

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 30th June 2023

A MESSAGE FROM MISS CHOMA

Hi all,

Another super, but busy week in school – I cannot believe we are so close to the end of term. The weeks have flown by!

We have had lots of events in school this week: Y5 Experience Day at PHGS, whole school mass (led beautifully by Y2), new Reception visits and I have so many meetings I have lost count! We will need this weekend to recover!

Staffing September 2023

Headteacher: Mr Gilhooly

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Mrs Dalton and Mrs Georghiou	Mrs Harvey (Deputy Headteacher)	Mrs Holmes	Miss Chappel and Mrs Armitage	Mrs Tremlett and Miss Pope	Miss Grant	Miss Dowd

Support Staff: Mrs Hart, Mrs Kealey, Mrs Mulholland, Mrs Russell, Mr Voller, Miss Walker and Mrs Walsh

Nurture Support and SENCO: Miss Earley

Catholic Care: Gemma McDonald

Music Curriculum: Mr Rickson

Administrative Staff: Miss Wilkinson and Mrs Boothman

Site Supervisor and staff: Mr Ed, Caroline and Mark

Lunchtime Supervisor: Mrs Webster

Kitchen Staff: Mrs Robinson (supervisor), Mrs Roberts, Miss Connor and Miss Cuttey

Peripatetics: Guitars; Brass and Woodwind

Have a lovely weekend; have fun and enjoy spending time with family and friends.

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

SPORTS DAY

Everybody had a wonderful time in the sunshine celebrating our annual Sports Day. We took part in a number of races such as sprinting, egg and spoon, beanbag, hurdles and relay. We also enjoyed a mum and dad race which was very competitive.

However, stars of the show were the toddlers who had a great race!

Thank you to everyone who purchased food and drink - we raised some fantastic funds for Friends of St Joseph's!

Thank you to everybody who came to watch and support the children.

Well done to all the teams who took part. Special congratulations to Mrs Russell's team, **ZAMBIA**, who were the overall winners of the day!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 3rd July - KS2 Fun Run
- 4th July - Y6 PHGS Rounders Festival
- 4th July - Y6 Cricket Finals
- 5th July - Y3 Class Mass @ 10am
- 6th July - Spelling Bee
- 6th July - Y3/Y4 Cricket Match
- 7th July - Y5 Class Mass @ 10am
- 10th July - Girls Football Tournament
- 11th July - Y6 Production
- 11th July - Y2 Football at SSPP Yeadon
- 14th July - Y4 Class Mass @ 10am
- 17th July - Y5/Y6 Football Match at The Whartons
- 19th July - Scarborough Trip
- 21st July - End of Year Mass and Picnic

READING BOOKS

As we approach the end of the school year, we ask that parents return all outstanding physical books to school by Tuesday 18th July.

We encourage children to check out their local library facilities! For more information see <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/leisure/libraries/your-library>



DROWNING PREVENTION WEEK

In Year 4 as part of our swimming programme, Edward led a presentation on the various ways to keep ourselves safe during Drowning Prevention Week.

As well as taking questions from the class and explaining what he had learnt during his own swimming lessons, Edward demonstrated with the aid of a helper, some of the ways in which we might help someone in difficulty, including pulling someone to the side, and using a throw line.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING WEEK

We have enjoyed our health and wellbeing week— looking at both our physical and mental health.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Mental Health Day	Let's Connect Day	Healthy Eating Day	Physical Health and Sports Day	Neurodiversity Day

Each class have created their own healthy recipe and cooked the food to taste. We then put all the recipes from each year group into a Healthy Recipe Book so everyone can have a go at making these dishes themselves at home! You can buy one from the Office for 50p! Email office@stjosephsotley.org for more information.

On Monday 3rd July, we will have an inspirational guest speaker Lira Lewis who will talk with the children about neurodiversity including dyslexia and dyspraxia.

We are proud of all our children for knowing how to care for their body and mind and understanding that we are all special.



READING HELPERS - WE NEED YOU!

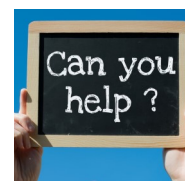
As we look towards the start of our next school year in September, we are looking for a group of volunteers to listen to children read on a 1:1 basis and in small groups.

Who can help?

Parents or relatives of pupils; including mums, dads and grandparents.

What do I do if I want to help in School?

