

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th June 2021

A MESSAGE FROM MISS CHOMA

Hi everyone,

Well done for another super week in school – there has been lots of great work and super behaviour throughout school. Most classes have now had their Class Mass. All your teachers and Fr Lawrie were so proud of you – your wonderful behaviour, the readers, children who brought up gifts and the way you all joined in the mass. YR had their first school visit to church – Miss Robertshaw said you were brilliant – well behaved; listened well and learnt lots of things about OLAS.

I would like to give a special mention to our Confirmation candidates who were confirmed this week. They were a credit to the school and their families. It was a lovely Mass and was led beautifully by the candidates (Y6). It was wonderful to see so many choose to be confirmed, as this stage in their faith journey is one that the children commit to. I am sure they will continue their faith journey in high school. Thank you to Mrs Harvey and Mrs Russell for preparing the children.

Housekeeping

- Please remember suntan cream and hats on hot days.
- Ensure you arrive on time for drop off and pickup times.
- Hairstyles are sensible – boys should not be having haircuts that are fully shaved or have lines. Long hair must be tied back.
- Snacks at breaktime should be fruit.
- Children have appropriate clothing for wet weather.

Sports Day

Sports Day will be rearranged. However, I do know the children have done other sporting events/quizzes in place of being outside. Hopefully, we will choose a sunny day next time!

Have a great weekend. I hope it is not too rainy!

From all the staff - be safe; be kind and be happy. God Bless

CRICKET COACH IN SCHOOL

We have been lucky to secure Pro Cricket Coaching until the end of the school year. Please check the timetable below and make sure your children wear their PE kit on this day. Thank you.

	AM Session 1	AM Session 2	PM Session 1	PM Session 2
FRIDAY 18 th JUNE	YEAR 3	YEAR 1	YEAR 4	YEAR 2
FRIDAY 25 th JUNE (SPORTS DAY)	YEAR 1	YEAR 4	YEAR 6	YEAR 5
FRIDAY 2 nd JULY	YEAR 6	YEAR 1	YEAR 4	YEAR 2
FRIDAY 9 th JULY	YEAR 3	YEAR 1	YEAR 4	YEAR 2
FRIDAY 16 th JULY	YEAR 5	YEAR 1	YEAR 4	YEAR 2

KEY INFORMATION

DATES FOR THE DIARY

June 2021

29th June: Y3 and Y4 Pedestrian Training

30th June: Y6 Pedestrian Training

July 2021

1st July: Y5 and Y6 Boy/Girl Cricket @ Yeadon CC, 3.30pm

3rd July: First Holy Communion @ 10am and 12pm

8th July: Y4 Mass @ 1.30pm

9th July: Y5 Mass @ 1.30pm

13th July: Y6 End of Year Production

16th July: Y5 Big Samba Event

21st July: Y6 Leavers Mass

22nd July: Y6 Campover

23rd July: End of Term Mass @ 11am

KS2 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Congratulations to all the girls who took part in the football match on Monday at SS Peter & Paul's School.

Despite losing 6-3, the girls showed great determination and grew in confidence as the game went on.

Thank you to all of the parents for providing transport and for returning the kits so quickly.

Good luck to the children in Year 4, 5 and 6 who are playing a football match tonight.



OTLEY 2030
A day of wildlife recording in the Irish Fields

BioBlitz

Saturday 26 June 10.00am — 3.00pm

Join us for guided nature walks
Including birds, botany, minibe
and much much more...
Including crafts and games!

Nearest public toilet 900 metres away (in town)

Feeling adventurous?
Sign up on the day to join us in the evening for bat and small mammal surveys...

CRICKET MATCHES

The boys' and girls' cricket matches will take place on Thursday 1st July at Yeadon Cricket Club.

For those children taking part in these, there will be a practice on Monday after school until 4:15pm.

PE kits will need to be worn and all children will need to be collected from the main entrance.

Thank you.



KEY INFORMATION

LEEDS CHILDREN'S MAYOR

Congratulations to Joseph, Agnes and Ciara in Year 5 who decided that they would like to stand as St. Joseph's candidate for the Children's Mayor of Leeds election which takes place in the autumn term.

Joseph, Agnes and Ciara wrote their own manifestos which they then presented to the rest of the school over Zoom and answered questions from the other children. The three of them all did brilliantly but unfortunately, we are only allowed to enter one candidate from our school so all the children in the school voted.

The voting was very close (with only 15 votes separating all 3 candidates) but the winner with 74 votes was...Agnes!

