

## Loving Learning and Looking Forward with Christ

NEWSLETTER 5/5/2023

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to be able to celebrate the future coronation of His Majesty the King in school today and to see the children dressed in Red, White and Blue. They have all enjoyed the Tea Party and have learnt lots about this momentous historic occasion. Year 3 have also had a great day visiting the National Museum in Liverpool which has enhanced their history work on the Egyptians.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Avanti West Coast Trains who provided our Year 4 class with such an amazing opportunity. Last week they fully funded through their 'Feel Good Field Trips' program, the train journey, tram ride, Lowry Museum Visit, workshop and lunch for all of the children in Year 4. This program provided a fantastic opportunity for our children allowing them to experience a real train and tram journey, to visit an art gallery and see the world beyond their own home location. The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm and have not stopped taking about the 'best day ever!'

I was delighted to receive a message commending the children on their wonderful manners, and polite and courteous attitudes which I would like to share with you:

Dear Mrs Clowes, I work for Avanti West Coast and I'm based at Manchester Piccadilly. My role is a Train Manager and I'm delighted to let you know that whilst working a service from Manchester to London today. I had the absolute pleasure of conveying some of your year 4 pupils to Stoke-On-Trent. Can I please congratulate you and your staff on how well-mannered and pleasant your pupils are. They told me all about their trip to Manchester and I couldn't believe they addressed me as Sir and even raised their hands when waiting to talk to me. Also on arrival into Stoke not one pupil left so much as a sweet wrapper behind. They truly are a credit to yourself and your school. Please pass this message onto the children and the rest of the staff. Kinds Regards - Jack Smith Avanti Train Manager

The Y5 girls have also visited JCB as part of the women in engineering programme. I am also pleased to report that we have taken part in the Cross Country Competition at Trentham. The children looked so smart in our new school kit and Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 represented the school. Special 'Well Done' to Divora Robel, Jacob Howard, Nicholle Duncan & Marcus Paice. Some of our teams have been selected for the finals at Keele University on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023.

Our Cafod Lent walk raised £82.00. During this we focussed on the Catholic Social Teachings (CST) of Participation, Human Dignity, Solidarity and preferential option for the poor. We participated in the walk to support those in our world who live in poverty in a hope that our donation will help to provide access to water, food and housing. Please see or website for more information on CST and to view photos. https://www.ourladyandstbenedict.co.uk/catholic-life/

Yesterday we attended Mass with our Parish family and held our May Procession where we crowned Mary and adorned her with flowers. We devote the month of May to Mary and honour her. We thank Maisie-Drew Morgan who took on the role of Mary and her attendants Livia Chen & Alisha Olahova.

I think that you can tell that I am one amazingly proud Headteacher. Each and every day the children simply amaze me. Here, at OLSB we try to provide the children with as many opportunities as possible to build cultural capital and to see and experience life beyond the local area of Abbey Hulton this is only possible due to the dedication and support of our wonderful staff team. This along with your children is what makes OLSB the very special place that it is.

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

<u>Class</u>	W/C 24/4/2023	W/C 1/5/2023
Nursery	Andrei Dominic Voinea	Daisy-Rae Woolley
Reception	Rithvika Arun	Reggie Shaw
Year 1	Autumn Hughes	Carrie Booth
Year 2	Osman Shirzad	Hanna Rola
Year 3	Jesse-Mai Hill	Whole Class
Year 4	Whole Class	Maisie-Drew Morgan
Year 5	Filip Cieply	Jamie-Leigh Hill
Year 6	Aimee O'Reilly	Millie Lovatt



## Curriculum Newsletters

Class teachers have prepared Newsletters for their class showing what children will be taught, and what they will learn across all subjects within the curriculum. Please do take the time to read these. These can be found on the school website. <a href="https://www.ourladyandstbenedict.co.uk/curriculum-newsletters/">https://www.ourladyandstbenedict.co.uk/curriculum-newsletters/</a>

## **Future Dates**

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	KINGS CORONATION SCHOOL CLOSED	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May- Friday 12 th May	Y6 SATS	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	MASS - Ascension -All Welcome	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception Class Trip	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	SCHOOL CLOSES	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May- Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Half term	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass- All welcome	
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Confirmation Mass 5pm Bishop Stephen	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 River Trip	
Wednesday 21st June	Y1/Y2 Llandudno Trip	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Cross Country Finals	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Saint Benedict Day	
Friday 21st July	School Closes	



This weekend we ask God Our Father to bless King Charles as he takes up his promise and his calling to serve.

Dear God, We thank you for the life of King Charles. We pray for him as his coronation nears. We pray for him as he gives his promise to serve our country and the Commonwealth. We ask for your blessing upon him. May he continue to walk in faith, and rule with justice and mercy. May he continue to use his gifts and talents to benefit others. Amen

Wishing you a wonderful Coronation Weekend.

With thanks,

Mrs Sarah Clowes Principal