



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School



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Head teacher Award

Joe was sent to Mr Beverton for a Headteacher's award to celebrate his incredible progress with his writing. His RE work was engaging, addressed the reader and was full of relevant facts. Keep up the good work Joe! Mrs Philbrook



My art project by Irene.



As part of a competition, in my local church, I have produced a piece of art. There were several different parts to the competition including sport and drama, but I chose to take part in the art section. In my art piece, I included some verses from the bible that explain why we should follow Christ's example, I also included some images to represent God's love for everyone.

Magic Pavilion Launch Day — Wednesday 20th March 1:30 — 3pm



Please come and celebrate the launch of our Magic Pavilion and Wildlife grounds on Wednesday 20th March from 1.30pm onwards. We hope to have the Mayor of Brighton, our very own Dee Simson, attend to officially open this wonderful new project. Nickhola-Susanne will be enchanting all with storytelling in the wooded area and selling her book — which thanks to the school and PTA every child in Reception and KS1 received a free copy after their storytelling sessions on Monday. There will be guided tours by our very

own Eco Council children. Katie Eberstein from the Wildlife Trust will be there to talk about how the area can be used. The PTA will be providing refreshments in the Library. It will be a fun afternoon of activities and a chance to see what your contributions to PTA events, along with Lottery 'Awards for All' bids, can do to transform our school.

Let's Dance 2019 at the Dome Theatre



Last night (Thurs 14th) 40 children from Years 3 and 4 performed in a dance at the Brighton Dome as part of the annual Lets Dance celebrations. The children had worked incredibly hard in our rehearsals and as always, rose to the occasion on the night, with a truly outstanding performance. We were extremely proud of them!

We also need to say a huge thank you to Helen Snow for choreographing the dance and giving up her free time to come and help the children practise. Thank you also to the parents for providing wonderful costumes and make up! It was a great evening! Thank you also to Miss Cordell and Mrs Philbrook!



St Martha's Statue



A huge thank you to Sister Cecile, Sister Pauline and Sister Angela for giving the school a beautiful statue of St Martha and a crucifix for the hall. The crucifix was originally bequeathed to St Martha's Convent. It is wonderful to have been given religious artefacts that reminds us of the fact that our school started as St Martha's Convent School in around 1929 before becoming Our Lady of Lourdes school in 1969. We are very lucky to have such a shared history and continuing warm and close relationship. We are truly grateful to all at St Martha's.

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Forthcoming Dates

**Spring Term
2019
3rd January to
9th April 2019**

**INSET dates
for 2019
23rd April
3rd June**

**Year 4 Wild
Beach project
20th & 27th of
March,
1st & 9th of April**

**Wednesday 20th
March
Rec—Wilderness
Wood Trip**

**Monday 25th
March—3.30
SAT's meeting in
Yr 6 class**

**Monday 8th
April -3.30
Yr 6 Residential
meeting in Yr 6
class**

**Thursday 6th
June 2019
Class Photo's**

**Thurs 11th July
2019
Sports Day**

**Saturday 13th
July 2019
Summer Fair**

**Please see the
final page for all
the dates you
will need this
term and more!**

Stars of the week

- Rec- Sebastian** — For demonstrating a very positive attitude in his learning.
- Rec- Leah** — For becoming a have a go hippo and developing in confidence.
- Rec- Mark** — For being a have a go hippo in problem solving addition number stories and recording ideas.
- Rec- Noah** — For being a have a go hippo in read, write Inc lessons and using his phonic knowledge.
- Yr1- Kian** — For fantastic presentation within all your subject books, especially handwriting.
- Yr1- Lucia** — For showing great enjoyment and focus during our PE sessions, including cricket.
- Yr2- Charlene** — For her enthusiasm and great have a go attitude towards all of her learning.
- Yr2- Magdalena**— For improving your concentration and effort.
- Yr3- Archie** — For enjoying a maths challenge, showing perseverance and thinking creatively.
- Yr3- Caitlin** — For always enjoying her learning with a smile on her face, even when it gets tricky.
- Yr3- Let's Dancers** - For their amazing performance at the Brighton Dome. I am so so proud of you!
- Yr3- Not Dancers** - For their mature attitude when working by themselves during rehearsals and with other teachers.
- Yr4- Benjamin** — For participating so well in Fresh Start sessions, always being polite and welcoming.
- Yr4- Connor** — For always taking pride in the presentation of his work and beautiful handwriting.
- Yr5- Irene** — For pushing herself hard in Maths and for being a have a go hippo.
- Yr5- Grace** — For being an imagination Giraffe in publishing her lovely Viking saga.
- Yr6- Scott** — For being a real co-operation Cheetah and supporting his peers with their learning.
- Yr6- Sienna** — For always having a growth mindset and approaching challenges with a have a go attitude.

