

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

October 2024 - Issue 2



On Tuesday 14th October the **Mini Vinnies** held a meeting led by Mia (President) and Aoife (Vice-President) in Prayer. Mini Vinnies wrote Pledges of Commitment to their role for the academic year 2024-25. The meeting was attended by Malik, Vincent, Lily-May, Annabel, Eva, Michelle and Dexter. It was agreed that before Christmas they would:

- Make sandwiches and bring in cakes and biscuits for the local Night Shelter.

- Visit the local elderly home, with the school choir, and sing Carols at Christmas.
- Support the Wellie Wombles and collect litter in the local park.
- Have a sponsored event or a cake sale to raise funds for a school in South Africa.
- Write prayers embracing the values of Catholic Social Teaching. The meeting concluded with children sharing prayers and their pledges.



Here is a picture of our school Chaplaincy Team, many of whom attended the Diocesan Schools Mass this term. See the reflection from the day by Mia Class 14. Friday 11th of October saw our Diocese gather in St Mary's Church, Dunstable for a beautiful Mass celebrated by Bishop David. Along with Mr Bonner and Mrs O'Neill, I attended with Zofia, Julia and Aoife from Our Lady's. It was a joyous celebration accompanied with hymns led by the Thornton College Choir, and concluded with a procession of school banners leading to a colourful display of the richness of schools throughout the Diocese. A particular highlight of the day was the Act of Commissioning, where school



Mission Teams took and renewed their commissioning vows, accepting the invitation extended upon them by God, encouraging them to appreciate the importance of 'listening, being and doing' and answering the call to action. Quotes from some who attended: "Today was so much fun." "I recommend it to everyone." "It was an honourable experience." "I would love to go again."

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

World Gifts are CAFOD's range of life-changing virtual gifts.

World Gifts are a range of virtual charity gifts that will delight the people you give them to and help transform the lives of families and communities living in poverty.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SUPPORT BY RAISING ENOUGH FOR TO FUND READING LESSONS FOR A WHOLE CLASS!

Reading opens so many doors: education, work, pleasure, self-improvement and more. This fabulous, life-changing charity gift can fund literacy classes for vulnerable people.

To fund this, we would need to raise at least £300, with any additional money raised being used to support other World Gifts.



SOME OF THE OTHER AVAILABLE GIFTS:

Teach someone to read

This funds reading lessons for one person.

£10.00

Back to school

Keeping children in school can provide them with skills that increase their employment opportunities as they grow up, so they can support themselves and their family. With this brilliant gift, young people who missed out on an education can learn practical skills, like carpentry, to earn a good living.



£60.00

Terrific Toilets

These lovely loos are the best way to stop the spread of serious diseases, keeping whole communities healthy and safe. This gift can help build toilet facilities and promote better hygiene practices in schools and communities.



£85.00

**Please send your
donations in with
children on**

Friday 25th October.

**Give as little or as much
as you can afford.**

**Thank you for all your
support!**

Diary Dates

Wednesday 16th to Monday 21st October
Book Fair in school - 3.15pm to 3.45pm

Monday 21st October
Years 3,4,5 and 6 Book swap

Monday 21st October
Learning Conference - 3.30pm to 6.00pm

Tuesday 22nd October
First Holy Communion meeting at St. Edmund Campion Church - 6.30pm

Wednesday 23rd October
Year 3 Class assembly in the KS2 hall 9.15am

Wednesday 23rd October
Year 5 Geography walk

Thursday 24th October
Year 2 Class assembly in the KS2 hall 9.15am

Thursday 24th October
Learning Conference - 3.30pm to 6.00pm

Friday 25th October
CAFOD World Gifts charity donations collection

Friday 25th October
EYFS Autumnal Walk

Friday 25th October
End of term

Monday 4th November
Training Day

Tuesday 5th November
Start of term 2

Wednesday 6th November
Open morning for new children starting Sept 2025 - KS1 at 9.30am

Tuesday 12th November
Remembrance Mass - 9.30am

Tuesday 19th November
Choir singing at Castle Theatre - 7pm

School Prayer

Dear Lord,

Each one of us is
beautifully and
wonderfully made.

Alone we are strong.

Together we are
stronger.

In our trust of each
other, may we grow in
unity,

strengthened in Faith,
Hope and Love.

For though we are many,
we are one.

Amen.



Attendance

Whole school 95.15%

Top attendance goes to:

1st: Class 6

2nd: Class 5

3rd: Class 8

Support The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal!



From Tuesday 5th November to Friday 8th November, we will be selling Poppies and other items during break time to raise money for The Royal British Legion.

Price List:

Poppy - any donation

Wristbands - 50p

Plastic reflective Poppy - 50p

Button Poppy - 50p

Wristband rulers - £1.50

More items are available on their website: <https://www.poppymap.org.uk/>



ClassDojo

Please download the free app so that you can see when and why your children have earned Dojo points!

It will also give you a window into the classroom as staff can post updates and photos.

It is also a quick and easy way to contact Class Teachers.



Our football fans had a great time swapping cards and adding to their collections. Thank you to Harley, Naeto, Dennis and Ollie for helping organise this.

Coming soon - a regular trading card event for Years 5 and 6 at lunchtimes. Watch this space!



KEY STAGE 2 BOOK SWAP

Monday 21st October – KS2 Hall
At Breaktime and at the Learning Conference.

Bring in your pre-loved books and swap them for different ones.



All books must be in very good condition and suitable for readers aged 7-11 years old.

£1 to swap as many books as you choose.

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ve up to £1,500.

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School
Pedal Power
Providing a bike shed to encourage physical activity by promoting biking to and from school.
Wellingborough

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Vote in-store until 12 January 2025

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Costumes for the
Wellingborough's is
over 55 years, eras
community's hope
Wellingborough

Vote in--

Thank you for every blue token you pledge for Our Lady's. Vote in store until 12th January. Please ask your families and friends to support us as well. See more details on the school website.