



# Newsletter

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In Our Lady's Catholic Primary School we learn about God and try to follow his footsteps by showing care and respect for one another.

## Autumn Term Dates

19th Nov	<b>Football After School Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
20th Nov	Homework Club (Y3&4)
20th Nov	<b>Netball Club (Y6)</b>
21st Nov	Homework Club (Y5&6)
21st Nov	<b>Swimming for SWALLOW</b>
23rd Nov	Tennis After School Club (Y1&2)
27th Nov	<b>'The Library Lion' Trip—HERON</b>
27th Nov	Homework Club (Y3&4)
27th Nov	<b>Netball Club (Y5)</b>
28th Nov	Swimming for SWALLOW
28th Nov	<b>Homework Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
29th Nov	Advent Service—PUFFIN
30th Nov	<b>PTFA Christmas Trees to decorate go on sale</b>
4th Dec	Netball Club (Y6)
4th Dec	<b>Homework Club (Y3&amp;4)</b>
5th Dec	Last Swimming for SWALLOW
5th Dec	<b>Homework Club (Y5&amp;6)</b>
5th Dec	Scholastic Book Fair—School Hall 3.15pm (until 12th Dec)
7th Dec	<b>PTFA Bingo—6pm</b>
10th Dec	Last Football After School Club
11th Dec	<b>Tiverton Museum Trip—PUFFIN</b>
11th Dec	Netball Club (Y5)
11th Dec	<b>Last Homework Club (Y3&amp;4)</b>
12th Dec	Last Homework Club (Y5&6)
17th Dec	<b>Whole School Mass—St Mary's—10am</b>
19th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
20th Dec	<b>Nativity to Parents—St Mary's 10.30am</b>
21st Dec	PTFA Non School Uniform Day
21st Dec	<b>PTFA Children's Chocolate Raffle</b>
21st Dec	Judging of decorated paper Christmas Trees
21st Dec	<b>Last day of term</b>
7th Jan	Children and Staff Return

## Primary Admissions 2019/20

**Was your child born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015?**

Applications can be made from 15th November for a primary school place for September 2019. You must apply for your child's school place by 15th January 2019 for primary school admissions in September 2019.

You can apply for a school place online at:  
**[www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)**  
Or

If you cannot access the school admissions website you can get more information by calling the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019 or by emailing :-  
[primaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk](mailto:primaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk).

If you need help applying online or haven't got internet access at home please contact the school, we would be more than happy to help you. You can view your offer on-line from 16th April 2019.

**Please ensure that the 2019 Supplementary Form for this school is returned to the school office by 15th January 2019. This form is available from the school office, Barn a B's Pre-School or via the school's website:- [www.ourladys.devon.sch.uk](http://www.ourladys.devon.sch.uk) under 'Key Documents' and in the 'Admissions' section.**

**Without this form your child may be lower in the priorities for admission and risk not getting a place at Our Lady's School.**

**Thank you to everyone that helped support our 'Spotty Day' for Children in Need today.**

### Citizen of the Week

This term we are rewarding the very best citizens in the school. These children demonstrate the values of being a British citizen. They make the most of their opportunities in school using their voice to help others and engage fully in the life of the school.



We will be announcing the Citizen of the week at Prayer and Praise on a Thursday. All Citizens will receive a certificate and their photo will be displayed around the school outside their class on the British Values board.

Very well done to the following children who are our Citizens of the week since our last newsletter:

Lola Meech  
Lilly-Rose Dunlop  
Pablo Wright-Inarejos  
Lowen Rolfe  
Peter James Moore-Webb  
Poppy Dunlop  
Oliver Lear  
Amy-Lou Trickey  
Jamie Gibson  
Maya Osumek  
Lexie-Mae Dunlop  
Isla Lowry  
Rosa Wells  
Leo Davies  
Archie Jewell  
Stanley Sargent  
Jamie Gibson  
Nicola Osumek  
Gabby McFadden



### PE Stars of the Week

Each week Miss Sloman presents certificates to children to whom she has awarded 'PE Star of the Week' to. Well



done to the following children who have received these certificates since the last newsletter:-

Elena Gwynn  
Tong Chen  
Kori Skinner  
Maci Loder-Reid

**Santa Stroll or run!**

Woolacombe Beach  
**SUN 9 DEC**  
STROLL OR RUN ALONG THE BEACH  
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY  
INCLUDING YOUR DOG!

**SIGN UP ONLINE NOW**  
[northdevonhospice.org.uk](http://northdevonhospice.org.uk)

**Early Bird Offer until 18/11 - Adults £10/Children £5**  
**Adults £12/Children £7/Dogs £5**  
Entry includes Santa Suit (or Christmas bandana for your dog)

being there for all the family  
registered charity no.286554

### Top Reading Tips

Read whenever you get the chance.