Send an email to Miss Wilkinson in the first instance. Tell us what you can offer the school and the time you are willing to commit. If we can make use of your skills you will be invited to have an enhanced DBS check carried out if appropriate. Please note that these checks cost the school a considerable amount of money and so we must be sure that you will be able to commit time regularly.



CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

God our Father,
Help us to learn from Jesus, to live like Jesus and to love like Jesus.

May his love be our way, our truth and our life.
May his love expand our hearts to embrace our neighbours in need.

We thank you God, for giving us Saints like Peter and Paul who carry out your work.

We pray that we too may be saints and carry out your work.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OUR LADY & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 10am

Saturday Evening Vigil: 6:30pm

Sunday Morning: 9:30am & 11:15am

For updates, please check the weekly bulletin for up-to-date Mass times.

<http://www.olasotley.org/bulletin.html>



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP—WORLD FAITHS

This morning, each class told us about the World Faith that they have learnt about over the year. Reception and Year 5 told us about Hinduism; Year 1 and Year 4 taught us about Judaism; Year 2 spoke about Sikhism, Year 3 told us about other Christian denominations and Year 6 told us about Islam. We finished our worship with this prayer:

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for our brothers and sisters around the world who have different faiths to us, different religions to us, and different beliefs to us.

We pray that we may grow to understand each other more and celebrate our differences remembering we are all made in the image of God to love one another.

Amen.

SS PETER AND PAUL MASS

On Thursday, it was the Feast Day of Ss Peter and Paul so the whole school went to Church to celebrate these two special saints. Our Mass was led beautifully by Year 2 and Father Michael led our worship. In his homily, he showed us two empty sweet jars that were in the shapes of a jelly baby and Bertie Bassett. These represented Saint Peter and Saint Paul. Father Michael reminded us that although Saint Peter and Saint Paul were special people, they were just ordinary people like us and that they made mistakes just like we do but Jesus loves us anyway and just wants us to do our best. Thank you to Father Michael and the organist Paul as well as Mrs Holmes, Mrs Walsh and Year 2.

STATEMENT OF THE WEEK

Our statement this week was: I recognise that we are all different and we are all the same. We thought about all the ways in which we are different and then we thought about ways in which we are the same. Even though we are all different, God created us all and he loves each and everyone one of us.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

A prayer to Sts. Peter and Paul

O holy Apostles,
Peter and Paul, intercede for us.
Protect, O Lord, your people who trust in the patronage of your Apostles, Peter and Paul; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



As a family, with God in our hearts, we love, laugh and learn.

CLASS PAGES

YEAR R NEWS

We've had a great week in Reception learning about how to keep our minds and bodies healthy. We know to keep our bodies fit we need to do exercise. Daisy said, "We need to eat healthy foods. I like healthy sweets and bananas are healthy too." Georgia said, "We need to eat vegetables and do exercise like riding a bike." On Friday, we learned about the things that make us special. We played some parachute games looking at what makes us unique. We know our brains all work a little bit differently and that makes us, us!

In Literacy, we read the book 'What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside'. We wrote some fantastic sentences. Ben wrote, "At the seaside I see a shark."

In Maths, we have continued looking at shape and rotation. We used 2D shapes to make pictures, having to match and rotate the shapes to fit. In RE, we have learned about Hinduism. Some of us spoke in assembly about the Hindu faith, we learned that Hindu's celebrate Diwali by preparing special meals and wearing their most special clothes.

We've also been learning about Baptism. We have been looking at photos of baptisms and identifying the font and holy water. We have talked about why we get baptised. If you have any photos from your child's baptism, please put them on tapestry so we can look at them next week.

YEAR 1 NEWS

In Maths, we have begun to look at **fractions** we have learnt that fractions are about sharing and we are beginning to understand that fractions are a part of one object or a whole. This week we have been focusing on halves and quarters. We made some delicious pizzas with our own toppings and each took a quarter home.

In English, we have been thinking about instructional writing. As part of our health and wellbeing week we baked some carrot and oat bars. We thought about the equipment we would need and the steps involved. We used bossy verbs as sentence starters and time adverbials for sequencing.

In PSHE, as part of Health & Wellbeing Week, we have been thinking about the strategies we can use when we feel out of sorts at school. We know we have lots of ways to feel calm again and people we can talk to.

Sports Day was another success this year. We enjoyed taking part in the obstacle race, the running relay race, dribbling football race, the egg and spoon race and the sack race. Y1 took part with confidence and enthusiasm and everyone enjoyed cheering for their fellow team members.

