



Newsletter

23rd February 2024

Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

It has definitely been an eventful start to the new half term. Thank you for your continued support as we navigate the challenges that the brook and road are creating for us. Please be assured that we are actively communicating with various organisations to try to come up with a solution to the problem.

Fortunately, the week did start off far more peacefully with a whole school Mass celebrated by Fr Teddy. It was great to welcome some family members once again and remember that you are all more than welcome to join us in the future.

We are busy in school with our Lenten journey in preparation for Easter. This week, the children have brought home an envelope to collect any loose change for the Fr Hudson charity. For more information about the charity please click here. We are also asking the children to be creative and record their Lenten promises on a rock, stone or piece of wood.

Please could these be sent into school to form part of our outdoor display.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Burch



Punctuality Matters



PTA ANNUAL DUCK RACE 2024



THE DUCKS ARE COMING..
SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY 13TH APRIL 11:30AM - 2PM Thursday 14th March 3:15-5:00pm KS2 Easter Disco

Wednesday 20th March 3:15-4:30pm KS1 Easter Disco





This coming Sunday's Gospel 2nd Sunday of Lent

(Cycle B)

Mark 9:2-10

We will hear in this Sunday's Gospel that Peter,
James and John are led by Jesus up on a high
mountain to pray. There Jesus was transfigured.
His clothing shone dazzling white and he was
shown in his divinity alongside Elijah and Moses.
God then calls down just like in Jesus' baptism
and proclaims "This is my son, whom I love. Listen
to Him". This miracle is so important for it is when
God shows us that Jesus is the true bridge
between Heaven and Earth.



Wednesday Word

Dear Jesus,
we thank You and praise You for the many
ways You reveal Yourself to us. Through
contemplation of the mystery of Your
Transfiguration, help us grow closer to You
Amen

Catholic Life, Prayer and RE at Our Lady's

BIG LENT WALK

On Tuesday 19th March will once again be taking part in the Big Lent Walk to raise money for CAFOD.

Children and staff will attempt to collectively walk 20KM around the perimeter of the school throughout the day.

Please click here for our Just Giving page to help us to raise as much money as we can.



Gospel Virtues – Faith-filled and Hopeful

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

Faith-filled in their beliefs and **Hopeful** for the future... by passing on the living and **Faith-filled** tradition of Jesus Christ; by having persevering faith in the pupils, and by encouraging them in turn, to have faith and **Hope** in themselves and others.

For your information

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.



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

Check your child is up

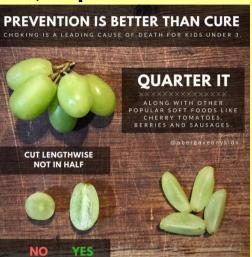
to date with their

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-yourchild-has-measles-and-when-to-keepthem-off-school/

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.

THE FOOTBALL PLAYGROUND

BOYS AND GIRLS FUN FOOTBALL CAMP WOLSTON LEISURE CENTRE, WARWICKSHIRE 12th – 16th FEBRUARY 2024, 9AM – 3PM (early drop off available)

- FUN AND FREEDOM FOR ALL





For more information please contact: E: nick.gray@thefootballplayground.academy

T: 07485293283

F: The Football Playground Or http://thefootballplayground.academy

For your information

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 <u>reason</u> 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.

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.







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)

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



You should still

apply if your

child is aged 4-7

and receives a

universal free

school meal



Next School Week at a Glance

Date	Time	Activity	
Mon 25 th Feb	9.15am		
Tues 26th Feb	3.15 - 4.15pm	Hotshots Basketball	
Wed 27 th Feb	3.15-4.30pm	Music Lessons with Mr Roe LEGO Club	
Thurs 28th Feb	3:15-5pm		
Fri 29 th Feb	3.15 -5pm	IRISH DANCING	
Sunday Mass 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 X feed @OurPrincethorpe



OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



Key Dates

Spring 2023

February 2024				
Monday 5 th 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 19 th February 9:30am	Whole School Mass- All welcome				
March 2024					
Wednesday 6 th March	YR/6 NHS Weight and Height Check				
Wednesday 6 th March 1.30pm – 6.30pm	Parents' Afternoon/Evening				
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day				
Friday 8 th March 2:00pm	EYFS Mothering Sunday Afternoon Tea				
Wednesday 13 th March	Class Liturgy (Y5/6 Parents invited)				
Thursday 14 th March 3;15-5:00pm	KS2 Easter Disco				
Friday 15 th March 6:00pm	Time To Shine				
Wednesday 20th March 3:15-4:30pm	KS1 Easter Disco				
Thursday 21 st 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











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Key Dates





PRINCETHORPE	nmer 2023		
Ар	oril 2024		
Saturday 13 th April 11:30am-2:00pm	PTA Duck Race		
Monday 15 th April	Whole School Mass - All welcome		
M	ay 2024		
Wednesday 1 st May	Class Liturgies (Y3/4 Parents invited)		
	nk Holiday day 6 th May		
Friday 24 th May 6:00pm	PTA Quiz Night		
	alf Term May - Friday 31 st May		
Ju	ine 2024		
Wednesday 5 th June - Friday 7 th June	Y5/6 Alton Castle Residential		
Monday 10th June	Whole School Mas - All welcome		
Ju	uly 2024		
Tuesday 9 th July 12:00pm onwards	Sports Day and Family Picnic		
Friday 12 th July 3:15-5:00pm	PTA Whole School Summer Disco		
Friday 12 th July 5:00-6:00pm	Year 6 Leavers' Party		
Monday 15 th July	Year 5/6 Production		
Wednesday 17 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Mass		
Fnd	of Term		

End of Term Friday 19th July 2024



For your information

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 for	m below in BLOCK capita	als and return by E	MAIL	
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: A fairly and lawfully in accordance		•	ytery database and will l	e processed
Please tick one or more of the b	•	• • •	ct you by:	
Please tick the box/es if you are	happy for your data to b	e used for:		
News about parish events (inclu	ding sacraments) \Box	Fundraising to	support the parish \Box	
If you have any questions or cor the above, please let us know, e	•		•	: any time fron
Please print name:				
Signed:		Date:		