



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.

Thank you

It has been another busy year so I would like to take the time to say thank you to everyone involved in our wonderful community. We should all be very proud of the fantastic school we have and we would like to say thank you all for the support you give to the children and staff.

I am lucky to have an amazing team who support each and every child to be the very best they can be and we were delighted that this was recognized in our OFSTED Report this year. We are going off to re-charge our batteries but we will be back raring to go in September!

For those not coming back in September I would like to say thank you and good luck in your new adventures. We will be sad to see our wonderful Year 6 children leave but we know they are ready to fly the nest and be brilliant in their new schools.

We are also saying goodbye to two much loved members of staff who have served our community with passion and love. We wish Mrs Trim and Mrs Jones all the very best for their future.

I wish you all a happy and peaceful summer!

God Bless

Rob Meech, Principal

Dates for your Diary

19th Jul	PTFA Ice-Cream Friday 3.15pm
20th Jul	Year 6 Leavers Mass 10am
21st Jul	Sports Day (Pilton Com College) 10am
3rd Sept	School Open for Uniform Sales
4th Sept	School Open for Uniform Sales
5th Sept	Autumn term 2019/20 begins
9th Sept	ROBIN Class Commence
9th Sept	Flute Lessons Commence
10th Sept	Guitar Lessons Commence

Head Boy and Head Girl

Head Boy— Adam Lawlor-Smith

Head Girl— Annabella Trickey

Deputy Head Boy—George Roberts

Deputy Head Girl— Lola Meech

Well done to the above pupils who have carried out their responsibilities and duties superbly.

Congratulations

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

Soloman Davey	Nathan Davis
Chloe-Jo Rippon	Blake Moore
Amber McClure	Kori Skinner
Freddie Pattenden	Liam Angell
Jessica Lake	Finlay Silverlock
Reese Elshout	Archie Jewell
Tianna Marozwa	



We are very proud of you.

School returns for Pupils to commence the Autumn Term on **Thursday 5th September 2019**. Reception Children start on **Monday 9th**.

Our Lady's School takes incidents of bullying, including on-line safety seriously. For further information the school's policy is available on our website or please see your child's class teacher if you have any concerns. www.safer.internet.org.uk

Year 6 Leavers Mass 2019
Monday 22nd July 10.00am

This celebration Mass is for all members of our school community; children, staff, parents, parishioners and governors.

You can meet us at St Mary's Church for a 10.00am start or help accompany our children from school to church on the day. Please contact your child's class teacher if you can help walk down, otherwise we'll see you there.



Reach for the Stars!

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

Congratulations to **Amy-Lou Trickey** who received an award for achieving Level 6 proficiency in Trampolining.

Well done to **Summer-Jayne Robins-Ridd** who was awarded a medal for taking part in a competition for Bideford Blues Football Club.

Congratulations to **Bethan Silverlock** who was awarded a finishers medal for completing a Junior Triathlon (Swim/Bike/Run) and for achieving a silver medal in the girls U10 category at the Torridgeside Amateur Swimming Club Gala.

Well done to **Finlay Silverlock** who was awarded a finishers medal for completing a Scootathlon (Scoot/Bike/Run).

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.

Sports Day—Tuesday 23rd July

This day will be held on the school field at Pilton Community College between 10am and 2pm on Tuesday 24th July. Children should come to school wearing their PE kits and should have a sunhat, suncream, plenty of water, packed lunch (unless a school packed lunch has been booked) and a waterproof coat. If it is looking like it will be sunny and any parents can lend us easy to put up gazebos to keep the children in the shade please speak to your class teacher.

If you can help accompany our children on the walk to and from PCC, please contact your child's class teacher. Parents who wish to take children home after the presentations at 2pm on the day must collect their children from their class teacher. Children will have their lunch at around 12.15. Children who's parents are not attending sports day will be walking back to school to be collected at normal finishing time of 3.15pm.

Prayer and Praise changes from Sept

We have changed the format for the Prayer and Praise assemblies for next term. Instead of Thursday morning prayer and praise will be split over two separate assemblies as follows:-

Monday 9.15am Whole School Prayer Assembly
Friday 9.15am Whole School Praise Assembly

All parents/carers, grandparents and friends are very welcome to attend.

The next newsletter will go home on: Friday 13th September 2019

School Council

Thank you to the School Council for their hard work and enthusiasm towards improving their school for the benefit of all pupils. Thanks go to:-

HERON Ivy Hleza
Finlay Silverlock

PUFFIN Reggie Staddon
Harriet Routley

OWL Bailey Gwynn
Ana Presobhan

EAGLE Amy-Lou Trickey
Romeo Hleza

KINGFISHER Caitlyn Clarkson
Roe Hawkins

SWALLOW Annabella Trickey
Charlie Jeffery

House Captains

Thank you for the commitment of the House Captains in promoting good citizenship this year.

