

## **Our Lady and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School**

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### **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

#### **Poppy Appeal**

Y4 will be leading our Poppy Appeal from Monday next week. Poppies and other items will be on sale each day and at the open afternoons.



#### **Parent/carers meetings**

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already booked their appointments. If you have not yet booked an appointment, please use this link <https://olsj.schoolcloud.co.uk>

F1 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

F2 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Y1 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Y2 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Y3 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Y4 Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>

Y5 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Y6 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November

This link will take you to further information about how to book and attend your appointment if you have not used the system before or would like a helpful reminder.  
<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>

#### **Dates for your Diary**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November** - Y3 Gospel Assembly 2:30pm  
parents/carers welcome

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November** – VEX

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – KS1 open afternoon 2pm

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – **no Library club this week**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November** – Y5/6 open afternoon 2pm

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November** – Y3/4 Sports Club registered children only (children should come in PE uniform on this day)

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November** - Foundation Stage open afternoon 2pm

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November** – Totty Cup 3pm Wath Academy – **no football this week**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** – Y3/4 open afternoon 2pm

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** - KS2 children to attend

Remembrance Service at cenotaph 11am

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November** – Y1/2 Multi Skills Club registered children only

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**– Young Voices – registered children only, **not Y5 children**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – Y2 Gospel Assembly 2.30pm

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November** – F2 Gospel Assembly 2.30pm

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** – Book at Bedtime for KS1 – further details to follow

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November** – Y6 Gospel Assembly 2.30pm

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Y1 Gospel Assembly 2.30pm  
Please see the final page of the newsletter for important dates for the Christmas season in school! We are really looking forward to welcoming families into school during this special time after such a long period of restrictions.

#### **School Lunch Week**

Next week is School Lunch Week. There will be a special menu each day featuring among other things, children's favourites and plant based meals to try! Remember that all KS1 children can have free school meals.

**Menu for next week only** is further down this newsletter. After next week, the new three week menus begin. These will be on the school website.

Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and Christmas Party Lunch will be on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Pasta Bolognese	Quorn Hot Dog	Quorn Sausage & Bean Plait	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing	Battered Fish
	Quorn Burger	Vegan Raviolini & Crusty Bread	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Cheese Flan	Cheese & Potato Layer
	Chilled Choice – Tuna Mayonnaise	Chilled Choice - Cheese	Chilled Choice - Ham	Chilled Choice - Turkey	Chilled Choice – Egg Mayonnaise
	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Jacket Potato with Tuna
	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese
	Garlic Bread Diced Potatoes	Potato Wedges	Diced Potatoes	Roast & Creamed Potatoes	Chips
	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
	Assorted Desserts	Assorted Desserts	Assorted Desserts	Assorted Desserts	Assorted Desserts

### Prayer for November Remembrance

Traditionally in the church, November is the month when we especially remember those who have died. Children will be bringing home a small brown tag and you are invited as a family to put the name of a family member or friend on the tag whom you would like to be remembered in the prayers of the school. Tags can be brought back to school and will be hung on a tree of remembrance either in the entrance area or in the classroom. All those named will be remembered when we gather for prayer during November.

***Lord  
Come now  
Live in us  
Let us stay in you  
Since if we all be in you  
We cannot be far from one another  
Though some may be in heaven  
And some upon earth  
Amen***

### Attendance

Congratulations to Y3 with a fabulous attendance of 100% this week!

**Whole school attendance 97% Target 96%**

### Jess Cup

Congratulations to this week's winner of the Jess Cup, Isla Mortlock! Well done!



### Mass for Christ the King

All children are invited to join us in leading the music at mass in St. Joseph's parish on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 11.15. Children should arrive in church between 10.45 and 11.00. Children do not need to wear school uniform but should be dressed smartly for the occasion. All children must be accompanied by an adult. The service should last approximately an hour. We hope as many families as possible will be able to join us on this special occasion.

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Mini Vinnies are once again collecting shoeboxes and gifts for this special appeal.

Suggested donations are...

Cuddly toys, dolls, toy cars, yo-yo, skipping rope, puzzles

Pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons, felt pens, notebook

Toothbrush (not toothpaste), wrapped bar of soap, comb or brush, flannel

Hat, scarf, gloves, hair accessories, torch

Any donations can be brought to school next week. Thank you.



### **Christmas Dates for your Diary!**

**Wath Christmas Festival and Lights Switch On – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November from 4pm. KS2 children are all invited to be part of the choir singing as part of the Festival. You will receive a link to sign up for this.**

**Advent – the First Sunday of Advent is on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November. From this weekend, children will take turns to bring home the Advent Travelling Bag from their classroom for you to share as a family during this special time of preparation.**

**Winter Wonderland – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 3pm. Come and follow the Winter Wonderland trail through school, handmade gifts will be on sale, refreshments and games in the hall. Look out for the booking form to book a ticket to see Santa!**

**The Polar Express – KS2 will be performing their show twice for parents and carers. Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm. Tickets will be limited so that everyone can come. Look out for the booking form!**

**Carol Service – KS1 will lead our Carol Service this year. This will be in St. Joseph's Church on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. All are welcome to join us at this very special service in church.**

**Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party Lunch – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Minimum payment on the school gateway will be reduced for these lunches if your child does not usually have school lunch but would like to have these two special meals.**