



# 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.

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You can also now follow Our Lady's on Facebook. Please search for us at **OLCS Barnstaple**

## Congratulations

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

Lola Meech	Kyle Tucker
Alfie Gating	Todd Thorne
Dolton Parkhouse	Harvey Moore
Taylor-Mai McGinlay	Adam Dyer
Will Harman	Charlie Elshout
Sophie Phillips	Maddison Daniel
Megan Conneely	Millie Harley
Summer-Jayne Robins-	Dakota Skinner
Ridd x2	Lexi-Mae Dunlop
Soloman Davey	Chloe Brown
Brooke Logan	Scarlett Rudge
Ryan Davis	Pixie Barnett
Oskar Czechowski	

**We are very proud of you**



## Attendance

Congratulations to **KINGFISHER** and **OWL** classes who have the highest attendance for the whole year at **96.9%** closely followed by **EAGLE** class at **96.8%**.



## Dates

A reminder that Prayer and Praise takes place every Thursday morning from 9.15am. All parents, carers and friends are welcome.

9th June	ROBIN Class Trip to Exmoor Zoo
13th June	<b>SWALLOW Class at Lifeskills</b>
14th June	Sports Premium Swimming for KINGFISHER & SWALLOW Class
14th June	<b>Holy Communion Session 5-6pm</b>
15th June	SWALLOW to Pilton Community College 9-12 (Intake Day)
15th June	<b>HERON Class Trip to Rosemoor</b>
15th June	Parenting Group 1.15-3pm
16th June	<b>SWALLOW Class to Oceanfest</b>
19th June	SWALLOW Leavers Mass 8.30am
21st June	<b>Holy Communion Session 5-6pm</b>
21st June	Sports Premium Swimming for KINGFISHER & SWALLOW Class
22nd June	<b>Parenting Group 1.15-3pm</b>
22nd June	EAGLE class Act of Worship 9.15am
23rd June	<b>SWALLOW to Pilton Community College 9-2.30pm (Intake Day)</b>
25th June	First Holy Communion - St Mary's Church 11am—all welcome
28th June	<b>SWALLOW Class to Tapeley Park</b>
28th June	Sports Premium Swimming for KINGFISHER Class
29th June	<b>New Intakes for Sept Come and Play 9.30-11am</b>
29th June	Parenting Group 1.15-3pm
30th June	<b>New Intakes for Sept Come and Play 9.30-11am</b>

## School Clubs

Below are the start dates for the clubs that are running this term.

<b>Monday</b>	Football (Yr5&6) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Homework (Yr 3&4) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff
	Gardening Club (4.15pm) (by invitation) Miss Mitchell
	Netball (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm) Mrs Houle
<b>Wednesday</b>	Homework (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff
	Karate (4.10pm) Mike Leverton (Fee)
<b>Thursday</b>	School Choir (4pm) Mrs Hynes
<b>Friday</b>	Tennis (Y1,2&3) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee)
	Play and Pray (Y3-Y6) (4.15pm) Mrs Cohen

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



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

Welcome back to Barn-a-b's after the half term break – we hope you all enjoyed some quality family time and made some memories with your children. We've seen some great photos on Tapestry that the children are sharing with their Barn-a-buddy.

**From Monday 19th June Barn A Bs phone number will be the main school number 01271 345164.**

We are continuing our topic of Traditional Tales and this week have looked at the 3 Little Pigs in line with the whole school. Why don't you see if your child can re-tell the story with you at home...?

As you may be aware, the 30 hours of funding for 3 & 4 year olds, with parents working 16+ hours a week, is being launched in September. We are waiting for the final details from Devon before we can give you all the information but we will be participating and hope some families will benefit from this extended provision.

The children are really enjoying the daily session of letter and sounds. We are following the Jolly Phonics programme and you can find actions and songs on YouTube if you want to have a go with your child at home.

Lastly, an early warning...if you have a child who will be starting school in September and you need to use Barn-a-b's in the afternoons for the settling in period, please let us know in the office and we will make sure we can accommodate all the children. Thank you.



## School Crossing Patrol

Please be aware that there will be no school crossing patrol on Bear Street at the junction with Sunflower Road until September. This is a very busy road in the morning so parents should take extra care when crossing with their children.



**The next newsletter will go home on: Friday 23rd June 2017**

### Star Learners

Very well done to the following children who were our Star Learners for last week. They are all invited to attend afternoon tea with Mr Meech on Thursday 20th July.



James Smith  
Savannah Fiddes  
Dakota Skinner  
Kimberly Dyer  
Oliver Lear  
Harvey Dennis  
Charlie Jeffery



### Reach for the Stars!

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

Well done to **Ruby Cannon** who has achieved her 10m Rainbow Swimming Award Scheme Certificate and Badge.

Well done to **Reece Elshout** who took part in the relay for life recently at the Rugby Club in aid of Cancer Research.

Congratulations to **Amelie Lear** who was awarded a medal for taking part in a football tournament with the North Devon Youth League

Well done to **Bence Bartos** who was awarded a medal for being part of the Barnstaple Tag Rugby Club Team that won the Bideford Championship.

**Bence** also got a medal for taking part in the Ivybridge Tournament for Tag Rugby. **Bence** has also been awarded a gold medal for being part of the Tag Rugby Team who have not lost a match all year. Well done **Bence**.

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.

### Parent Support with Reading

Please find below some useful links for tips on helping your child with their reading. The first link is for parents of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children and has five useful tips on supporting children with learning to read.

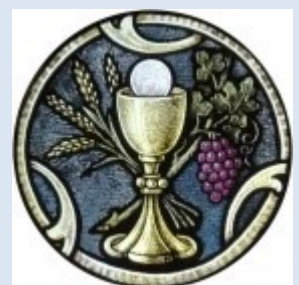
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-OG2Q6pPQYw>

The second link (below) has some good advice about how to show an interest in your child's education and talk with them about school.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0S\\_gLw9pXg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0S_gLw9pXg)

### First Holy Communion

Several of our Year 4 children will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on Sunday 25th June at St Mary's Catholic Church at 11am. Tristan Barnard, Lola Meech, Arianne Henry, Olivier Blaszczyk and Sarah-Louise Dyer would love to see as many of our school community at this service as possible. All are welcome.





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# Information Day

**On:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017

10am – 4pm

**At:** Grosvenor Church, Barnstaple EX32 9HX

**New to Autism and/or ADHD?**

**Got a question you'd like answered?**

**Want to chat to someone about your experience?**

**Want to meet the group and find out what we do?**

With a "back to basics" theme, we have information stands, professionals and other parents/carers ready to chat to you with tea, coffee and cakes on offer in an informal setting. Diagnosed condition or not, you are welcome to come along to meet the trustees, who are all living with Autism in their lives, talk to the professionals attending and gain some insight into the wide spectrum of Autism and ADHD.

Please email [newsletter@ndfautism.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@ndfautism.co.uk) to let us know you are attending, if possible.

Drop-ins welcome. Parking available on site.