



# 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.

## Congratulations

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

Tyran Tucker	Paige Loman
Liam Claydon-O'Hara	Immanuel Mathew
Christy Raji	Nnenna Amandiogu
Annie-Rose Oreshko	Lexi-Mae Dunlop
Leo Davis	Dolton Parkhouse
Coddy Wonnacott	David Scholtz

**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 31st January**. The book fair will run until **Tuesday 6th February**. You should have all received leaflets 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.

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

## School Clubs

Below are the clubs that are running this term, the finishing time, the adult responsible and the start date for the club.

<b>Monday</b>	Volleyball Club (Yr5&6) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Homework (Yr 3&4) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff <b>Not Tuesday 6th February</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Homework (Yr 5&6) (4.15pm) Mr Meech and Staff <b>Not Wednesday 7th February</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Choir (Yr2 and above) (4.00pm) Mrs Hynes
<b>Friday</b>	Tennis (Y1&2) (4.15pm) Miss Sloman (Fee)

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

Don't forget if your child is a pupil premium child (in receipt or has been in receipt of means tested free school meals) any fees for clubs or music tuition are half price. Please see a member of the Admin team if you require any further information.

**The next newsletter will go home on:  
Thursday 9th February 2018**



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

### Our learning

We have had great fun learning about the papaya that spoke! Next it's Jack and the beanstalk, would you believe it, the harp speaks in the story! And the Giant...very scary! Your children are loving books and stories, which is wonderful to see. You are always welcome to borrow books from us to keep that enthusiasm going.

### Policy reminder

There has been lots of information in the media about children's diets lately, such as limiting snacks to 2 snacks of under 100 calories. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that our healthy eating policy asks that children do not bring in chocolate or sweets. Our dental nurses that visit regularly to support our tooth rushing regime always remind us that water or milk is best for teeth. Baby bottles and dummies also effect teeth, as well as language development.

### Star Learner

During our collective worship this week we talked about being special to God. It was fantastic to hear Vinny Tregidgo supporting a friend who was upset by hugging him and telling him he was special to God. Well done Vinny.

### Please...

We will be junk modelling soon, so please can you bring in any boxes, pots, bottles etc for some amazing creations. Thank you.

## Spring Term Dates

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

26th January	PTFA Meeting 2pm
<b>30th January</b>	<b>Parent Meeting for Holy Communion 7.30pm St Mary's</b>
31st January to	
6th February	Book Fair
<b>2nd February</b>	<b>NSPCC Number Day</b>
5th February	Children's Mental Health Week
<b>5th February</b>	<b>Parent Consultations</b>
6th February	Parent Consultations (not OWL)
<b>6th February</b>	<b>No Homework Club (Yr 3&amp;4)</b>
6th February	Konflux Theatre Workshop
<b>6th February</b>	<b>Internet Safety Day</b>
7th February	Parent Consultations (OWL only)
<b>7th February</b>	<b>No Homework Club (Yr 5&amp;6)</b>
7th February	Last Swimming for OWL
<b>8th February</b>	<b>EAGLE Act of Worship 9.15am</b>
9th February	Open Classroom for Children's Mental Health Week
<b>9th February</b>	<b>Non Uniform Day for North Devon Hospice</b>
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February: Half term begins at 3.15pm</b>	
<b>Monday 19th February: School Returns</b>	

## Attendance

Congratulations to **SWALLOW** who have the highest attendance so far this year at **97.6%** closely followed by **EAGLE** at **97.1%**.

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**



Children's Mental Health Week 2018 is the  
5-11 February .

There will be various activities during this week for Children's Mental Health Week. On the afternoon of Friday 9th February there will be an open classroom. More information to follow.

[www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk](http://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

## Holy Communion 2018

Holy Communion this year will be celebrated on the **17<sup>th</sup> June**.



The parents meeting will be held on the **30<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church**. At this meeting we will be able to agree on the most suitable evening for the sessions and answer any questions you have.

All applications should be made to the church. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Cohen.

On **Friday**

**2<sup>nd</sup> February** Our Lady's will be taking part in **NSPCC Number Day 2018**.



Children will have a **mathematical day** of fun with support from the NSPCC.

The NSPCC are one of the leading children's charities in the UK, specialising in child protection and dedicated to the fight for every childhood.

We ask for your help to support the work of the NSPCC. On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February please bring in **any donation** you can to help fight child abuse.

To support Eagle Class' Maths challenge we need as many **1p and 2p coins** as you can. The children were wondering how many coins it would take to fill the hall floor?

More information is available on their website, <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Thank you so much for your support.

Please ensure that you drive carefully around the school site at the beginning and end of day.



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## Star Learners

Very well done to the following children who were our Star Learners over the last fortnight.



Lucy Hook  
Lexi-Mae Dunlop  
Will Harman  
Zuzanna Filipczyk  
Evelyn Brown  
Lexie Rolfe  
Macie Andrews  
Ebony Parkhouse  
Vinny Tregidgo  
Tiana Marozwa  
Oscar Yeaman  
Kacper Czechowski  
Maddison Daniel  
Oskar Czechowski  
Quinton Slater  
Alfie Richardson



## EAGLE Act of Worship

EAGLE class will be leading the Act of Worship on **Thursday 8th February**. All parents, carers, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend this assembly at 9.15am.

## On Line-Safety Workshop



Konflux Theatre is a trusted Theatre in Education company, working successfully throughout the UK for over 18 years. They are coming into school for the whole day on Tuesday 6th February to hold an Internet Safety Workshop with Kingfisher and Swallow classes. These two classes will then be putting together a performance at 2.45pm. All parents, carers and friends are welcome to attend to watch the performance.

The school website continues to be updated regularly. Class information (including homework and parent information sheets) are all now on the website for this term. The term dates for both 2017-18 and 2018-19 can also be found on the website.

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Sometimes  
I want to ask God  
why He allows poverty, famine  
and injustice in the world when He  
could do something about it,  
but I'm afraid He might just  
ask me the  
same question

## Fight Fuel Poverty

Need to reduce your household energy bill?

Struggling to keep your home warm in the cold weather?

Get advice and help from Devon Communities Together.

Our home energy advisors can help you reduce your energy costs, keep your home warmer and help you understand how to get the best energy prices.

To arrange a FREE home visit please call:

01392 248919

Or email:

[info@devoncommunities.org.uk](mailto:info@devoncommunities.org.uk)



## Reach for the Stars!

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

Congratulations to **Elena Gwynn** who received a trophy for being named Trainer of the week in her SAS Football Team.

Well done to **Tia Barnett** who was awarded a certificates for the Octonauts swimming programme for swimming on her own.

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.