Have a book or magazine with you for any time your child has to wait, like at the doctor's dentist or on a journey.



## School Clubs

Letters for clubs have been sent out recently. Below are the clubs that are running this half term, the finishing time, the adult responsible and the start date for the club.

**Monday** Football Club (Yr3-5) (4.15pm)  
Miss Sloman (Fee)

**Tuesday** Homework (Yr 3&4) (4.15pm)  
Mr Meech and Staff

Netball (Yr 5&6) (4.30pm)  
Yr5 15/11, 29/11 & 11/12  
Yr6 20/11 & 4/12  
Mrs Houle

**Wednesday** Homework (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm)  
Mr Meech and Staff

**Friday** Tennis (Y1&2) (4.15pm)  
Miss Sloman (Fee)

**Please ensure that you collect your child promptly at club finishing time.**

Children entitled to free school meals (ie children whose parents receive certain benefits such as Income Support, Job Seeker's Allowance and other relevant benefits) are also entitled to receive a 50% discount towards the cost of these after school clubs and music tuition.

**Puffin Class will be leading our Advent Assembly on Thursday 29th November. All parents, carers, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend from 9.15am.**

### Congratulations

**Very well done to the following children who have recently achieved Headteacher Awards:**

Nnenna Amandiogu  
Charlie Morris  
Mia Thorne  
Adrianna Stancic  
Ava Holtmann  
Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd  
Zuzanna Filipczyk  
Alfie Boreham  
Mylee Denning



**We are very proud of you.**

## Scholastic Book Fair



Make sure you visit our book fair that will take place in the school hall after school from **Wednesday 5th December**. The book fair will run until **Wednesday 12th December**. You will be receiving leaflets home shortly, detailing the books that will be available to purchase together with money off vouchers. We will also give each child attending the Book Fair the opportunity to go in a prize draw to win a £5 voucher.

An ideal opportunity to purchase some books for Christmas presents!

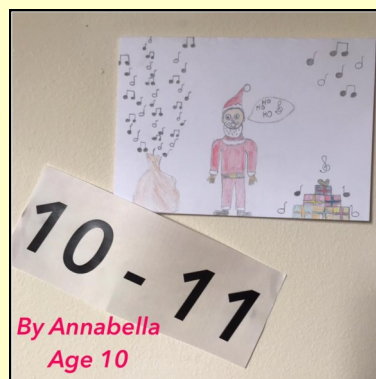
Supporting this event will help provide the school with new books. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible there.

### Congratulations Annabella

We are very proud of Annabella Trickey who was announced as Winner of The Voice FM 2018 Christmas Card Competition for the 10-11 age category.

All the cards are on display in The Queens Theatre in Barnstaple.

Annabella has been invited to go into The Voice Radio studio over the next couple of Sundays at 3 for a chat and to collect her Family Panto Ticket prizes. Well done Annabella.







### Barn-a-b's at Our Lady's

Please can you make sure you are up to date with your 30 hour codes. If you would like any more hours please contact Jen in the school office. Spaces are very limited now, which also makes changes difficult to organise, but always come and talk to us and we will see what we can do.

If your child is in at 12noon and wants a school dinner, this will be booked by 9am on the day. If you need to cancel the dinner, please let us know before 9am on the day your child was due to receive it or you will be charged (£1.50 per meal). Alternatively using the Scopay system is quick and easy. Please see a member of the school admin team if you need any assistance with logging onto the system.

The Dental Health Nursing Team are visiting us again to replenish stocks and check we are doing a good job of brushing our teeth.

The Talk for Writing Project and our letters and sounds programme are having a very positive impact on your children's language and literacy skills. Please ask them about the Fox and Rosie the Hen and ask about the sounds they have been learning. We are thrilled to be seeing such good writing going on everywhere!

### School Jumpers

We are noticing that some children are not wearing the correct school uniform jumpers. Children should not be coming to school in any jumpers or cardigans other than the school ones. We have new jumpers available to purchase from the school office for either £14.50 or £15.50 each.

We currently have a small stock of good quality second hand jumpers that we can sell to parents for £2. These have been kindly donated to us by parents and once these are gone they are gone.

Please see Mrs Silverlock in the school office if you would like to purchase any jumpers.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter, we take a great pride in our school uniform

### Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 19th December at a cost of £2.30 (except for Reception and KS1 children who receive free school meals). If you would like your child to have a school Christmas lunch, turkey and all the trimmings, on this day please book with Mrs Mallaband-Whitham in the school kitchen by Friday 7th December.



