



### Important Information

### Dates for Your Diary

Spring half term - Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February

### **SENDCo Contact**

Please contact Mrs Allen for any questions, advice or support regarding your child's SEN needs. Please note, our SENDCo is available by appointment only. Please contact – sendco@olss.liverpool.sch.uk

#### School Uniform

Uniform is an important part of the school's identity and therefore our uniform policy must be adhered to unless there are special circumstances like non-uniform days. Please see our school website on this policy to clarify our expectations for students and parents. If you are unsure if a piece of uniform is acceptable, please consult school. School tracksuits are for Wellness Wednesdays only. PE kits to be brought in on designated PE days and not worn to school. Thank you for your support.

#### Protected Characteristics at OLSS.

We work to ensure that our children understand that:

- There are no outsiders at Our Lady & St Swithins CP
- Everyone is different
- We celebrate our differences
- We are all equal in our differences

At Our Lady & St Swithins CP, we actively promote this in our curriculum and work to embed this into our ethos.

#### ParentPay Activation

As you are now aware, we are no longer taking cash for school meals, breakfast club, trips or events as we will be using our ParentPay account. Thank you to everyone who has already activated their account. If you haven't done so yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. Please contact us if you have any problems with activation.

#### School Attendance

Please remember to be in on time each day. Our school day starts at 8.45am prompt. Your child's attendance is vital for them to gain their full potential. Please check school website for our term dates

### Reading Plus

Please encourage your child to log in to their PIXL TT account/Maths Seeds and Reading Plus/Reading Eggs account at home. Five assignments completed each week on Reading Plus, in and outside of school, is their target. Homework menus have also been sent home today. Child's reading books are changed weekly so please remember to send them in with your child and encourage them with their spelling homework.

### **Studybugs**

Register here for your free Studybugs account, allowing you to report illness and school absences online.

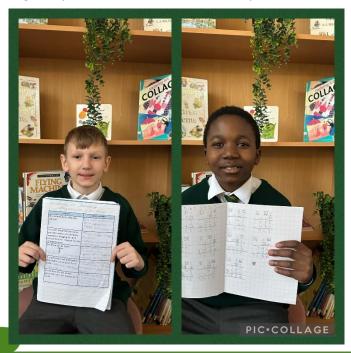
### https://studybugs.com

### Mass at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs and St Swithins Church

We would like to invite our families to join us at mass each Sunday at OLQM Catholic Church at II.30am. We would love you to experience the connection and belonging that comes with joining mass with the community. This brings an excellent opportunity for fellowship and spiritual growth. If you would like to stay for refreshments after mass, we'd love to see you there too.

## Wow Work!

What great pieces of work from these superstars this week!



## Stars of the week

Nursery - Elsie & Leo

Reception - Bartosz

Year I - Nofa

Year 2 - Jade

Year 3 - Faith

Year 4 - Callum

Year 5 - Sheefa

Year 6 - Rudeana

ARC - Kayden

Well Done to all our amazing Stars of the Week!

### **Attendance**

Reception - 99.1%

Year I - 95.6%

Year 2 - 89.7%

Year 3 - 94.8%

Year 4 - 94%

Year 5 - 96.3%

Year 6 - 93.2%

ARC - 83.8%

Whole School Target - 97%

OLSS Attendance - 93.6%

## EYFS Bulletin Board



Nursery – Feast of the Epiphany. This week, nursery has been learning all about the Three Wise Men, (Magi) and their long journey to meet the new born King. We have drawn pictures to show the stable with the new shining star above it and the three kings on their camels crossing the desert. We also made crowns in Forest School using natural materials that we found outdoors and we thanked God for creating them for us.

Reception – The children created a giant marble run this week. Problem solving and working collaboratively they made adjustments to the design and had great fun testing how the balls travelled each time.

## Available to you

#### You will be able to work on

- Place value
- Number patterns
- Ordering numbers
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Handling data
- Addition and subtraction methods
- Multiplication and division methods
- Solving word problems and reasoning

### 'Help your Child with Maths Homework'

The course is free and will be accredited (City and Guilds). It will help parents to support their children with their homework and is delivered around the school day. Days and times TBA. If you are interested, please contact Email: yglascott@myerscough.ac.uk

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# Winners!

Well done to our Champion's Breakfast Winners this week, our Stars of the Week, School Values Champions, birthday celebrations and our Attendance Prize Winners.



















### Year 4

We looked at the work of Gilbert (Bobbo) Ahiagble this week and learned some tie dye techniques to create different coloured designs on fabric just as he did. His fabrics can be found hanging in the national museum of African Arts.



### Year 5

We have been looking at tree trunks, particularly textures and patterns, creating collages using different colours and patterns to recreate a similar image.

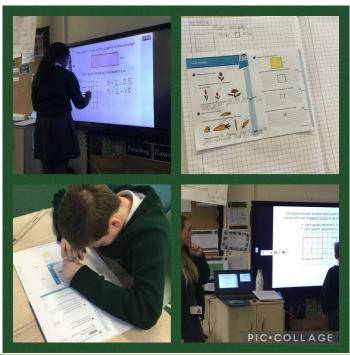


### Year I

We discussed what it means to recycle, why recycling it important and how we can ensure everyone does. We sorted images of different objects into the correct recycling bins and found that some objects need to be took apart to recycle different parts of them properly.

### Year 6

Year 6 have been looking and scaled drawings and how to reduce or enlarge according to scale.



### Year 2

We made our own printing blocks and used these to create repeated prints.





### Year 3

We used coffee filters to make prints.
We also made mandalas using water and markers experimenting what happened when we mix both together.