



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Primary School

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Newsletter Issue 10 Friday 14/02/2020 — see final page for important dates for your diary!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you're well. Events in school have moved on at pace since I last wrote. Monday saw the Eco Council taking whole school assembly with the support of Miss. Worsfold where we were told about all the environmental work that pupils are doing in pursuit of an Eco Kite Mark. This is a key part of our school's focus at the moment and has involved a great deal of work by pupils, staff and members of the Governing Body. The good news is that we're nearly there and will be looking at inviting the assessors before too much longer to validate our efforts and perhaps be awarded our Eco Schools Green Flag Award.

The assembly ended with a fantastic rendition of 'He's Got the Whole World in His Hands'. This communal singing in assembly will also be something that we continue as we move forward; the children clearly enjoyed singing together. We also saw the School Council meeting as part of their regular schedule. This meeting was also used as part of our self-evaluation process and some important feedback was given to me, which included pupil feelings about my own assemblies! I should evidently ask more questions and give out more certificates - certainly something to work on there.

It's also been superb to see pupils attending Sports Partnership Events and as the weather hopefully improves, there will be more opportunities for us to engage in fixtures and visits. Speaking of visits, many parents will know that Year 3 and 4 went on their trip to Drusillas earlier in the month. This has led to some fantastic written work which has developed key skills and also meant some discussions about the film "Zootropolis" which may make an appearance at some point later in the year; I'll certainly make sure I clear my diary for that.

This week we also had our Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes. To celebrate we went up to Mass with Fr. Benny where all the children, staff and some parishioners spent time as a community. It was wonderful. The children were exceptionally behaved and many thanks too to the parents who helped us with the walk up from school to the church.

Lastly, we've also had the coronavirus to contend with over the last few days. I hope parents and carers have felt reassured with the communication that we've sent home. Later in the newsletter is further guidance from Public Health England around this issue, which I hope will be helpful and alleviate any concerns that we may have.

Enjoy your weekend and half term and I'll see you on the 24th of February for the start of our next term at school. Thanks too for all of your continual support.

Paul

World Book Day is Thursday 5th March! Books offer the chance for people to learn, imagine new possibilities and shape their own futures. **Please pick a loved book to bring in and children are welcome to dress up as their favourite book character or wear pyjamas.** Voluntary £1.00 Donations will be welcome to support Book Aid International.

Last year our support helped purchase books for people in need across the world. We can't wait to share in the love of reading. ❤ Student Council

*** Please see the attachments regarding further guidance on the Coronavirus ***

Stars of the week

Rec - Aiden & Thiago
Yr1- Bethany & Noah
Yr2- All of Year 2
Yr3- All of Year 3
Yr4- Effie-Blue & Daisy
Yr5- Jasmine & Darek
Yr6- Phoenix & Adrian



Welcome to the first ever ECO NEWS section of the newsletter

Everyone here at Our Lady of Lourdes have been working very hard make our school the best Eco friendly school that we can be. Did you know that we have an Eco Council made up from pupils from each year group that meet regularly to discuss our Eco concerns and how we can work together to make things better? Each class has an Eco suggestion box and this is fed back to the staff and governors about the issues that are important to the pupils and the changes that they want to make within the school and their local community.

Recently they have been focusing on recycling and wanted the school (and parents and carers!) to recycle more! So now the school has a Terra recycling point (special thanks to Michelle, Alex's mum who generously purchased the recycle bin) which recycles all our unwanted crisp packets and a battery recycling collection point as well.

Did you know that this week is also Climate Emergency Week which encourages youth to have a voice about their planet and future. On Monday Miss Worsfold led a special assembly with the Eco Council and launched our brand new Eco code. All children were invited to design an image, a slogan and a catchy code which was then voted on by the students of OLOL. A huge congratulations to Joshua in Year 6 for his wonderful Eco logo and code - 'Don't be lame - Sustain'

We have so many initiatives and events in the pipeline so please check our regular feature in the Newsletter to hear about what we are doing next and how you can get involved.
Love the Eco Committee

Blanaid McCauley SSL

I am a religious sister of the Institute of the Sisters of St Louis. After a long association with primary education in England, I feel I have much to offer as newly appointed Governor to Our Lady of Lourdes school in Rottingdean. Having qualified as a primary school teacher in my early years I served as a teacher in Aylesbury, Gt Yarmouth and Newmarket where I was headteacher for 24 years before retiring in 1999. Since my retirement I spent a time of sabbatical in our mission in Brazil before coming to Brighton to act as Catholic Chaplain to the University of Brighton for a period of 17 years. I am the current leader for our sisters here in England where my primary responsibility is their care and welfare. I feel honoured and privileged to be invited to be a foundation governor for Our Lady of Lourdes school. I care passionately about the formation and development of our young people especially children from their earliest years in primary education. The promotion of Catholic education is a priority for me.