Congratulations Agnes!

Agnes' manifesto will now be sent to the panel who choose the 12 candidates from all of the ones selected by their Primary Schools.



CRICKET WORKSHOPS

Children are enjoying cricket sessions with Pro Coach Yorkshire learning key skills with experienced coaches.

Here are a selection of photos from the workshops.



CLASS CHARITIES

As part of our 'Money Sense' topic in PSHCE and having listened to feedback from the children in School Council Meetings, we decided that it would be nice for each class to choose a charity to raise money for this half term and their own fundraising event. These will take place in the week commencing Monday 12th July.

Here is a list of the charities each class has chosen and their fundraising event:

Year Rec: Blue Cross - The children would like to bring filled jam jars with things to sell to their friends, more information to follow!

Year 1: Otley Wildlife - The children have been creating their own artwork, for the Y1 Gallery, which will go on sale for parents and grandparents to buy.

Year 2: WWF - The children would like to host a bun sale. Children will pay to decorate cakes and purchase a plate of cakes for their family .

Year 3: Otley Action for Older People - The children will take part in a sponsored No-Technology Day.

Year 4: Jacqui's Million (Cancer Charity) - The children will host a sponsored Talent Show

Year 5: Dementia UK - The children would like to pay to throw cold water over Mrs Harvey & Mrs Russell.

Year 6: Cancer Research - The children will take part in a sponsored Games (Sport) Afternoon

CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God of the sea and the sky,
be with us when we are afraid.

Give us courage to do what is right
and strengthen our faith,
so we may give comfort to others
who are frightened.

Help us to be brave when things are difficult
and to help others who may be finding things hard.

Amen.

OUR LADY & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Due to Covid-19 Restrictions, Mass times have
changed for Our Lady and All Saints Otley.

Please see bulletin for changes to Mass times

[Click here](#)

Please book a place for Saturday evening or Sunday
morning Mass - [book here](#)



CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the 17 pupils in Year 6 who received
the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday and
Thursday night this week.

The children read beautifully in both Masses and
behaved very reverently - we were extremely proud of
them. We pray that they may continue to grow in God's
love.



Thank you to all of the families, friends and sponsors for guiding the children in their faith. A big "Thank you" to Father Lawrie for enabling this to happen.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

A request has been made by a family for them to receive Communion on the tongue at the First Holy Communion. Father Lawrie has said that he is willing to do this, however they will have to receive Communion after everyone else. If there is anyone else who would like to receive Communion on the tongue, then please let us know by Monday 28th June. However, if we receive several requests, then alternative arrangements will have to be made. Thank you.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

In Monday's Collective Worship, the children took part in a meditation about Sunday's Gospel Reading which was Jesus Calming the Storm. After the meditation where the children imagined they were on the boat with Jesus, the children were encouraged to remember that they too can ask for Jesus' help when they need it.

Our Statement of the Week was, "I stand up for people who are being treated unfairly." The children listened to these words from Luke's Gospel:

"Jesus went into the synagogue to preach in his home town of Nazareth and said:

I have come to give news to the poor. I have come to set free people who are being bullied.

I have come to help people who have been put down. I have come to show a new way, to give sight to the blind'."

We discussed the importance of treating everyone the same and being kind to everyone.



CLASS NEWS



YEAR R NEWS

This week in Reception, we have continued learning about the role of the police officer. The children have enjoyed acting out the role and writing about the important job that the police do. They thought about questions that they would like to ask a police officer if they had the chance such as, "How fast does your police car go?" and "How many times have you used your handcuffs?"

In Maths this week, we have been learning about halving. The children have explored this using various resources, on Friday we also had a go at having real objects such as an orange, a tomato and some chocolate. It would be great if you could practise this at home by sharing objects into two equal groups or even letting them help cut things in half.

As part of Faith Week, we have been learning about Hinduism in RE. We have been looking at where Hindu's worship and how the Mandirs differ from our church. The children enjoyed learning about how Hindu's pray, they had a go at saying "Namaste" and putting their forehead on the carpet as a sign of respect.

In Music this week, the children have been learning some new songs and adding in actions with Mrs Shakespeare.



YEAR 1 NEWS

In Music this term, Y1 have done really well to learn and remember all the actions to the following songs: Jump Jim Joe, Double This- Double That, In and Out The Shady Bluebells and Ding-Dong I've got the Rhythm In my Head.

