

Our Lady Catholic Primary School

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HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR SCHOOL YEAR!

September

- A new school year started and everyone settled into their new classes.
- Everyone enjoyed their new learning!

October

- Fr Tom and the Chaplaincy Team led a beautiful Mass dedicated to Our Lady.

November

- The whole school came together for a beautiful Remembrance Service.
- Year 6 visited RAF Hendon for their school trip.

December

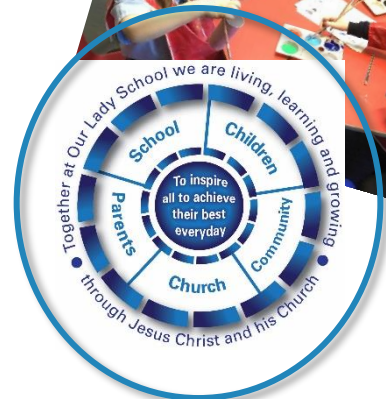
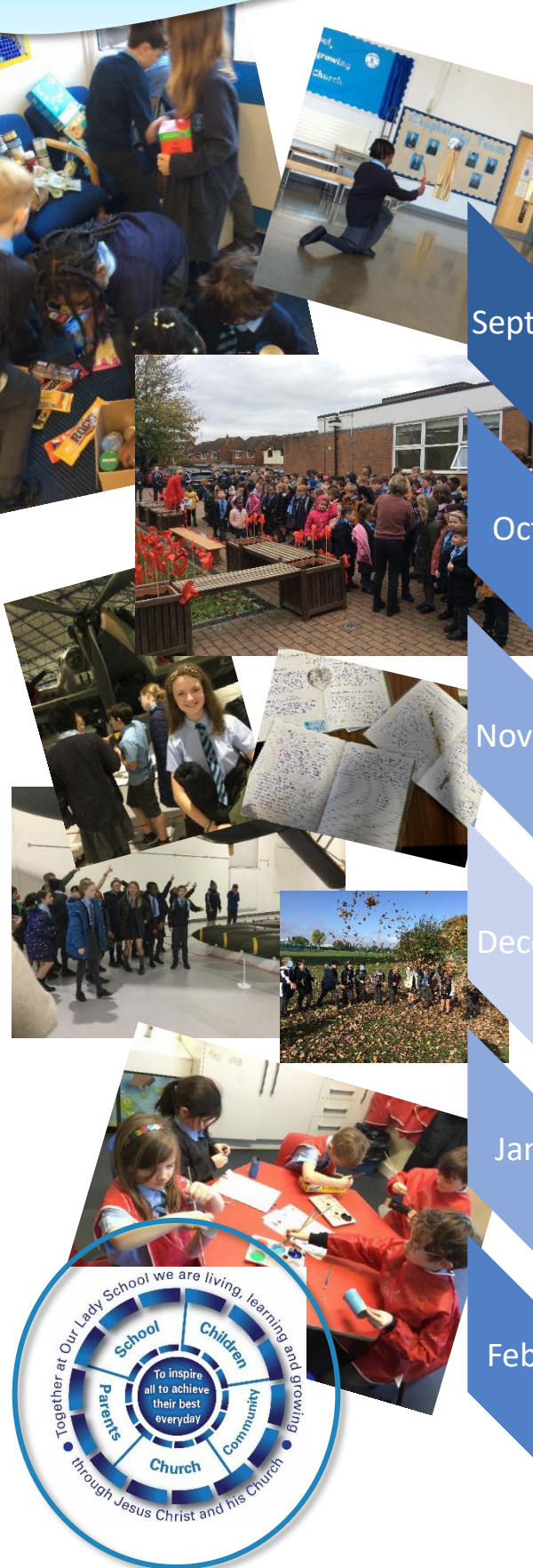
- Advent was upon us and the whole school celebrated! We collected an amazing amount of food for the Hitchin Food Bank!

January

- Our new gym equipment opened! This was a great addition to the playground and every child in the school has loved being on it.

February

- The whole school took part in a positive mental health week. There were lots of activities to take part in.



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March

- We had our first Community Mass at school which was wonderfully signed by Cannon Norbert.
- World Book Day was celebrated!

April

- The Lenten Games were run and the whole school got involved in them. We raised funds for the Kanyike project to support Fr Kakuba.
- Our new sensory room opened!

May

- The Chaplaincy team led Liturgies in each class. The children responded very well to these.
- We had a big lunch to celebrate the King's Coronation!

June

- Year 6 went on their residential trip!
- Year 3 celebrated their First Holy Communion in school and at Church

July

- The PTA ran an incredibly successful summer fair!
- We all had a fantastic sports day despite the rain!
- The end of another school year was upon us. Lots of 'goodbyes' and 'see you later's were said. We are immensely proud of everyone at OLS this year!

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A reminder to follow us on Twitter @OurLady_Hitchin and our Facebook (School name) to keep up to date on a daily basis with what's going on in school!

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A message from Mrs Snowball

Looking back on the year and all we have achieved should fill every member of our school community with pride. From school discos, trips, workshops, the summer fair, open evening, whole school Masses, class assemblies, sports week and of course SATs, each and every event has been a joy to share with you all.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year as Head Teacher at OLS and feel privileged to lead such a wonderful school community. I hope you all have a wonderful summer break and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September ready for another fantastic new academic year.

From, Mrs Snowball

Thank you, Farewell and Welcome

We are saying farewell to some of our staff this week. Mrs Elliott and Ms Rodford have worked together in Early Years this year and given our youngest children a great start to their time at OLS. Miss McKeown has supported many children across the school in her role as TA and will be greatly missed. Miss O'Shea and Miss Talbot both move on to new adventures after a great year with Y2 and Y5. As you will be aware, Mrs Hobbs will be taking on the role of SENCO from September alongside her current AHT role. I would like to thank Mrs Marinho for the excellent job she has done leading SEN for the last 4 years. Mrs Marinho made the decision that she would like to step back into the classroom full time next year and so she will be handing over the responsibility of SEN Lead to Mrs Hobbs. Miss Neale starts her maternity leave during the summer. We will update you all when we hear the news of her baby's arrival.

We are excited to be welcoming some new staff to the OLS team. Mrs Lee, Miss Headlam, Mrs Carpenter, Ms Gee and Miss Smith join our teaching team and Mrs Vagi and Miss Harte join our support staff team.

Sports Week

Well done to everyone that took part in our Sports week this year.

Congratulations to **FISHER** on winning the Swimming Gala.

Congratulations to the 2 Sports Day champions... **ALBAN** and **FISHER**

Congratulations to the winning Fun Run house.... **MORE**

Congratulations to the overall Sports Week champions 2023... **MORE**

Thank you for the Fun Run donations. We raised £392. New PE equipment is on order!



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Farewell to our Year 6 children

Year 6 have certainly had the send-off they deserve. They have made some amazing memories over the past few weeks.... Adventures in Kingswood, stardom on the stage, pizza parties, leavers Mass and assembly and the famous shirt signing. As we say farewell to the children we wish them every success in the next chapter of their lives and hope their secondary school journey is filled with adventures as well as new challenges. We are sure the children will embrace it 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!

Our Lady School, are you ready.....



....you were born ready! (A little reminder of Kingswood!)

House points: The final total!

Fisher - 5648

Campion – 5253

More – 5124

Alban – 5076

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

Congratulations to Ollie in Alban House for winning this year's RE shield for his amazing efforts with RE homework.



Term Dates

A full list of term dates and events will be circulated at the beginning of the academic year.