After School Clubs

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

Tue - Taekwondo

Weds - Multiskills Rec-& Yr 1

Thurs - Theatrix Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6

Fri - Multisports Yrs 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

*** 2020 INSET DAYS 3rd April, 1st June & 22nd July ***

Dates for Your Diary

FEBRUARY

*** Half Term Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February ***

Wednesday 26th February — Whole School Mass at 10am OLOL Church

MARCH

Thursday 5th March — World Book Day

Monday 9th March - Year 5 & 6 Trip to Newhaven Fort

PTA NEWS

Our next PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th February at 6.30pm at the school. Everyone is welcome to join us. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute any ideas, please e-mail the PTA at friends@ololpta.org.uk

Quiz Night is back for 2020! We are planning to hold a PTA Quiz Night on Friday 27th March. If you are interested, please make a note in your diary and a letter will be sent out after half term with more details

Please see attached a new Breakfast Club form which has details of changes on booking and payment details.

Also see the Dessert Menu change for Tuesday 25th of February — Pancakes

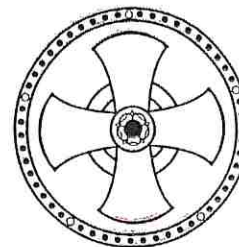
*** PLEASE NOTE THE BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY DATE CHANGE FROM MONDAY 4TH OF MAY TO FRIDAY THE 8TH OF MAY. ***

*** Please see attachments ***



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February 2020

Our Lady of Lourdes Breakfast Club

Please be advised that we can only take children in breakfast club who are booked in. The reason for this is that additional children require more staffing. Therefore, we need to know in advance the numbers attending breakfast club.

We are aware that there may be occasions when there is a last minute need for breakfast club. In this case please may we ask that you contact Our Lady of Lourdes School Office on 01273 306980.

Please note the following:-

- The starting time for breakfast club is 7.40am, we can not accommodate an earlier start for any children without a prior written request.
- Breakfast is served from 7.55am until 8.20am.

Over this school year we will be improving the process of booking and paying for Breakfast Club. The first change is the introduction of BACS payments. Please ensure that the reference code of BFC with your child's initial and surname (eg BFC HPOTTER) is used for BACS payments.

Account details are on the Breakfast Club Booking Form. As previously, bookings are confirmed with payment and non-payment may result in your child's place being withdrawn.

Thank you

Paul Barber
Headteacher

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES BREAKFAST CLUB BOOKING FORM

Breakfast Club starts at 7.40a.m. Children will be supervised, served with a healthy breakfast, provided with quiet activities and escorted to their classroom at 8.40a.m. The cost is £3.00 per day. To book a place, please complete the form below and hand it to the school office.

Child's name.....Class.....

Please book a place for my child at Breakfast Club on the following days for the term period - Monday 24th February - Thursday 2nd April 2020.

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

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Payment for the term: (29 days) £87.00

Payment with Childcare Vouchers

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Sessions at £3.00 = £
Dates:

My child has the following food allergies:

Emergency Contact Telephone Number: 1

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Signed.....Parent/Carer

- Please return this form to the school office a.s.a.p. with
- Cheques payable to Our Lady of Lourdes School
- BACS payments Account Name: BHCC - Our Lady of Lourdes
Account Number: 10797660 Sort Code: 30-80-12 and use the reference BFC and
your child's initial and surname (eg BFC HPOTTER)
- Cash must be in a clearly labelled envelope (child's name, breakfast club, dates
and cash total
- Please complete this form even if you have already paid for this
Term.

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Further Guidance on Coronavirus:

You're likely aware of the outbreak of novel coronavirus in China and the subsequent confirmed cases in the UK. At Our Lady of Lourdes, we take the health and safety of our pupils and staff very seriously, so we're sharing further support from Public Health England on steps we should be taking.

There's currently no cause for concern at the school, but we'll keep you informed about any developments and ensure we're keeping the school clean to prevent the spread of any virus.

Prevent the spread of infection

Make sure you and your children follow these general principles to prevent spreading any respiratory virus:

- Wash your hands often – with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- If you feel unwell, stay at home and don't attend work or school
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in a bin
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces in the home
- If you're worried about your symptoms, please call NHS 111 – don't go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment

If you or your children have returned from anywhere in Hubei province in past 14 days

If you or your children are currently well:

- Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with flu viruses
- Call NHS 111 to inform them of your recent travel to the area
- Your other family members don't need to take any precautions or make any changes to their own activities

If you become unwell:

- Please call NHS 111 immediately in order for you to be assessed by an appropriate specialist in hospital, as quickly as possible

If you or your children have returned from a specified country in last 14 days

The specified countries are:

- China (other than Hubei)
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Macau
- Malaysia
- Singapore
- South Korea

- Taiwan
- Thailand

If you or your children are well:

- You don't need to avoid contact with other people
- Your other family members don't need to take any precautions or make any changes to their own activities

If you become unwell:

- Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with other flu viruses
- Follow the advice found
- Call NHS 111 immediately in order for you to be assessed by an appropriate specialist in hospital, as quickly as possible

Symptoms to look out for

If you've returned from the specified countries or Hubei, look out for the following symptoms:

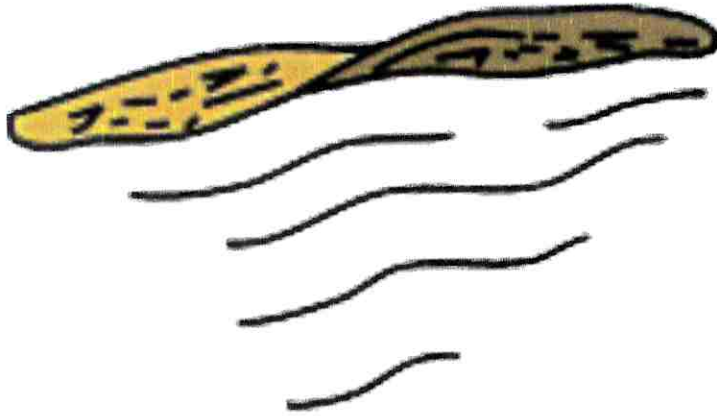
- Cough
- Difficulty in breathing
- Fever (a temperature of 38 degrees C or higher)

If you have any of these symptoms:

- If it's an emergency, call 999 and tell them which country you have returned from in the past 14 days
- If you're unwell, but it's not an emergency, call NHS 111 and tell them which country you have returned from in the past 14 days

While you wait for further advice:

- Avoid contact with others
- Stay at home – don't go to work or school
- Don't travel while sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing, throwing tissues in the bin
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available)



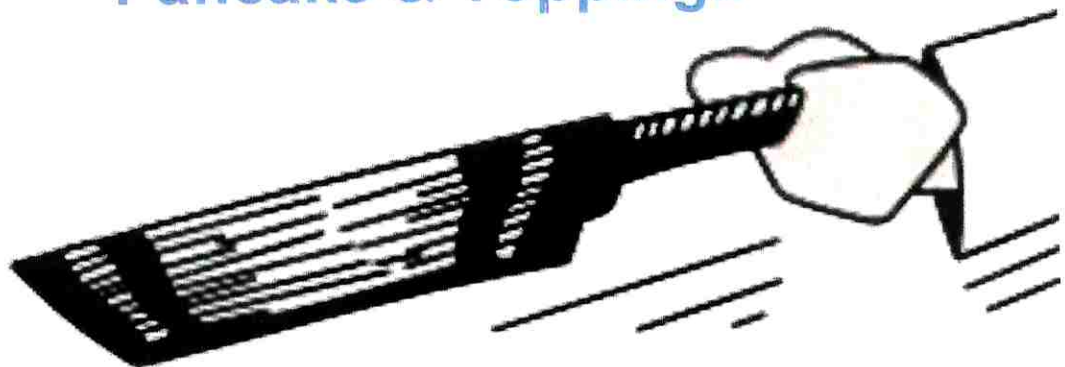
Pancake Day **Tuesday 25th February**

Farm Assured Beefburger in a Bun
with Homemade Jacket Wedges

Vegetable Pasta Bake

Sweetcorn & Coleslaw

Pancake & Toppings



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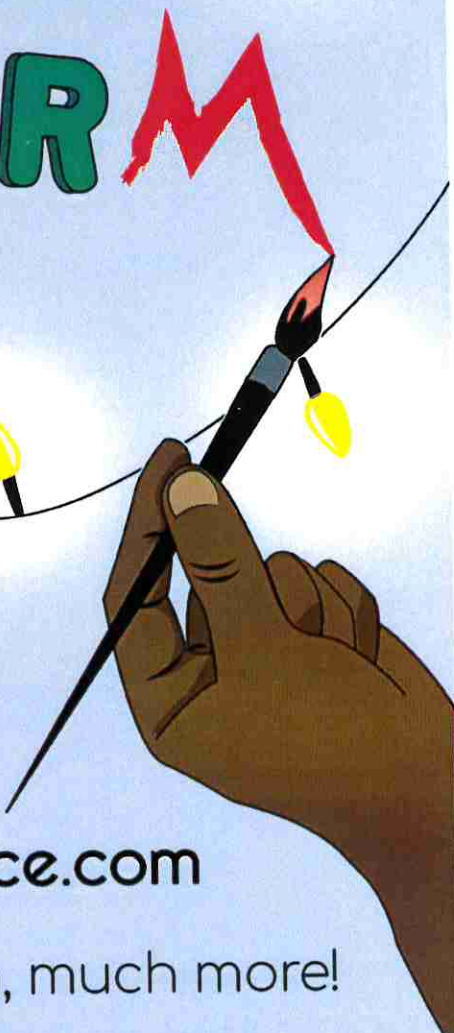
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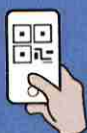
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