YEAR 2 NEWS

Year 2 have been enjoying writing their non-chronological reports about hedgehogs. The children have been working hard to start their sentences in different ways to keep the reader interested. We even tried to use adverbs such as interestingly, amazingly and unusually.

In Maths, we have continued our work on telling the time. The children are gaining confidence in recognising the time 'past the hour' and are now learning to recognise 'to the hour'. Lots of children have said that they have made their clocks at home, so hopefully they can get lots of practise in!

In RE, the children participated in a circle time. We re-capped the coming of the Holy Spirit and danced to a song about the fruits of the Holy Spirit - Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control. We each chose a gift from the Holy Spirit out of the basket, and they said how we would show this gift in our class, on the playground and at home.

Mrs Holmes and Mrs Walsh were both immensely proud of Year 2 as they led the St Peter and St Paul whole school Mass in church on Thursday. They all read beautifully and clearly. Very well-done Year 2 for showing such maturity.

YEAR 3 NEWS

In English, the children completed their exciting adventure narratives set in an Egyptian pyramid. This week, they wrote the climax to their stories, including dialogue between their characters. It has been great to see them working hard to include some ambitious vocabulary and different sentence styles to build the tension for their readers

In PE, the children worked on their bowling technique which they then put into practice in a rounders match. They learnt that the aim when bowling is to stop the batter from scoring points and practised their underarm throwing.

In Science, Year 3 explored how magnetic forces work. They identified that a magnet has two poles and then they used magnets to experiment whether the two poles attract or repel each other. They worked hard to use scientific vocabulary to write about the results.

In RE, we continued studying Saint Paul. We were tasked with writing a recount of his conversion as he travelled on the road from Jerusalem to Damascus in pursuit of Christians. He had been named Saul at birth but changed his name to Paul to show that he was a changed man and was no longer going to persecute Christians.

YEAR 4 NEWS

On Wednesday, Year 4 enjoyed making our seasonal apple and rhubarb crumble. We found it very exciting going over to the bungalow and cutting the apples and rhubarb. We mixed together the ingredients to make the topping. After lunch, we ate what we had made - it was delicious. Also, as part of health week, we have been active for at least 30 minutes every day. We tried doing lots of different table tennis challenges in our classroom and we did some basketball challenges outside. On both these days, we also walked or ran around the field for 15 minutes.

In our Maths, we have been looking at graphs. Today, we enjoyed drawing our own graphs using the data from the Ashes match being played at Lord's. Our graphs showed that England scored nearly double amount of runs that Australia did in the first 20 overs of each innings.

In RE, we thought about ways in which people can live out the Good News of Jesus by using the fruits of the Holy Spirit. We also learnt about the life of Saint Paul.

YEAR 5 NEWS

In Year 5 this week, the children had the opportunity to go to Prince Henry's Highschool as one of their transition days. They enjoyed learning about several different subjects, such as Drama, where they watched past productions, Science where they investigated acids and alkaline, Chinese, and PE. They all had a fantastic time.

During the week, Year 5 also had the chance to make some food as part of our DT topic which is linked with healthy eating week. They followed a recipe, learned how to follow a set list of instructions as well as used different cutting techniques to cut and diced a variety of different vegetables. By the end of it, the children made a delicious couscous salad.

In Science this week, the children began looking at the 7-life process within animal and human life. They were able to identify the different processes which are movement, respiration, sensitivity, growth, reproduction, excretion, and nutrition. They were able to explain what they are and why it is important that we have them.

YEAR 6 NEWS

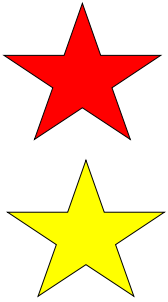
In Maths, we continued to look at profit and loss when making and selling food. We used our knowledge of the four operations to work it out.

In Science, we took part in a pulse experiment where we wanted to see how high our heart rate goes when we have done exercise and how long it would take to return to our resting heart rate. Firstly, we measured our resting heart rate, then did two minutes of exercise, measured our heart rate straight after and then at two minutes and five minutes after exercise.

On Wednesday, we enjoyed playing cricket. We worked on lots of different skills, such as: bowling, batting, fielding and throwing. We are looking forward to using these skills in the cricket and rounders tournament at Prince Henry's next week.

On Friday, we enjoyed talking about keeping our bodies healthy through looking at good and bad choices. We worked in groups to create videos to show how to make good choices.

