



Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Angela Folland

Living, Loving and Learning in God's Way

28th May 2021

Headteacher's News

This morning we held a lovely commissioning service at Our Lady and St Patrick's Church for our new Pupil Chaplains. We also thanked and bid farewell to our retiring Chaplains who have served the school community so well over the last two years. It was a very special moment to recognise the gifts and talents that the children have used in the service of others and to welcome and encourage the gifts the new team will bring. A big thank you to Fr Mark for leading the service and to the parents and families who were able to join us in this special event.



Retiring Chaplains



Newly Commissioned Chaplains

We hope that all of our children and families have a restful half term - hopefully the sun will finally shine! We look forward to seeing you in school on **Tuesday 8th June** (Monday 7th June is a training day for staff)

Important Information

REMINDER - STILL TIME TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Parent consultation - School start time in September

As you are aware, for almost 12 months now, we have opened the gates at 8.30am. Interestingly almost all of our children are now on site by 8.45am and in the classroom reading or involved in morning work or group work with their teachers. In September, we propose to officially start the school day at 8.45am with the gates still opening at 8.30am. The benefits of this are that we maximise learning time for the children. Many teachers are already using this time to meet with individual children to pick up on misunderstandings in their learning the day before; work on specific vocabulary with children in preparation for the day's learning; practice daily fluency in reading, phonics and times tables and we want to use this time for all children, not just the early arrivers. We know that this start time will also enable more parents to get to work for a 9am start.

In summary:

8.30am Gates open (children can come in for morning activities and group work)

8.45am Registration starts - ***our attendance policy will be amended to this time as the time children should be in school. Children arriving after this time will be marked as late (L)***

8.55am Registration closes. ***Children arriving after this time will be marked as unauthorised late (U)***

Please have your say in the consultation by using the link

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfH8FJpsBpHw9fp_DBQvwPYxc9SoK3vo0zP8BTZF4puMrCDEA/viewform?usp=pp_url

The consultation runs from today, Friday 14th May, until 5pm Friday 18th June.

Parking

Please could we kindly remind Parents and Carers to be mindful of our neighbours when parking. We have had a report from a resident regarding parking obstructions particularly in the St Patrick's Close area. Cars have either overhanged the entrance, preventing access to the Close, or they have parked at the top of St Patrick's Close, again restricting access. Please help us to maintain our friendly relationship with our neighbours by parking thoughtfully. We thank you for your understanding.

School Dinner Payments and Parentpay

Just a reminder, School dinners should be paid for in advance of your child ordering their meals. Please keep your Parentpay account topped up if your child has regular dinners and pay as soon as you can if you have ordered an 'ad-hoc' meal. We send weekly reminders where Parentpay account balances have fallen below zero and would appreciate if Parents/Carers could clear these arrears as soon as possible, on receipt of the message.

There are still some Parents/Carers who have not yet activated their Parentpay accounts; 88% of you have successfully done so. We will be using Parentpay for lots more than just school dinners as we are now a cashless school. Please contact the school office if you need help with the activation process and help us to get 100% of our Parents/Carers on Parentpay!

Disciples of the Week

*W/B 17th May 2021
Peace*

Early Years	Joshua R
Year 1	Ivie-Beau
Year 2	Patrick
Year 3	Marnie
Year 4	Oliver E
Year 5	Austin
Year 6	Tobias

*W/B 24th May 2021
Compassion*

Early Years	Oliver
Year 1	Ossie
Year 2	Kody
Year 3	Ivy
Year 4	Henri
Year 5	Max
Year 6	Holly

Well done to you all!

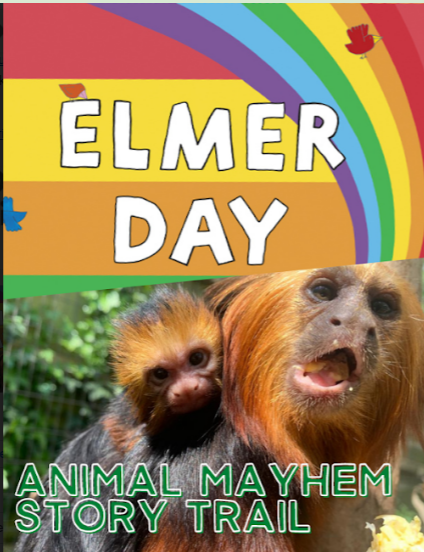
Friends' News

We are really looking forward to the AGM on Wednesday 9th June at 7.30pm by zoom. Wondering who else will be there? Here are the team members at the moment. It would be brilliant to have you onboard too! Meet the team!

- Mrs Day - Teacher Representative
- Chuck Bennett - Chair
- Yvonne Richards - Secretary
- Sarah Jackson - Treasurer
- Liz Wooding
- Laura Bennett
- Chloe Rigler
- Sophie Farleigh
- Faye Sendra
- Jess Sanders
- Kate Gameson
- Emma Nash
- Theresa Holden
- Debbie Ford
- Martina Uhrinova-Saw
- Lois Cole
- Louisa Swanson
- Katherine Falcon-Steward

Also, planning ahead to the start of the new school year, if you want some sturdy labels for your childrens uniform, go to mynametags.com and use the school code 30872 to order your labels. Mynametags then give 24% back to the Friend's of OLSP so it is a great and easy way to raise funds to be spent on the children!

Community News



ELMER DAY

ANIMAL MAYHEM STORY TRAIL

Teignmouth Library

All half term

Free!

Drop in:

Monday: 10:00 - 13:00
and 14:00 - 16:30

Tuesday: 10:00 - 12:00

Wednesday: 10:00 - 12:00
and 14:00 - 16:30

Thursday: Closed

Friday: 10:00 - 12:00 and
14:00 - 16:30

Saturday: 10:00 - 12:00

Prayer

Come to us, Lord God, as we come to you in prayer.
Be with us now, we pray, and guide the words we share
Amen

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