



20th December 2024





Principals Message

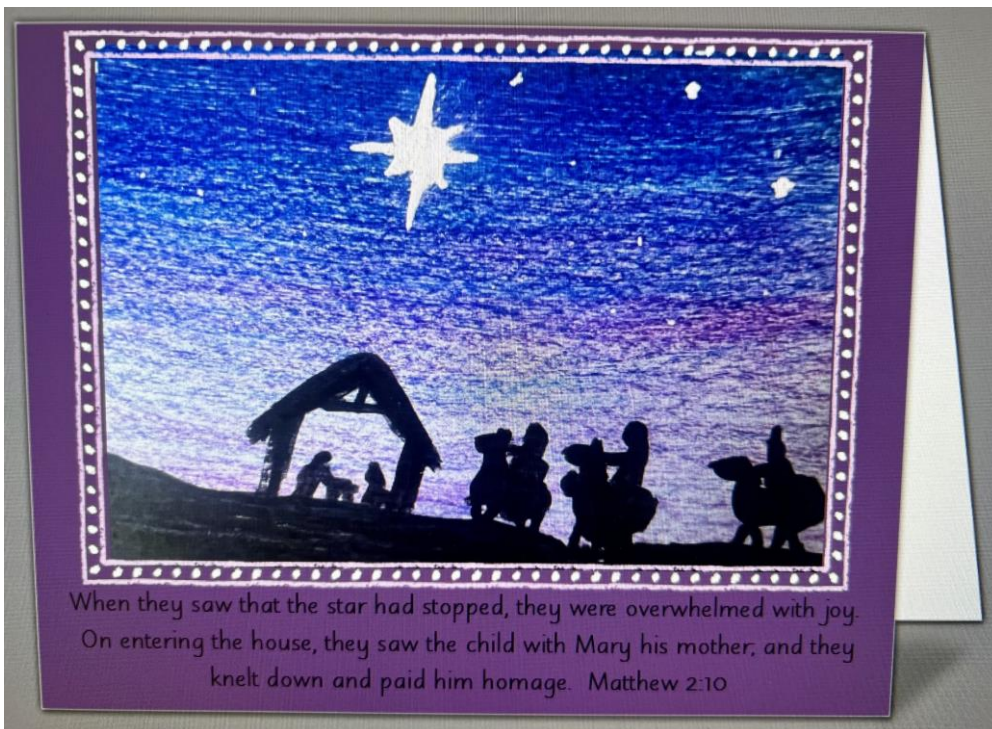
It has been lovely to see so many of you in and around school supporting both of the Christmas concerts, School Mass and our Advent reflections. It has been a wonderful end to the autumn term. The children have had a wonderful fortnight here in school. It has been great to see many final pieces of learning being produced in many subjects across the school showing that the children have certainly learnt and remembered more. Y3 have even made Caesar Salads and Year 5 Malandra Loaf. Children have thoroughly engaged with our Three Musketeers story and enjoyed the experience of not only reading the story in school but visiting the New Vic Theatre to watch a live performance. Breakfast with Santa and stories with Mrs Claus brought smiles to everyone's faces and was a lovely treat for the children for the end of term.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful staff here at OLSB who truly go above and beyond on a daily basis to ensure our children get the very best and to all of our families who support us each and every day.

Wishing you a very Happy and Holy Christmas and looking forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 6th January.

Mrs Clowes

On Wednesday we had some very special visitors here at OLSB. Santa and Mrs Claus .All children received a gift. The children really enjoyed the day. Our thanks go to the Peak Survival School team who supported this day.



Wishing you all a very Happy and Holy Christmas and thanking you for your continued support

with best wishes

from Mrs Clowes and everyone here at OLSB.

Designed by Livia Chen a pupil at
Our Lady and Saint Benedict
Catholic Academy



OLSB Dates 2024



Monday 6th January	School opens to all children
Monday 13th January	Young Voices Y5
Tuesday 14th January	Swimming starts for ALL Y5 Pupils
Thursday 16th January	Mass at Church 9.15am ALL WELCOME
Saturday 18th January	Family Mass at OLSB Church 5pm
Monday 20th January	Y1 Visit Ford Green Hall
Friday 24th January	Jubilee Launch Day



Attendance



Name	Class
First Place	Year 3
Second Place	Nursery
Third Place	Reception
Forth Place	Year 5
Fifth Place	Year 2
Sixth Place	Year 6
Seventh Place	Year 4
Eighth Place	Year 1

Well done to 70 of our children who have achieved 100% attendance for this term. Well Done!

CHRISTMAS MASSES DATES AND TIMES

Tuesday 24 th December	Christmas Eve SGSM 5.00 pm Christmas Eve Mass of Midnight SGSM 9.30pm
Tuesday 24 th December	Christmas Eve OLSB 7.30 pm
Wednesday 25 th December	Christmas Day SGSM 9.30 am
Thursday 26 th December	Feast of St Stephen SGSM 10.00am
Friday 27 th December	St John the Apostle SGSM 10.00am
Saturday 28 th December	Feast of the Holy Family OLSB 5pm
Sunday 29 th December	Feast of the Holy Family SGSM 9.30am
Monday 30 th December	6 th Day of Octave of Christmas OLSB 10.00am
Tuesday 31 st December	Christmas Feria SGSM 10.00am
Wednesday 1 st January	Mary Mother of God SGSM 11.30am
Saturday 4 th January	Christmas Feria SGSM 10.15am
Saturday 4 TH January	Solemnity of the Epiphany OLSB 5.00pm
Sunday 5 TH January	The Epiphany of the Lord SGSM 9.30am

OLSB=Our Lady and Saint Benedict Catholic Church, Abbey Hulton.
SGSM= St George and St Martin Catholic Church, Birches Head.

Father Adrian sends his prayers for a very blessed and joyful Christmas and wishes you all a peaceful and prosperous 2025.



Looking ahead to 2025, Pope Francis has declared that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, something which happens every 25 years. The theme is “Pilgrims of Hope” and launches at 6 pm on 24th December 2024. The school launch date is Friday 24 January 2025 and will start with a recorded message to be shared from the diocese and all schools will access this message on the day. Pope Francis has asked us to celebrate this year with a deep faith, lively hope and active charity. This means he wants each one of us to celebrate this year by trusting in God, looking forward with hope, and showing love to others through kind and caring actions

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Jubilee Pledge 2025:



We are pilgrims of hope.

We walk in solidarity with our sisters and brothers worldwide, sharing challenges and celebrating joys.

We promise to be agents of change, working together for justice, love and peace, locally and globally.

We want to build a fairer world, where every person, and the earth, can flourish.