Letters with booking slips will be sent home shortly. Even if your child normally receives school dinners and/or free school meals, please ensure that this festive lunch is booked separately. Children and staff are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper for the day at no charge.

## Christmas Lunch



Weds 19th Dec

Farm Assured Roast Turkey  
or  
Vegetarian Yule Log



Traditional Sage and Onion Stuffing  
Chipolata Sausage  
Roast Gravy  
Roast Potatoes  
Honey Roast Parsnips  
Button Sprouts  
Carrot Batons & Garden Peas

Festive Shortbread Biscuit with  
a Clementine  
or  
Christmas Sponge and Creamy Custard

Chartwells



### Reach for the Stars!

Well done to the following children who had achievements in the following areas:

Well done to **Ivy Hleza** who was awarded a medal and certificate for being the 'Most Improved' at Tarka Gymnastics. **Ivy** also received a certificate of investiture for her Beaver Group.

It is wonderful to be able to celebrate the hard work and talents of our pupils. Children are invited to bring in their certificates, medals and good news on a Thursday morning so that they can be given out at assembly and celebrated in the school newsletter.

### Dyslexia Tips

Dyslexic children will often write words where the word sounds right but looks wrong:-

with	wiv
was	wos
they	thay

Dyslexic children often forget silent letters when they spell:-

stick	stik
white	wite
friends	frends
huge	hug

**May the Lord bless you and take care of you;**

**May the Lord be kind and gracious to you;**

**May the Lord look on you with favour and  
give you peace.**

**Amen**

**The next newsletter will go home on:**

**Friday 30th November 2018**

### Attendance

Congratulations to **PUFFIN** who have the highest attendance so far this year at **97.7%** closely followed by **SWALLOW** at **97.6%** and **EAGLE** at **97.4%**.

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

Whole school attendance for the academic year so far is **97%**.

### PTFA Christmas Events

We have some fun events planned in the lead up to Christmas:-

#### Christmas Bingo and Raffle

Friday 7th December at 6pm for 6.30pm start. More information will be sent home shortly but please could we ask for donations to enable us to make up our hamper prizes and prizes for the raffle. Any bottles (alcoholic preferably!), chocolates, Christmas crackers, biscuits, smellies, Christmas puddings, cakes and mince pies. Please bring any items to the school office.

#### Decorate a Christmas Tree Competition

Paper trees can be purchased from 30th November for £1 for display in the hall by Monday 17th December. Prize winners will be announced on Friday 21st December.

#### Children's Chocolate Raffle and Non Uniform Day

Friday 21st December. Any chocolate donations for this event will be gratefully received. Children can pay £1 and wear what they like for the day.

Thank you to everyone who helps support our PTFA events which help raise funds for the school to purchase Chromebooks, events and treats for our children.

We are always grateful for any offers of help with any of our PTFA events. If you are able to help any of these events please see Laura Hobson, Chair of the PTFA.

The PTFA are dedicated to raising funds for the school and your children.

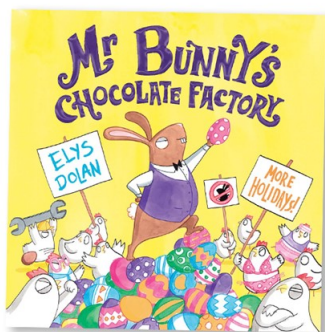


Why not try one of these recommended reads, winners of the 2018 Readers Awards:-

# THE WINNERS



Some of our younger children may enjoy these lovely books:-



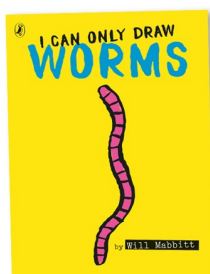
## MR BUNNY'S CHOCOLATE FACTORY

How do you think chocolate eggs are made? They're made in a factory full of cheerful hens who eat lots of chocolate and lay lovely eggs all day long. That is – until the owner, Mr Bunny, gets greedy. He wants MORE MONEY! MORE CHOCOLATE! RIGHT NOW! Soon the poor hens are working night and day. And then the hens go on strike...



## OI CAT!

Frog says: cats sit on gnats, dogs sit on logs, raccoons sit on macaroons, armadillos sit on pillows and chicks sit on bricks. But wait! That's fine if you're an armadillo, but Cat doesn't like sitting on gnats. They keep biting his bottom! Will Frog and Dog let him change the rules?



## I CAN ONLY DRAW WORMS!

Will Mabbitt can't draw *anything*. He can't draw children. He can't draw kittens. He can't draw flowers. The only things he can draw are worms – that is, wobbly pink lines. But don't laugh. Or, actually, *do* laugh. These worms might look like wonky drinking straws, but they do heaps of super-silly things that you can't even imagine...