

Newsletter

8th March 2024

Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

This week got off to a great start when two of our Year 6 children competed in the Country Cross Country championships. A huge 'well done' to Jessica and Alfred. We are all incredibly proud of you.



On Thursday we were amazed by all of the ingenious costumes the staff and children came up with for World Book Day. We have taken a photo of everybody to make our very own dictionary. There were also a whole variety of unusual reading place photos and the entries for the book in a shoebox were remarkable. Thank you so much not only for your support with the costumes and competition entries, but also for your generosity of donations for books and to those of you who have purchased items from our Amazon wish list.

EYFS have been busy this afternoon hosting afternoon tea for Mothering Sunday. I hope that you all have time to celebrate over the weekend and enjoy time as a family.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Burch

PTA

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

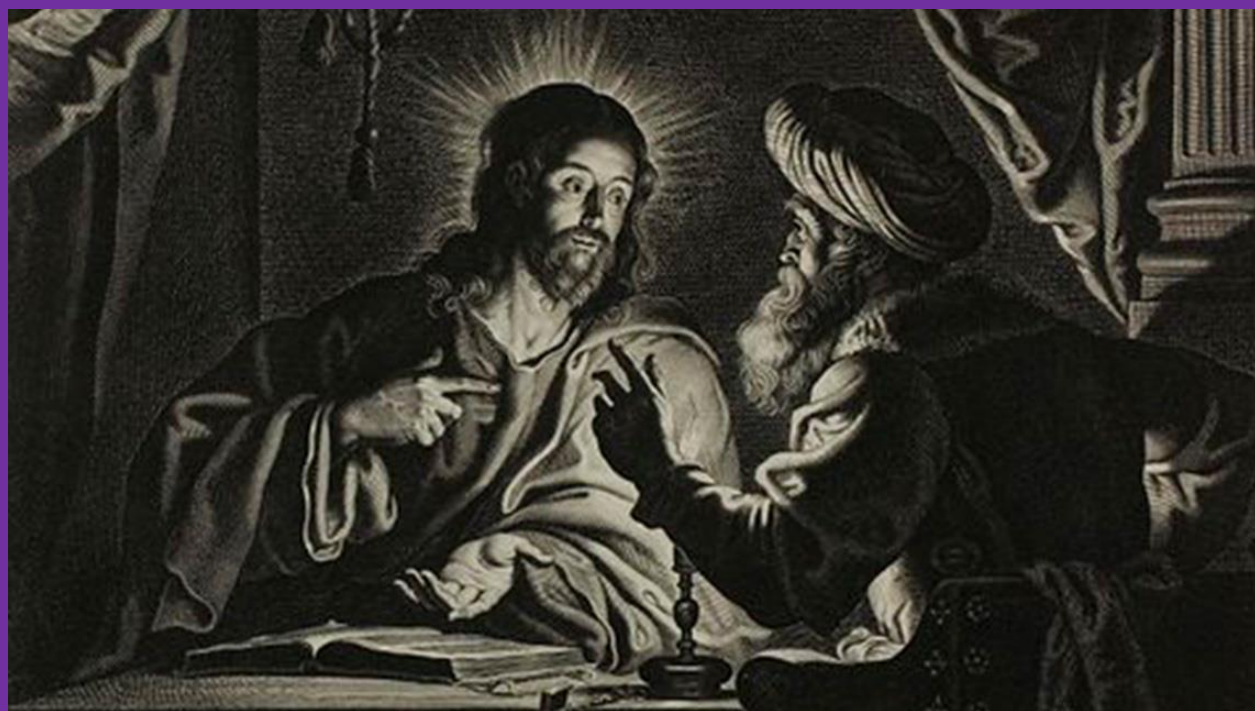


This coming Sunday's Gospel 4th Sunday of Lent

(Cycle B)

John 3: 14-21

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read about the 'light' that has come into the world. It reminds us that God loves us so much that he gave his only Son for us. Jesus' great act of love of self-giving, on the cross, has paved the way for us to share in the true richness of God's love in this life, and also in the life to come.



God our Father,
Thank you for being close to us!
Help me to make time to be in your presence.
Show me how I can share your love and
presence with others.
Amen

[Wednesday Word](#)

Catholic Life,
Prayer and RE at
Our Lady's

Mothering Sunday

Mothering Sunday is always on the Fourth Sunday of Lent and you may find yourself wondering why this might be. This tradition has been around since medieval times. Mothering Sunday hasn't always been a day where we buy our mums flowers and cards and help out around the house all day so that she doesn't have to do anything. It was originally a day where people would visit their "mother" church. The mother church would have been the place where you were baptised: the local parish church or cathedral. In more recent times people working in the service of others where given the day off to go and visit their mother church. This was usually something that people did as a whole family and was often one of the only chances for the whole family to get together. It then became part of the tradition for people to go and see their mothers on this day as well as go to their mother church. This eventually evolved into the current traditions of giving mothers gifts on Mothering Sunday.



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.

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.

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.

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.

8th March 2024

For your information

MESSAGE FROM FATHER TEDDY



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

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.

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**

**TICKETS
£1 EACH**



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

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

Sarah Cooke School Of Dance



SCSD Dancer
Photo courtesy of Andy McGarty

Ballet, Tap & Disco/Street Dance
Classes for children & Teenagers
(Pre-school Ballet from age 2)

Our classes are held in Bubbenhall near
Leamington Spa & Wellesbourne

Contact Sarah Cooke
sarah.cooke77@btinternet.com
or 07751 470318

GO AHEAD, GET DANCING!

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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 £2.73 per 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



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 97%

| Year R | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 90% | 96% | 100% | 92% | 99% | 97% | 97% |

Next School Week at a Glance

| Date | Time | Activity |
|---|--|---|
| Mon 11 th March | 9.15am | |
| Tues 12 th March | 3.15 - 4.15pm | Hotshots Basketball |
| Wed 13 th March | 9.15am | Music Lessons with Mr Roe Y5/6 Class Liturgy Parents welcome |
| Thurs 14 th March | 3:15-5pm | KS2 Easter Disco |
| Fri 15 th March | 3.15 -5pm 6pm | Irish Dancing with Declan McHale TIME TO SHINE |
| <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.

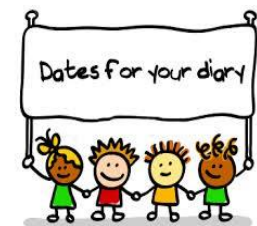
<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/our-ladys-primary-school-princethorpe>

 For up to date information and sharing what we are up to – keep an eye on our X 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: _____