKETS £1 EACH

To start supporting, visit:
YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play
and search for: Our Lady's Primary

Supporters must be 18 years of age or older.

LATENESS

School starts at 8.55 a.m. every day. Children need to be in their class line at 8.55 a.m. so that they can start their lessons promptly.

The gates will be locked at 8.55am promptly. Children who arrive late are greatly disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. This means that they are often unsettled and confused about tasks. Their teacher will not always be able to re explain work. It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young. It is essential that you ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others.

Following current NHS guidance parents are encouraged to cut up cherry tomatoes and grapes as above - if included in children's' lunchboxes, to prevent chocking hazard.



SCHOOL PARKING

Following numerous requests from neighbours and our bus company parents are reminded to park safely and considerately at drop off and collection.

A gentle reminder that parents are not permitted on the school staff car park without prior written consent from the headteacher.

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

For more information and guidance regarding Measles Please visit:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2024/01/22/what-to-do-if-you-think-your-child-has-measles-and-when-to-keep-them-off-school/>

THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND

BOYS AND GIRLS FUN FOOTBALL CAMP
WOLSTON LEISURE CENTRE, WARWICKSHIRE
12th - 16th FEBRUARY 2024, 9AM - 3PM (early drop off available)
SUITABLE FOR AGES 4 - 13 YEARS
£19 A DAY OR £76 FOR THE WEEK



For more information please contact:
 E: nick.gray@thefootballplayground.academy
 T: 07485293283
 F: The Football Playground
 Or <http://thefootballplayground.academy>



- MEDALS FOR ALL
- SHOOTING STATIONS
- SHOOT-OUT COMPETITION
- MATCHES
- TOURNAMENTS
- PRIZES TO BE WON
- FUN AND FREEDOM FOR ALL
- AND MORE



April 2024 Meal Price Increase

Unfortunately, due to rising costs, From 1st April 2024, the cost of school meals will increase by 25 pence therefore; the new cost of a school meal will be £2.73per meal (£13.65 per week). Children in Reception, Years 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive Universal Free school meals.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS



School meals are free for lots of families, check if you are eligible to apply!

So much more than lunch...

A free school meal:

- creates healthy eating habits
- improves learning and behaviour
- saves money and time
- helps schools get extra funding

Did you know that claiming free school meals means that your child will get access to free school holiday activities and food?



To find out more and for help to apply for free school meals, please contact: freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk or call 01926 359189



Can I apply?

Your child could be eligible for free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support or Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support from National Asylum Support Service (NASS)
- Guarantee Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

You should still apply if your child is aged 4-7 and receives a universal free school meal

Find out more and apply at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/fsm



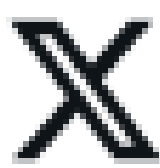
Next School Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity
Mon 19 th Feb	9.15am	Whole School Mass All Welcome
Tues 20 th Feb	3.15 - 4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball
Wed 21 st Feb	3.15-4.30pm	Music Lessons with Mr Roe LEGO Club
Thurs 22 nd Feb	3:15-5pm	
Fri 23 rd Feb	3.15 -5pm	IRISH DANCING
<u>Sunday Mass</u> St Anne's Wappenbury Princethorpe Chapel	8:30am 10.30am Holyday Masses as announced Confessions as announced	https://stanneswappenbury.wordpress.com/weekly-bulletin/

School Lottery

Please consider signing up if you haven't already.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe>

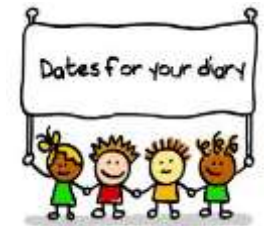


For up to date information and sharing what we are up to –
keep an eye on our  feed
@OurPrincethorpe



OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Key Dates
Spring 2023



February 2024

Monday 5th February

Ricky Dance Workshop

Thursday 8th February

PTA Valentine Biscuit Sale

Half Term

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 14th February

Monday 19th February
9:30am

Whole School Mass- All welcome

March 2024

Wednesday 6th March

YR/6 NHS Weight and Height Check

Wednesday 6th March
1.30pm - 6.30pm

Parents' Afternoon/Evening

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Friday 8th March
2:00pm

EYFS Mothering Sunday Afternoon Tea

Wednesday 13th March

Class Liturgy (Y5/6 Parents invited)

Thursday 14th March
3:15-5:00pm

KS2 Easter Disco

Friday 15th March
6:00pm

Time To Shine

Wednesday 20th March
3:15-4:30pm

KS1 Easter Disco

Thursday 21st March
1:30pm

Easter Bonnet Parade

Teacher Training Day

Friday 22nd March

Easter Holidays

Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April

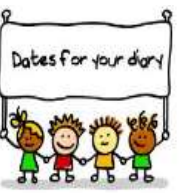
HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday Maundy Thursday Good Friday Easter Sunday





OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



Key Dates

Summer 2023

April 2024

Saturday 13th April
11:30am-2:00pm

PTA Duck Race

Monday 15th April

Whole School Mass - All welcome

May 2024

Wednesday 1st May

Class Liturgies (Y3/4 Parents invited)

Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May

Friday 24th May
6:00pm

PTA Quiz Night

Half Term

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

June 2024

Wednesday 5th June - Friday 7th June

Y5/6 Alton Castle Residential

Monday 10th June

Whole School Mas - All welcome

July 2024

Tuesday 9th July
12:00pm onwards

Sports Day and Family Picnic

Friday 12th July
3:15-5:00pm

PTA Whole School Summer Disco

Friday 12th July
5:00-6:00pm

Year 6 Leavers' Party

Monday 15th July

Year 5/6 Production

Wednesday 17th July

Year 6 Leaver's Mass

End of Term

Friday 19th July 2024



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

February 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: _____