



Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Angela Folland

Living, Loving and Learning in God's Way

19th March 2021

Headteacher's News

It is wonderful to have all of our children back in school. The last two weeks have been full of noise and laughter - just like a school should be! Thank you again to all of you for supporting us in the ways you can; through wearing your face coverings and socially distancing at drop off and pick up.

Important Information

Safeguarding - Children's use of mobile phones on site

It has come to our attention that some of the children in Years 5 and 6 are using their phone to take photos whilst on the school site early in the morning. The children have been asked to keep their phones in their bags whilst waiting to enter school, they should then hand their phones in to the teacher on entry to the classroom. Please speak to your children about the importance of not using their phones before school starts and especially not to take photos of each other in their uniform. If posted online, these children could be very easily identified. We thank you for your support with this.

Nursery Summer Term Contracts

If you are a nursery parent and have not managed to complete and return your Summer Term contract form yet, please could you do so as soon as possible next week? The deadline for returning these is next Friday 23rd March.

World Book Day Winners!

Well done to everyone who took part in the World Book Day Competition to design a story scene - Mrs Gordon and Mrs Folland had great fun judging them all. Please see our website next week for pictures of the winning entries from;

Early Years - Sophie

Year 1 - Oscar

Year 2 - Laila

Year 3 - Harley

Year 4 - Ona

Year 5 - Emily

Year 6 - Holly

British Science Week 2021

Last week, all of the children at OLSP from the nursery up to Year 6 took part in British Science Week 2021. This year's theme, 'Innovating for the Future,' got the children to put on their thinking caps and experience innovation by coming up with machines they would like to invent. Each key stage group then completed two activities to explore the theme further:

EYFS - Wavy Wax Drawings and Ice Gardens

KS1- Food appearance vs. taste and Design your own Robo-Bug

LKS2 - Split Light and Which plastic?

UKS2 - 'How can we make our food better?' Debate and Bringing Data to Life (Building Weather Stations).

We had great fun whilst practicing our enquiry skills: asking questions, making predictions, setting up tests, observing and measuring, recording data, interpreting and communicating results and evaluating.

Well done for all of the children's super efforts!

Miss Bramley



PIC•COLLAGE



Disciples of the Week

*W/B 8th March 2021
Compassion*

Early Years	Renee
Year 1	Hollie
Year 2	Harrison
Year 3	Juliana
Year 4	Louie
Year 5	Elsie-Rose
Year 6	Isabelle

*W/B 15th March 2021
Forgiveness*

Friends' News

Thank you so much to all the children for coming in their brilliant disco clothes for St. Patrick's Day. They looked amazing and helped to raise £134.02 for the Friend's which is fantastic!

Over the Easter Holidays we are arranging an Easter Trail through the town, so you can follow clues and a map to complete the puzzle and win a small prize. More details will be available on the Friends of OLSP Facebook Page once the maps are ready to go. Hopefully this is a great way to exercise over the holiday powered by Easter Chocolate!

Early Years	Iyla
Year 1	Indya
Year 2	George
Year 3	Riley
Year 4	Maci
Year 5	Olivia
Year 6	Holly
<i>Well done to you all!</i>	

Prayer

Today is the feast of St Joseph. Pope Francis has declared this year a year dedicated to St Joseph and asked us to say this prayer:

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and
courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

Community News

Bicton College's annual Lambing Sunday at Bicton has been cancelled this year but they are holding a virtual lambing event this Sunday at 11am that your children may like to tune into. You can join LIVE as they introduce their "amazing sheep", share their stories & talk about how they look after them. See where they live, learn when they put them in lamb and find out interesting facts about how many lambs they might have....plus more! They said they will also introduce you to the brand new lambs and give you a live bottle-feeding demonstration.

You can watch it on their Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/BictonCollege> or YouTube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CXi4GYf9xWY>

Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School and Nursery
Website: www.olsp-rc.com

Our Lady and St Patrick's School is committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Rachel O'Sullivan Deputy Child Protection Leads: Mrs A Folland, Mrs R Gordon, Mrs S Emmerton, Mrs J Osborne Named Governor for Child Protection: Mrs Lorraine Coulter