End of Summer Term 1 Newsletter

Growing Together at OLGH

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OUR NEW MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by Our Lady,
we grow together through
FAITH, COURAGE
and **LOVE.**

After consulting our community, we are delighted to share these three unshakeable foundations that ensure our school remains strong, safe, and ever-growing. We look forward to sharing our vision in more detail in summer 2.

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Mr McQuiston's Message



It is a joy to see the children's growth over the academic year —what a busy, fantastic half term!



Update 1: Improving Our Environment

Exciting things are happening in school over the May half term break: many areas of the school are receiving a fresh lick of paint including the hall, most classrooms and the offices.



Update 2: Looking Forward

We have lots of things to look forward to in summer 2 before we get to the summer holidays – visiting the farm, CHET, sports day, competiiions, the summer fair, bikeability, Y4 ukulele concert and the OLGH Extravaganza to name a few!



Update 3: Feedback

We are actively listening to parent feedback and will be sharing more detailed curriculum information directly to homes soon.

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Basking in the Light: First Holy Communion

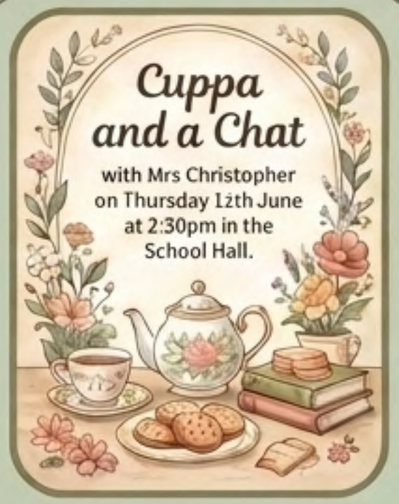
Congratulations to the Year 4 children who made their First Holy Communion at the end of April. It was a beautiful, sunny day resulting in a Mass to be remembered. The whole school celebrated together in Mass last Monday, topped off with a brilliant class party in the hall!





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Nurturing the Whole Child



Join Mrs. Christopher & Miss Bertenshaw for a ‘Cuppa and a Chat’ on June 11th regarding sleep routines.

A massive thank you for recent Foodbank donations supporting the Wavertree area.



Please choose fruit and healthy options over chocolate and sweets for snacks.



A lovely space for children to build friendships at lunchtime. A special thank you to our Wellbeing Warriors for looking after it.

Reminder: Please dispose of snack wrappers properly to protect our environment.

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Belonging Class (Reception / Year 1)

"You are seen, heard and valued just as you are."



English:
Writing planting instructions inspired by *The Extraordinary Gardener* (watching real caterpillars spin cocoons!) and crafting Hermelin mystery stories.

Maths:
Reception mastered number bonds to 10 with Numicon; Year 1 compared numbers to 100 and counted coins.

RE:
Explored Ascension and Pentecost in RE.

PE:
Honed overarm and underarm throwing skills during fast-paced dodgeball.

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Peace Class (Year 1 / Year 2)

"A gentle heart builds a strong community."



English:
Immersed in *The Bog Baby*, designing their own creatures, and writing Hermelin mystery stories ahead of the Phonics Screening Check.

Maths:
Mastered position and direction (clockwise/anti-clockwise) and recording data via tally charts and pictograms.

RE:
Investigating how temperatures affect seed and bulb growth. Explored the Fruits of the Holy Spirit in RE.

Enrichment:
Enjoyed the Martin Mere trip and sculpting clay houses using DT techniques.

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Hope Class (Year 3)

"Hope lights the way for us all to grow."



English & Maths:
Crafted Egyptian tomb escape narratives, then used shape and net skills to construct their own 3D sarcophagi and mummies!

Science:
Explored non-contact forces using magnets and tested gravity and air resistance by building paper helicopters.

RE:
Visualised the Holy Trinity by creating custom three-sided fidget spiners alongside studying the Road to Emmaus.

PE:
Polishing athletics starts for Sports Day and learning new coordination skills in Muay Thai.

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Unity Class (Year 4)

Together as one, we can achieve anything.



English: Wrote ‘twisted narratives’ based on The Lost Happy Endings and drafted persuasive letters to the witch demanding their return.

Maths & Science: Mastered decimals and translation grids. Built actual electrical potato circuits in Science!

Humanities: Travelled back to the Viking era, using roleplay to learn how Athelstan became the first King of England.

RE: Explored the empty tomb, how Jesus made Peter head of of the Church, and dedicated time to pray to Our Lady in May.

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Sanctuary Class (Year 5)

Where hearts feel safe and minds can soar.



English & Maths: Penned resilient survival narratives inspired by *The Lost Book of Adventure*. Tackled area, perimeter, and volume in Maths.

Science & Humanities: 'Out of this world' research on Earth, Space, and gravity. Explored Transatlantic Slavery and the Amazon Rainforest.

RE: Deep, mature discussions linking the Ten Commandments with the Beatitudes, preparing for their topic on Islam.

PE: Brilliant teamwork developed in swimming, tag rugby, and the highly popular 'Danish Long Ball'.

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Legacy Class (Year 6)

What we do today becomes tomorrow's legacy.



English & Maths

Showed immense resilience tackling their SATs. Post-exams, they applied their skills by writing persuasive letters to the Education Secretary arguing to cancel SATs!

Science

Shifted focus to living things—classifying animals/plants, studying microorganisms, and learning about Carl Linnaeus.

RE

Explored what it means to be a 'witness' by being fully present and listening to friends and family.

PE

Honing hand-eye coordination and teamwork through fast-paced games of Tag Rugby.

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House Points & Community Action

The Garden Tally (Dojo Update)



A fierce but friendly competition between Commitment, Courage, Faith, and Wisdom!

Growing Skills (Clubs Matrix)

Extra-Curricular Clubs Continuing After Half Term	
Sports	Dodgeball (Y1-2, Y4-5), LFC Football (Y1-2), Football (Y3-4)
Creative	Chess (Y4-5), Craft/Arts (Rec-Y2, Y4-5), Lego Creators (Y3-6)
Enrichment	TTRS (Y4), Mary's Helpers (Y3-6), Computing (Y1-2)

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The Path Ahead: June Diary

June 2:
Summer 2 Starts

June 3:
Y3 & Y4 Farm Visit

June 8-10:
Y4 & Y5 at CHET

June 8-19:
KS1 Phonics Check & Y4 Multiplication Check

June 12:
Sports Day

June 15:
Whole School & Reading Cafe

June 19 & 26:
Own Clothes Days (Donations)

June 23-25:
Y5 Bikeability

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The Path Ahead: July Milestones



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Let’s Keep Growing Together



Thank you for a wonderful half term.

For daily updates, photos, and news from our garden, follow us on Instagram:

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Please keep an eye on the MCAS app, as more exciting events will be added throughout Summer 2.

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