



## NEWS

### from the Head

#### Awards Assembly

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July the following children were awarded the Mission Statement Award in assembly:

Yr R – Joseph and Isabella

Yr 1- Heidi and Martha

Yr 2 –Santiago and Matilda

Yr 3-Francesca and George

Yr 4 – Charlotte and Jessica

Yr 5 – Layla and Sean

Yr 6 – Constance and Dominic

The award is given for the children who make a special effort to live out Our Lady School Mission Statement. Very well done to our winners.



## Events from this half term

#### Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July, the Year 6 pupils put on a **fantastic** end of year production worthy of a place on the West End Stage! Each child showcased their talents brilliantly and should be very proud of their achievements. Thanks to Mrs Adams, Mrs Wallace, Mrs Marcantonio, Miss Knight and Miss Shannon for the many hours they dedicated to making the show a success.

#### Leavers' Mass

On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, the staff, parents and pupils joined in a very special mass to mark the end of the journey for the Year 6 pupils at Our Lady School. Many thanks to Fr Tom for leading this special occasion.

#### Open Evening

Thank you to everyone who visited the School during Open Evening. It was lovely to witness the children share their work with their family and proudly talk about their achievements from throughout the year.

#### Farewell Miss Green and Mrs Wallace

Very best wishes to Miss Green in her new role in Colchester – she will be greatly missed by everyone!

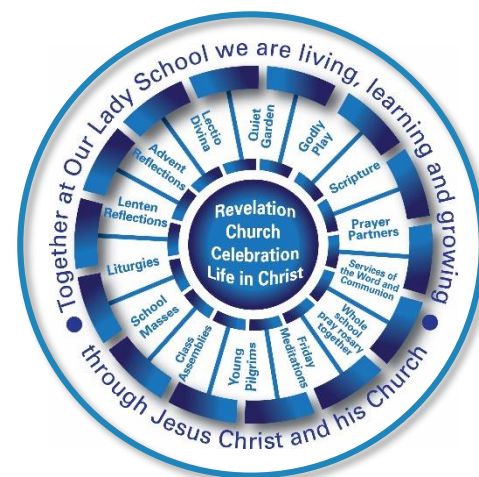
Also, best wishes to Mrs Wallace who will not be returning next academic year. Over the years, Mrs Wallace made a fantastic contribution to the musical life of the School and we are very grateful to her for all her hard work.

## Parent Survey

Thanks to everyone who took the time to fill in a survey at our recent Open Evening. The 86 responses were overwhelmingly positive with 98% of parents indicating their child/ren enjoys Our Lady School and 96% of parents satisfied that their child/ren make good or better progress.

The main area for improvement was around communication with some parents feeling that they receive too much information and some not enough. We will continue to review how and when we communicate in an effort to improve where we can.

In an effort to keep you as informed as possible about the curriculum and the demands of each year group, each teacher will be hosting a parent information workshop on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 3.45-5.45pm.** Please save the date and make every effort to attend.





### Other events from this half term

Yr 2 trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park

Yr 3&4 Roald Dahl workshop

Young Enterprise workshops for  
Yr 3&4

Reception class assembly

Yr 1 class assembly

Sports Week

Yr 6 trip to Harry Potter World

Yr 1 trip to Willows Farm

School Disco

Summer Fayre

Yr 6 Crucial Crew workshop

Yr 5 trip to Airspace

The Railway Children performance  
in School

Swimming gala

Author visit-Harriet Muncaster

Thank you to the staff and parent  
volunteers who made all of these  
'extra' events possible

## Thank you!

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who contributed to the whiteboard fund this year. Your financial support has been invaluable in ensuring every child is able to benefit from the use of this technology every day. Thank you to the PTA for organising so many successful events throughout the year to support this campaign and to the staff in School, in particular the School Office, for leading in School fundraising projects.

### End of year figures are as follows:

PTA donations=£7,500

Parentpay contributions directly to School=£1,325

School photos=£750

School Calendar=£600

The Giving Machine=£30

Total raised to date =£10,200

Outstanding balance=£11,805

*Thank you all*

**Congratulations to our Yr 3 pupils who made their first Holy Communion on 11<sup>th</sup> June. A special note of thanks to Trish Bonnett and Susanna Hawksley for their efforts to prepare the children throughout the year.**

### *Dear Lord*

*Today and everyday, please keep my family blessed, loved and protected by Your unconditional love, mercy and grace. Amen.*