



## Loving Learning and Looking Forward with Christ

### NEWSLETTER

30/6/2023

Dear Parents,

As you know we were inspected by the CSI (RE) inspectors here at OLSB on Wednesday and Thursday. They were very impressed by our wonderful children and staff. The children led mass to celebrate the Feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul. The inspection was a very positive experience and as soon as the school receives the report we will of course share the full details with you. Thank you all for your kind words and support throughout the inspection.

Over the last fortnight our children have had some amazing experiences with our Y3 class visiting the River Dane, Y1 and Y2 visiting Llandudno where they watched Punched and Judy, made sandcastles and enjoyed ice creams on the beach. They told me they had to watch out for the seagulls!

Year 5 attended St Margaret Ward to take part in the Magic Maths Show and we have also had class trips to Alton Towers.



### Stars of the week – Well done you are all stars!

We are very excited to share the news that we have had a new OLSB book vending machine in school. Children who are awarded 'star of the week' receive a golden token and get to visit the vending machine with myself where they get to select a book to take home as a prize. Another way of promoting a love of reading at OLSB.

<u>Class</u>	<u>W/C 19/6/2023</u>	<u>W/C 26/6/2023</u>
Nursery	Rocco Cox	Kianna Ndlovu & Andrei Voinea
Reception	Jack Fantauzzo	Nikola Gorska
Year 1	Kenan Nicholls	Anarayah Aston
Year 2	Mason Abbott	Daniel Onanuga
Year 3	Isabelle Griffiths-Bailey	Lucas Woolley
Year 4	Ali Shirzad	Roman Riordan
Year 5	Lola Clarke	Noble Kenneth
Year 6	Cole Seadon & Marion Mutyaba	Aliah-Mae Pond

Cross Country Finals at Keele University - the children had a great experience attending the finals with hundreds of other children from across Staffordshire. The Year 5 boys and girls team, as well as the Year 6 girls team put their all into the finals and really enjoyed their day.

Northwood Athletics - Fantastic behaviour and sportsmanship demonstrated throughout the day, with all classes cheering others on. The children did extremely well in their races, especially relay. We have some children that have made it through to the City Finals to represent Hanley. Congratulations to Caitlin (Y4), Beau (Y5), Leo (Y4), Nikodem (Y5), Vadim (Y5), Gary (Y6).

## Class Teachers September

Nursery	Mr Graeme Rathbone
Reception	Miss Rebecca Adams
Year 1	Miss Roisin Rooney - (Mrs Roisin Wilshaw)
Year 2	Ms Sarah Ryder
Year 3	Mrs Stephanie Hepworth and Mrs Lisa Machin
Year 4	Mrs Zoe Cogan
Year 5	Mrs Sinead Carroll- Knight
Year 6	Mr Adam Lowell
Cover	Mrs Angela Sykes

Mr Adam Lowell will be joining Our Lady and Saint Benedict's in September and will be teaching Year 6. He has 13 years' experience of teaching children within the city with 6 of these being in Year 6. He has had the opportunity to meet the children in Year 5 today and will hopefully be joining us for the transition days next week. He is very excited to join the OLSB family and I know you will warmly welcome him.

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES

### Future Dates

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Sponsored Walk (Year 5) Celebration Mass at St Margaret Ward Livestreamed to all pupils.
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day Provisional date Y1,Y2 (am) Y3, Y4, Y5,Y6 (am)
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Scholars Trip to Nottingham University Classes to Move up to New Classes Transition for September
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Classes to Move up to New Classes Transition for September
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	100% Attendance Trip
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Saint Benedict Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Trip to Tamworth Castle
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Prom 6pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day for Nursery and Reception (am)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports out to parents
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Winning Class Top Attendance Trip
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Assemblies y1-y5
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery and Reception Graduation
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term Mass - Y6 Leavers (All are Welcome)
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Y6 Leavers Assembly / School Closes
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	School Opens to all children for the New school Year
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	St Margaret Ward Open Evening 6.30pm

*God of all that is good, move us to share the power of your love and open our hearts in welcome to one another. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

With thanks,

Mrs Clowes

Principal



### **OLSB Term Dates - Academic Year 2023/2024**

#### **AUTUMN TERM - 2023**

Inset Day (school closed to pupils)	Monday 4th September
Inset Day (school closed to pupils)	Tuesday 5th September
School opens to pupils	Wednesday 6th September
Half Term	Monday 30th October- Friday 3rd November
INSET Day (School closed to pupils)	Monday 6th November
School opens to pupils	Tuesday 7th November
School closes	Friday 22nd December

#### **SPRING TERM - 2024**

Inset Day (school closed to pupils)	Monday 8th January
School opens to all	Tuesday 9th January
Half Term	Monday 12th February -Friday 16th February
School opens to all	Monday 19th February
School closes	Friday 22nd March

#### **SUMMER TERM - 2024**

School opens to all	Monday 8th April
May Day - school closed	Monday 6th May
Half Term	Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May
School opens to all	Monday 3rd June
School closes	Friday 19th July