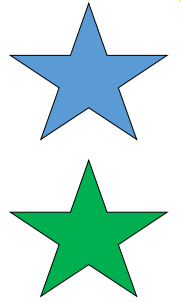
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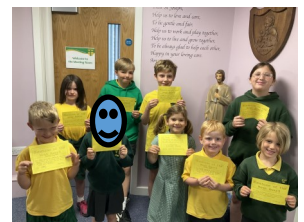
EVERYONE

FOR EARNING HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK



SUNSHINE AWARD

CHARLIE AND WILLIAM S (YR), LUNA AND FRED (Y1),
DECLAN (Y2), EVIE (Y3), EDWARD (Y4),
BLONDIE AND EMME (Y5), ALFIE (Y6)



RE AWARD

CONNOR (YR), FREDDIE (Y1), AVA (Y2), DYLAN AND
CORBEN (Y3), JAKY (Y4), OLIVIA C (Y5), CHARLIE W (Y6)



An Intercession to St Joseph

Dear St Joseph

Help us to love and care

To be gentle and fair

Help us to work and play together

Help us to live and grow together

To be always glad to help each other

Happy in your loving care

Amen



Otley Cycling Family Fun Day

Garnetts Field LS21 1AS

Police bike marking

between

10.30am and 12pm



10am -3pm



Sunday 25Th June 2023



Children aged 3-12 can improve their skills on our specially designed grass circuit.

Climbing Tower run by Herd Farm Activity Centre.

Adults can try out E bikes & E-cargo bikes, including child carrier on a flat field.

New: selection of adapted trikes to try out.

Activity tent 'Festival Sticker Art' for all ages.

Yorkshire Dales Ice Cream Van

Feel free to bring a packed lunch, plenty of space for a picnic!

Toilets and handwashing facilities on site.

Free Entry!

Helmets are Compulsory.

Breeze™ Dates & Venues

In the Park Times: 12pm to 2.30pm & 3pm to 5.30pm

WED 26 JULY Pudsey Queens Park, Pudsey LS28 7FB	THU 27 JULY Wetherby The Ings, Lodge Lane, LS22 5FN	 FRI 28 JULY Garforth Glebelands Recreation, LS25 1NT	SAT 29 JULY Belle Isle Parkside Fields, Belle Isle, LS10 3HF
MON 31 JULY Scott Hall Potternewton Playing Fields, LS7 2EE	 TUE 1 AUG Beeston Cross Flatts Park, Beeston, LS11 7BQ	THU 3 AUG Tinshill Tinshill Recreation, LS16 6BN	FRI 4 AUG Otley Garnett Field, Riverdale Road, LS21 1AS
 SAT 5 AUG Tingley Blackgates Primary School, WF3 1QQ	MON 7 AUG Burmantofts Haslewood Park, Oxton Way, LS9 7UZ	TUE 8 AUG Farsley Hainsworth Park, Farsley, LS28 5ES	 WED 9 AUG Kirkstall Kirkstall Abbey, Abbey Road, LS5 3EH
THU 10 AUG Rothwell Springhead Park, Park Lane, LS26 0DY	FRI 11 AUG Crossgates Manston Park, LS15 8HA	SAT 12 AUG Harehills Harehills Park, LS9 6ND	 MON 14 AUG Farnley Farnley Hall Park, Hall Lane, LS12 5HA
TUE 15 AUG Drighlington Adwalton Moor, BD11 1JZ	WED 16 AUG Halton Primrose Valley Park, Temple Newsam, LS15 7JA	 THU 17 AUG Bramhope West Park RUFC, The Sycamores, LS16 9JR	FRI 18 AUG Woodhouse Woodhouse Moor, Woodhouse Lane, LS6 1SJ
SAT 19 AUG Armley Armley Park, Stanningley Road, LS12 3LW	MON 21 AUG Guiseley Nunroyd Park, Yeadon LS19 7HR	 TUE 22 AUG East End Park East End Park, LS9 9NG	WED 23 AUG Kippax Kippax Common, Off Rosewood Avenue, LS25 7DL
THU 24 AUG Bramley Bramley Park, Westover Road, LS13 3PG	FRI 25 AUG Morley Scatcherd Park, Morley, LS27 9JP	TUE 29 AUG Middleton Middleton Park, Town Street, LS10 3SH	WED 30 AUG Seacroft Seacroft Village Green, LS14 6JS
THU 31 AUG Horsforth Horsforth Field Playground, LS18 4BR	<p>Booking essential 50p admission per child Breezeleeds.org</p>		 <p>Events with this symbol offer an hour from 11am -12pm, specifically for children with additional needs and their families. More info on the website</p>