Reception was given a potato planting kit and we were very excited to try our luck at growing potatoes. With a little help from Miss Lacroix, a small group of children helped to plant the jazzy and rocket potato bulbs and now we are all on watering duty! Lets hope for a bumper crop of potatoes!



Governors' Corner

Watch out for our forthcoming school 50th Anniversary celebration events over the Summer term. Further details to follow soon ...



Red Nose Day

Thank you to all the parents/carers for helping your children mark this brilliant day by sending them in dressed in red. Although we ask you make private donations it is a school community coming together to make the selfless act of giving.

Lenten Reconciliation Services

We marked the beginning of the season of Lent last Wednesday by the whole school attending Ash Wednesday mass at Our Lady of Lourdes church. Father Benny welcomed us all to a very busy and packed celebration. All the central benches were taken up by the school, with Year 3 seated up in the choir loft and Year 2 on the altar. The behaviour of the children was impeccable. They were all reverent and superbly behaved — we are so proud of every single child! We are very thankful for all the wonderful comments received from the parishioners that attended as we all as from Father Benny. It was fantastic to feed back such positive praise to the children at last week's Celebration Assembly.

As well as Year group buddy masses at the church, the children will be attending our annual Lenten Reconciliation Services in the school to prepare for the Easter celebration, the most important Season in the Church calendar. A time when we reflect on the events in Jesus' life in which he reminds us of how much God truly loves us all. We prepare for this by thinking of what we can do to live out the Gospel — how can we think more about others before ourselves, how can we give more to others and what can we learn to live without.

World Book Day



A huge thank you to the Student Council and Miss Worsfold for planning and organising our World book Day last week. So many of our children came to school dressed as their favourite character! Everyone took part in a special assembly to show off their creativity with each year group parading around the hall. It is such a brilliant way to promote the importance of reading—not only the skills itself but how children learn to use the grammar and vocabulary of their favourite authors in their own work!



In **Reception**, we had the storyteller Nickhola-Susanne La Brooy tell us a story about the very hopeful caterpillar. The children were engaged right from the start with all the colourful and tactile visual imagery, not to mention all the audience participation including squirting water for rain, banging drums for drama and tension and being wrapped up like a cocoon! After the story, the children got to design their own personal bookmark and also receive a signed copy of *The Wonder Tails* which includes the story the children had just heard. Many thanks to Nickhola- Susanne for sharing her story with us.

PTA News

Dear All,

The PTA are very excited to announce two brand new events for the Spring Term. Firstly, on Friday March 29th we will be hosting a Bingo Night - tickets will be £10 and include 5 bingo cards. The event will start at 7pm and a bar and nibbles will be provided. Tickets will be sent out in children's book bags next week so please keep an eye out.

Troubadour night - (**postponed, further details to follow**) As a PTA we have never shied away from trying something new and our Troubadour night is certainly that! On Friday 26th April we will be organising a 'festival' themed night making use of the fantastic grounds that we now have opened up. The event will have fabulous live music, a professional story teller around a camp fire, food and drink. So bring a blanket, enjoy hot food and get into the camping spirit (more details to follow)

PTA - events for the year:

Eco Hub and Magic Pavilion Launch - Wednesday 20th March 1.30 PM onwards

Bingo Night 7pm - Friday 29th March

Sponsored Easter Fun Run - Monday 8th April

Troubadour Night (more details to follow) Friday 26th April PM - postponed to Friday 10th May

Friday May 24th - Quiz night 7pm

Saturday 6th July - Woodingdean carnival

Saturday 13 July - Summer Fair

Parent council - Date of next meeting Monday 1st April at 1.45pm in the Arches. Please come along, members of the governing body and senior leadership team will be present.

Also we have a fantastic new OLOL contact details page which has all contact details in the one place. See attached at the end of the newsletter.

School Ping — Schools Messaging service to Parents/Carers

If you haven't downloaded the app yet please ask for log in details from the office to be re-issued. If you are having problems accessing ping please ask for help at the office. Miss Dow and Mrs Matthews are going on School ping training on the 21st of March, please let the Office know of any queries before then. Many Thanks

Interested in Fostering?