St Cecelia: Hayden Rigler & Kodi Harmer

St Anthony: Freddie Coates-Scott & Lottie Parker

St Bernadette: Alex Sim & Arianne Henry

St John Fisher: Matthew Smith & Ella Pawley

Goodbye and good luck to all the pupils, parents and staff who are leaving us at the end of term. May you be blessed with much joy and happiness in the years ahead.

We wish you all a safe and happy summer

Football Team Success

Our brilliant football team made up of Year 6 and Year 5 boys were overall runners up in the Nortyh Devon School competition. Well done to George Roberts, Lewis Wonnacott, Cody Wonnacott, Alfie Gating, Matthew Smith, Lewis Langley, Harvey Dennis, Hayden Rigler and Roe Hawkins.



Saturday Science Club

Silly Senses

Fun & hands-on science at Barnstaple Library

July 20th 1-3pm £15per child drop off workshop

Book via the website here:
<https://Sciencedipity.as.me/sillysensesbarnstaple>

Enquiries to: sciencedipity@outlook.com or call/text 07847006048

Make neurones*
Optical illusions
Test your scents
Trick your hearing
Make sherbet*
Touchy-feely non newtonian fluids*
(*take home items)

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CREST AWARDS

School Uniform

As we approach a new school year, many parents will already be purchasing items of school uniform. Jumpers, PE T-shirts, PE Hoodies, PE Kit Bags, Water Bottles and Book Bags can all be purchased direct from the school office or on-line via your SCOPAY account. All other items can be purchased at the supermarkets. At Our Lady's, part of our identity is our school uniform, and we pride ourselves in this. Therefore, I urge parents to ensure that children are sent to school wearing the correct, labelled uniform in September. The required school uniform, including the correct PE kit is:

Girls

Navy blue pinafore or pleated skirt
School Navy/Sky Jumper
White blouse—short or long sleeves with buttons
Socks or Tights—navy
Shoes—black school shoes (not trainers)
Summer: Blue and white checked dress (from Asda)

Boys

Grey tailored trousers/ grey shorts
School Navy Jumper
Blue shirt or blue Polo shirt
Navy Blue Tie (to be worn with shirt)
Socks—grey
Shoes—black school shoes (not trainers)

PE Kit for Girls and Boys

Trainers
School PE T-Shirt
Navy Shorts
School PE Hoodie (Optional)
Navy Tracksuit Bottoms can be worn in cold weather

Samuel Daw, in Cross Street, offers an embroidery service from only £2-3 per initials. It takes about twenty minutes and can be done while you wait. It may be just the answer for ensuring that your child can recognise their school jumper among over 200! It is perfectly acceptable to have your child's initials embroidered underneath the neck on the back of the jumper.

Jewellery, with the exception of watches and small stud earrings, is not allowed. Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

Samuel Daws are now no longer selling our School Jumpers and PE T-Shirts. We are holding a stock of these in school and these can be purchased from the school office. All other items of uniform can be purchased from local supermarkets. Mrs Silverlock will be available in the school office until school breaks up on Wednesday 24th July and on two days before the children return to school on Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September. Children return for the Autumn Term on Thursday 5th September.

Reception class children start on Monday 9th September.

Please purchase new water bottles, book bags, Jumpers, PE T-Shirts, PE Hoodies or PE Kit Bags from the school office (cash or cheque only) or Via your SCOPAY Account if paying by card as required.

Music Tuition

We are able to offer various music lessons from outside tutors. If your child is interested in learning any musical instrument, and will be in Year 3 upwards then please inform the office. Lessons will commence in September and can be individual or group. The price will vary on timings and group sizes. If your child is eligible for Pupil premium, then the school will subsidise the lesson.

Music lessons available are: Flute, Violin, Guitar, and Keyboard. If there is sufficient interest in another instrument not mentioned then we will see if tuition can be arranged.

Please note this is for Year 3 upwards with the exception of guitar lessons which are available from Year 1

Just inform the office in writing what is required stating child's name, class and lesson/instrument required.



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

If your child is starting school in September, we will be giving you a copy of your child's transition document. A copy will go to the Robin's teacher, Mrs Jury to help her and Mrs Laird get a picture of your child. This ensures a smooth transition and helps to give them the best start.

All new Robins should have an appointment with Mrs Jury booked in for either Thursday 5th or Friday 6th September. There will be no school for the Robins on these two days. School will start full time on Monday 9th September. We are looking forward to seeing all the new Robins dressed in their uniforms. They have been a delightful class.

We wish all our children an enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming you back again in September.

Attendance

The attendance rates for all our classes for the academic year 2018/19 are as follows:-

Robin	95.0%
Heron	94.8%
Puffin	96.0%
Owl	95.6%
Eagle	96.4%
Kingfisher	96.3%
Swallow	95.8%
School Total	95.9%

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

Barn-a-b's Uniform

Don't forget the new Barn a B's sweatshirts are available to purchase from the school office for £10. We are recommending that you team these with yellow polo shirts (available from most supermarkets).

**Saturday 13 July 10.00-5.00 –
Summer Reading Challenge launch.**

Just drop by for lots of fun & join the Summer Reading Challenge.

