

Our Lady Catholic Primary School

A Catholic Academy



July 2021

A message from Mrs Snowball

And so we come to the end of the academic year and what a year it has been. The global pandemic tipped our education system upside down. It brought challenges we never thought we'd have to face. For most of us there were struggles and for some there were battles but now we start to see that there really is an end, we must reflect on just how much we have all achieved. The pandemic has brought people closer, opened people's eyes to the more important things in life and helped people realise they are stronger than they ever believed they could be.

It is the children who have shown us how to be resilient, how to stay positive and how to embrace change with a positive attitude. They are all a credit to you and you should be so proud of each and every one of them. The staff at Our Lady School are privileged to come to work each day and teach your wonderful children and they couldn't be more proud of how they have embraced the changes this academic year. Please now go and enjoy a restful summer break with your families and friends and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September as one big Our Lady School bubble!

From, Mrs Snowball

House points: The final total!

More – 4655

Campion – 3998

Alban – 3936

Fisher - 3911

Well done to everyone who has earned house points this half term and year.

Mission Winners from this half term

Year R: Phoebe & Tavee

Year 2: Rebecca & Ryan

Year 4: Grace & Dylan

Year 6: Isla & Ronnie

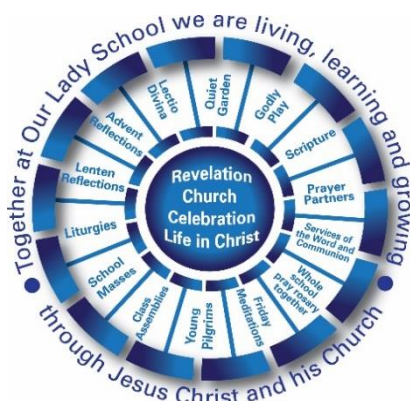
Staff winners: Mrs Kelly & Mr Pryde

Year 1: Skylar & Amelia

Year 3: Evie & Ollie

Year 5: Patryk & Robyn

Well done to everyone who received a mission award this year. You all thoroughly deserve it as you live out our School mission statement every day.



Sports day



Well done to everyone that took part in our Sports day this year.
Congratulations to the Sports Day champions 2021...

FISHER

Our Lady Catholic Primary School

A Catholic Academy



July 2021

The Year in action!

September

We welcomed all the children back to school and spent time getting back into our school routines. We entered the 'new normal' of bubbles and social distancing!



December

The start of Advent brought us together as a community once again to create a Christmas tree for the Hitchin Festival.

October

It was a busy month filled with Rosary assemblies, lots of exciting new learning and time spent with our friends.



January

It was a big shock to all of us when we had to move to remote learning but everyone adapted and we had some fantastic zoom lessons and events!

November

The whole school completed a unit of work called 'Journey' and learnt lots about the Windrush Generation. We were even tweeted by the author!

The whole school helped to create a beautiful poppy field for Remembrance Day.



February

Another month of zoom lessons, key worker provision on site and our Maths investigation week!

The first Headteacher postcards were sent out this month.

Our Lady Catholic Primary School

A Catholic Academy



July 2021

The Year in action!

March

We celebrated World Book Day virtually with some amazing costumes and a reading competition. We welcomed all our children back onto site!

April

We had some small fluffy visitors this month, they started off in Reception but soon toured the school so everyone could enjoy them!

May

Everyone was busy this month learning new knowledge and enjoying their time in class.

Fr. Tom led the bubbles to celebrate the month of Our Lady Mary.



June

June blessed us with good weather and we were all able to take our learning outdoors.

Some of the Year 3 class made their First Holy Communion this month.

We had our Mental Health Week.

July

The final few weeks of term were jam packed full of sports days, class trips and transition activities!



Our Lady Catholic Primary School

A Catholic Academy



Farewell to our Year 6 children

Year 6 is a memorable year for any child. It's the year they say goodbye to primary school and start a new chapter. Secondary school will be full of new adventures and challenges which we are sure our Year 6 children will embrace with enthusiasm. The staff at Our Lady School are incredibly privileged to have worked with such a wonderful group of young people and we look forward to hearing of their successful futures.

Year 6, we hope you look back at your memories of Our Lady School with fondness. Please don't forget us and remember, dream big and reach for the stars!



Key dates for parents for next half term

- 1st September – INSET day (School closed)
- 2nd September – Children return
- 2nd September – New Reception parents PTA coffee morning
- 4th September – St John Henry Newman open mornings
- 10th September – Year 5 swimming starts
- 30th September – St. John Henry Newman School open day
- 1st October – Year 6 class assembly
- 8th October – Year 3 class assembly
- 12th & 14th October – Parent consultations (information to follow)
- 15th October – Year 5 class assembly
- 21st October – Mission Award assembly
- 22nd October – INSET day (School closed)
- 26th – 30th October – Half term
- 5th November – Year 2 class assembly
- 12th November - Year Reception/Year 1 class assembly
- 19th November – Year 4 class assembly

Dates for the full academic year will be sent out in September

A prayer by Arnie

We would like to celebrate a prayer that has been written by Arnie in Year 5 and his family. Thank you for your beautiful words.

Dear God

Peace is endless, please share it.

Peace can be hard to find, please help those find it.

Peace can be easy to lose, please help us protect it.

Some need to find peace with themselves, please give them a little bit more.

Help me share my peace with those around me.

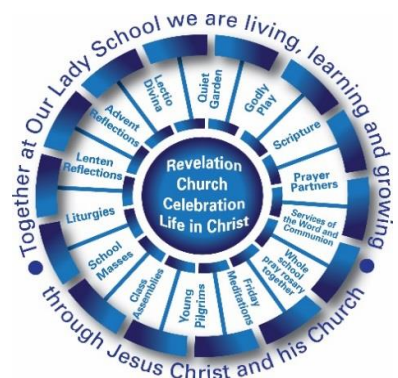
Help those around me share peace with those around them.

For those who grow peace well, share it.

To those who have lost their peace, it's coming

Peace is endless, let's share it

Amen



Our Lady Catholic Primary School
Old Hale Way
Hitchin
Hertfordshire

www.ourladys.herts.sch.uk
admin@ourladys.herts.sch.uk