Brighton & Hove City Council has an ongoing need for foster families to provide safe, loving and stable homes for vulnerable local children. As a foster carer you will receive 24/7 support, an extensive training programme and a dedicated social worker assigned to be with you every step of the way. It's your personal qualities that make you great at fostering, so foster carers come from all sorts of different backgrounds, cultures, religions and age groups. Foster carers can be single, in a civil partnership, married or unmarried; they can be LGBT, from any ethnic or religious background, a homeowner, living in rented accommodation, working, unemployed or retired. Some have children already, and some do not. What they have in common is a genuine interest in helping support children through a difficult time. If you have childcare experience, a spare room and time and love to give to a local child, you could be part of Brighton & Hove's growing, vibrant, fostering community. Brighton & Hove City Council Fostering Team are proud to be a not for profit service. For more information and details of upcoming information events, visit www.fosteringinbrightonandhove.org.uk. Alternatively you can call 01273 295444 for an informal chat

***** PLEASE SEE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY NEXT PAGE *****

After School Clubs

Mon - French - Yrs Rec 1, 2 & 3 - Theatrix Yrs R, 1 & 2

Tue - Art Club Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Taekwondo **Weds**—Multiskills Yrs 1 & 2

Thurs Theatrix Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 **Fri**— Multisports Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

2019 INSET DAYS 23rd April 2019 & 3rd June 2019

Dates for Your Diary

PTA News

PTA Meeting White Horse - Wednesday March 13th 6PM

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Tuesday 19th March—**Year 3 & 4 Ashdown Forest Trip**

Wednesday 20th March — **Reception class Wilderness Wood Trip**

Monday 25th March — 3.30 **Year 6 SAT's meeting/Year 6 Maternity cover** in Year 6 classroom

Tuesday 26th March 10am **Years 2, 3 and 4 mass at OLOL church**

Year 4 Wild Beach project — 7th, 20th & 27th of March & 1st & 9th of April

Monday 8th April—3.30 **Year 6 Residential meeting in Year 6 classroom**

Spring Term ends

Tuesday 9th April 2019 (Last day of school)

Summer Term begins

24th April 2019 (23rd April is an INSET day so children are not in)

May Bank Holiday

6th May 2019

Weds 22nd —Fri 24th May Year 5 Residential Trip

Summer Half Term Holiday

27th — 31st May 2019

Thursday 6th June - **Class Photos**

Thursday 11th July — **Sports Day (Reception and KS1 morning/KS2 afternoon)**

Mon 17th — Fri 21st of June Year 6 Residential Trip

Summer Term ends

Friday 26th July 2019

Autumn Term begins

INSET 4th September 2019

Road Closure — See last week's dates for your diaries for full info

As mentioned last Friday traveling south through Rottingdean to the coast road will not be possible from 7pm tonight until late on Sunday as there are works being carried out in the area just south of the pond.

Drivers will be able to turn right into Whipping Post Lane (immediately after the Plough) to go back north on the Falmer Road.

***** PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENTS *****

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 01, 2019
1.45 – 2.45pm
The Arches

Agenda

13:45	Welcome and apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none">Minutes of last meeting	E Briggs
13.55	Parking petition update	EB/ S Nelson
14.10	School Marketing	Clive Mudd / Ruth Ali
14.25	Policy update <ul style="list-style-type: none">Homework policy	E Briggs N Stringer
14.35	A.O.B <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Year 4 swimming classes- School mass Date of next meeting - TBC	ALL M Nixon / H Thistlewhaite N Stringer

Please note: The Behavior, Anti-bullying and Homework policies are available to view either on the school's website <https://ourladyoflourdesprimaryschool.co.uk> or on the Parent Council Facebook Page.

To request printed copies to review, please contact the school office or email parentcouncil@lourdes.brighton-hove@sch.uk and paper copies will be put in your child's book bag.



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Tips to Stay Up To Date with School Communications

Contact Details

Make Sure the School have your correct Contact Details.

If your details have recently changed or you are in doubt that Our Lady of Lourdes have the correct contact details these can be updated by filling in a form available from the school reception.



PTA

The PTA is a friendly bunch of parents who have got together for the purpose of raising funds and making friends and having fun.

or via their [Facebook page](#) (Parents/Carers & Friends of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Rottingdean)
friends@ololpta.org.uk

School Newsletter

This has all the important school updates and dates for the calendar.

<https://ourladyoflourdesprimaryschool.co.uk/news/newsletter-archive/>



Class Updates

Important Letters and term details for each class can be viewed on Our Lady Of Lourdes Website under Information.

<https://ourladyoflourdesprimaryschool.co.uk>



Parent Council

Our Parent Council is an integral part of the school improvement process. It is a voice for parents to communicate with the school Senior Leadership and Governors to support the school development.

parentcouncil@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk
or via their [Facebook page](#) (Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Rottingdean – Parent Council)



Our Lady Of Lourdes use SchoolPing to send messages to all Parents/Carers. Please download this as soon as possible to start receiving school messages and notifications.

SchoolPing support number: 01273 201701