# Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School 'With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school. I can't quite believe that we have reached the final half term of the year. It feels that this year has flown by.

Hopefully you have all had a chance to read the fantastic Ofsted Report that we received. We are incredibly proud of the result as it is a true testament to the hard work that has been put into making Our Lady of Peace a fantastic school.

Year 5 went on a school trip to Whipsnade Zoo. The children had a fabulous time and behaved impeccably. Well done. Year 1 took a walk up to the OLOP Church yesterday afternoon as part of their learning about what you may find in the Catholic Church.

Summer 2 is always a busy one and we have a large number of events coming up. Please do check the newsletters in the coming weeks as well as the calendar on the school website. http://www.olopprimary.co.uk/web/calendar/185715

We will be trialling a different approach with our sports days this year and will be merging the Reception Sports Day with Year 1 and 2 and merging the Year 3 & 4 Sports Day with Year 5 & 6. We will be introducing some more competitive races and sporting events back into the KS2 Sports Day along with our usual carousel of sporting activities.

Just a reminder that homework booklets are sent out at the start of each half term. If your copy doesn't seem to make it home, they are available on the school website: <a href="http://www.olopprimary.co.uk/web/homework/370831">http://www.olopprimary.co.uk/web/homework/370831</a>

Below I have included the June Parent Newsletter from our Religious Education and Prayer and Liturgy scheme Ten Ten. We will return to our usual newsletter format next week.

Wishing you all a happy weekend.

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## June Prayer and Liturgy Newsletter (Ten Ten) 2025

In June we see the end of Eastertide and the beginning of a month full of joyful feast days in the Church. Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, June presents us all with the opportunity to reflect on the amazing love and mercy of Jesus Christ, displayed through His death and Resurrection.

This month children will learn about God's presence, in them and the world around them, taking time to think about how they can share faith and love with others.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout June, and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

#### **PENTECOST PARTY**

The assembly for the week beginning 9th June marks the Church's birthday with the feast of **Pentecost**. Through a party game and the Scripture reading, children will discover that the arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost is cause for celebration!

In the Gospel, Jesus promised that His disciples would receive the Holy Spirit and Pentecost is the day His promise came true. In a time of prayer, children will also have the opportunity to be filled with the Holy Spirit and reflect on our calling to be the dwelling place of God's presence.

You might like to hear more about the Holy Spirit and the events of Pentecost by watching our video 'Who is the Holy Spirit?' with your children on the **Parent Portal.** 

With your child/ren, you may also like to ...

- Invite the presence of the Holy Spirit to be with you in your family prayer time by praying, 'Come, Holy Spirit.'
- Talk about some of the fruits of the Spirit from Galatians 5:22-23, and discuss how you might grow in these gifts through your thoughts, words and actions.

### 5 + 2 = 5000?!

The Gospel for the 4th week of June accounts the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5000. Children will understand that Jesus provides just what we need, both physically *and* spiritually.

Seeing parallels between Jesus' actions in this miracle and the breaking of bread at Mass, children will explore the **Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ** (Corpus Christi) which invites us all to celebrate Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist.

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Children will also learn that when we offer our prayers and our talents to Jesus, He multiplies our efforts and fills us with His love.

With your child/ren, you might like to...

- Bake some bread together and remember Jesus' words from the Last Supper (Luke 22:14-20) as you share it.
- Pray together the prayer that children will be praying over the week in their Daily Classroom Prayers.

Jesus,
I adore you.
I love you.
I thank you.
I ask you.
I respect you.
Fill me with the food of your love.
Amen

#### THE WORK OF GOD'S FINGERS

The prayers for the week of the 16th of June reflect on Psalm 8 and invite children to praise God for His gift of Creation which He made for us to live in and enjoy. Everything we see, touch, smell and hear in the natural world is the work of God's fingers!

In their prayers, children will take time to notice the wonders of nature that surround us and offer their thanks to God for them.

As a family, you might like to bring your own praise prayers to God and conclude with the prayer below.

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the Earth! When I see the work of your fingers, I give you praise! Amen

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