**Monday 29 July 10.00-12.00 –
Children's drop-in crafts Free**

**Thursday 1 August 10.00-11.00 &
11.30-12.30 – The Plough Theatre
Workshop – Aliens Love Underpants.**
Come along to bring this silly story to life through drama using fun props and costume with The Plough Theatre.
Suitable for ages 3-6.
Tickets £6.50- Book and pay at the library.



The Reading Agency and Libraries Present
SPACE CHASE
Summer Reading Challenge 2019

**Monday 5 August Multiple sessions
9.30am, 11.00am, 12.30pm, 2.00pm –
Space Lab Pop-up Planetarium**
Join us at Barnstaple Library for an exciting virtual trip to outer space without leaving the library! Inside the Space Lab, the sophisticated planetarium projector projects the beautiful starry and moonlit night sky. The talks are all conducted in the exciting environment of the planetarium right inside the library.
Suitable for 5-12s. £3 per person (inc adults) must be booked in advance at the library.

#SummerReadingChallenge



Summer Events Barnstaple Library

**Tuesday 6 August 10.00-12.00 –
Children's drop-in crafts Free**

**Wednesday 7 August 2.00-3.00 –
Mama G's storytime by Petite Panto**
Come and join Mama G at Barnstaple Library for story time with a difference. Combining panto, drag and the traditional art of story-telling. Mama G will be sharing tales that celebrate being who you are and loving who you want.
Suitable for 3+ and their families. FREE.
Booking essential as places are limited.
Book your places at the library.

**Wednesday 14 August 10.00-12.00 –
Children's drop-in crafts Free**

**Thursday 15 August 2.00-3.00
– The Book-Keepers Dance
and Storytelling Meet The
Book Keepers - Pippy and
Lizzibella - tellers of tantalising
tales and guardians of the
intriguingly ingenious
StoryGenerator. Suitable for
ages 4-10. Book your place at
the library. Suggested
donation on the day £2-5.**



**Friday 16 August 10.00-4.00
(sharing performance at 3.30pm) –
The Plough Theatre Workshop –
Astronaut Academy Astronaut**
Academy is the ultimate space station school of the future. Students can study rocket science, anti gravity gymnastics, competitive fireball throwing, strategic randomness and more! Based on the story by Dave Roman. Sharing performance at 3.30pm for parents and grandparents.
Suitable for ages 8-12.
Tickets £7.50-Book and pay at the library.

**Monday 19 August 10.00-12.00 –
Children's drop-in crafts Free**

**Thursday 22 August 10.30-11.30 –
Boo To a Goose presents Space
Cats! This show is a sensory delight
with projected coloured lights and
delightful songs and music, help with
scientific experiments! There will be
plenty of moon slime! Tickets £4 per
child over 6 months. Book and pay at
the library. Adults and accompanying
babies under 6 months free.**

**Thursday 29 August 10.00-12.00 –
Children's drop-in crafts Free**

**Friday 30 August – Summer
Reading Challenge Finishers' Party**

#SpaceChase



FABLAB Barnstaple TASTER SESSIONS



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Are you interested in using the FabLab?

Are you unsure what a FabLab is?

Book for a taster session and see what you can make.

The possibilities are endless.

Make your ideas happen!

August 31st =

10am Laser cutter, 11am Vinyl cutter, 12pm 3D Printing,

130pm Laser cutter, 230pm Vinyl cutter, 330pm 3D Printing



£10
1 hour 1:1
10yrs+

To book go to: fablabdevon.org/events-workshops or
www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/fablab-devon-6722521537



Summer Holiday Activities

Barnstaple Library Live High Altitude Balloon Tracking and Screening

Henry
Williamson
Room
2nd Floor

High Altitude Ballooning is an activity that involves sending an unmanned probe into near space, to capture images and to record data. The launch is scheduled for Friday the 26th July 2019 at around 10:00 am. Library screening shall start from 9:45am and finish at 11am. Dates and timings are subject to receiving Civil Aviation authority, weather and technical difficulty of course. The Barnstaple Library will show the live tracking map as well the SSDV page which shall show photos captured. Don't miss out on this amazing free insight into near space!

Check out the two day workshop here:
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/high-altitude-ballooning-workshop-tickets-63103356839

PLYMOUTH DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND^H 2019

Lassies and Lads CELEBRATING ...

Its time to come and rally ... Youth 8-17 years

St Rita's Centre, Honiton, EX14 1AP

YOUTH ADMISSIONS: £5.00

13.00-18.30 All welcome

to come and enjoy

Come Help create the Fun!

Parents - come and enjoy some moments of peace, reflection - and good cake!
same time and venue, but inviting you to your own space celebrating you new found freedom.



Fun. Making friends, Being with friends ...

It's -a-knockout, tug-of-war, netball, football and skittles competitions. Along with a bouncy castle, gladiators, bungee run and including a BBQ and Youth mass celebration with Bishop Mark



FAMILIES COME AND ENJOY THE DAY, BE PART OF IT AND BE APART FROM IT WITH TIME FOR YOU...



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