In English, we have been reading the book Michael Recycle. Y1 are so knowledgeable about the different ways we can do this and love to share their ideas. We have also been practising our spelling and finding creative ways to help us spell those words that we sometimes struggle with.

In Maths, we have been looking at Capacity word problems and investigating how many cups it would take to fill a larger a jug or a bucket. We were able to practise this in the courtyard and managed to stay relatively dry!

To finish our unit on Judaism we have been learning about The Ten Commandments. Once Moses had led his people to freedom, God gave Moses a list of rules about the best way to live. We have been reflecting about the importance of rules and whilst they may not be easy to keep, they are a good way to help us live in peace and harmony.

On Thursday KS1 had their first Mass of the year in church. Mrs Harvey praised Y1 for their beautiful singing, readings and fantastic behaviour throughout the mass.



YEAR 2 NEWS

This week in Maths we have started our unit on time. The children have been learning which hand is which, and how we know that the time is o'clock and half past.

This week Year 2 have been super active! On Wednesday, the children were super lucky and had two lessons taught by Mrs Fenton Green from PHGS. She got them ready for Sports Day by practising their races and then they had a rugby lesson in the afternoon practising their agility skills.

Year 2 also took part in their KS1 Mass this week. It was so lovely to be back in church together with Year 1 and parents. The children all did so well to sit still and listen to each other and Father Lawrie's words. They were also like a choir of angels and sung the hymns so well. A big well done from Mrs Deyes and me!

As part of our Sikhism unit, we spent Thursday afternoon getting creative and made some of the 5 K's. The children have made some beautiful Kirpans, Kangas and Karas to display in our classroom.



YEAR 3 NEWS

We have visited a number of local churches this week as part of our RE work on other faiths. In Year 3 we have been looking at other Christian denominations, so we went to visit Otley Methodist Church, Beech Hill Church, The Bridge Church, and of course Our Lady and All Saints in order to understand some of the similarities and differences between them. The children were complimented on how engaged they were in the discussion and for the fantastic questions they asked.

In English we have been looking at the suffixes -ation and -ous, and how they change the root word. It gave us an opportunity to revisit our spelling rules for suffixes, as well as adding interesting words like 'publication' and 'vigorous' to our vocabulary.

In Maths we have been learning about different types of angles. We can now spot acute, right, and obtuse angles, as well as draw shapes containing these angles. It has been useful to look at angles the hands on a clock make because we can tell the time simultaneously!



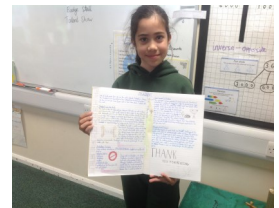
YEAR 4 NEWS

We have now completed the Multiplication Tables Check. Mrs Holmes was proud of all the children. They all worked hard to complete as many questions as they could, and some children even enjoyed it!

This week, Year 4 have enjoyed learning about the Jewish faith as part of our World Faith Week. We focused on the Jewish celebration of Shabbat which happens every week starting on Friday evening and ends on Saturday evening. We learnt about lots of the different customs used during this special time. We then created some wonderful information pages.

In English, we have continued to practise using apostrophes for omission and possession. We are getting very good at using our Standard English voices to help us to remember the long form of contracted words.

As Sports Day was cancelled, we took part in a sports quiz with Year 3. It was lots of fun, and our sporting knowledge was amazing!



YEAR 5 NEWS

This week in RE, we learnt about Ghandi as part of our work on Hinduism. The children made links to his work and that of Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. The children wrote fact files about his life and explained his legacy.

In Maths, the children started learning about angles. We recapped some of the vocabulary linked to angles (right angles, acute, obtuse and reflex) as well as using a protractor to measure and draw angles.

In English, we have continued to read "Clockwork" and have used it to inspire us to write formal letters and character descriptions.

On Friday, the children enjoyed their cricket session delivered by "ProCoach".



YEAR 6 NEWS

In Maths, we calculated angles in regular polygons. We explored circles and learnt about the radius and the diameter and drew accurate circles with a compass. We were challenged to draw an accurately measured train, it included: regular polygons and circles.

In English, we identified the purpose of an orientation in a newspaper report. We discussed how they include the 5W's and summarise the newspaper story. We started writing our own orientation for our report about the Three Little Pigs.

For the past couple of weeks in RE, we have learnt about the Islamic faith. We Looked in detail at the 5 "Pillars of Islam" and Mosques. We created powerpoints all that we had learned and gave reasons why some Pillar might be more important than others.

