

Newsletter—Friday 4th April

Volume 25

Dear Parents,

And just like that, the Spring Term is over! I can't quite believe that we have been through two thirds of the school year already. It has certainly been a busy term and I thank you all for your ongoing support of the school.

As this newsletter is packed full of information from the year groups, I will keep this part brief.

I would like to thank the Friends of OLOP once again for their ongoing support. They provided a fun day yesterday for the classes to get the children in good spirit for Easter. We had a great turn out from parents for our Easter Parade. I hope you all enjoyed seeing your children yesterday wearing their creative Easter outfits.

Thank you to you all for your generosity with our charity work. We haven't finished counting yet but we were near the £250 mark just for the Easter Tombola. Well done to the winners! You will see from the image below that we have yet to count all of the money that was laid on our world map. I will provide an updated final amount of what has been fundraised for CAFOD when we return.

I hope that you all have a fabulous Easter break and enjoy spending the time as a family together.

We will see you all back here on the 22nd April for the start of the final term of the school year.

Happy Easter!

God Bless.

Mr Stopps

Important dates:

April

Monday 7th to Monday 21st Easter Holiday Tuesday 22nd Start of New Term Friday 25th Non Uniform Day for Colour Run

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Class Attendance:

RHA—St Valentine –91.6%

RHC—St Joseph – 98.9%

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska –86.5%

Yr1—St Bernadette –91.3%

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta –97.6%

Yr2—St Mary Magdalene –92.4%

Yr3—St Paul –93%

Yr3—St Martin de Porres –93.8%

Yr4—St Peter –95.4%

Yr4—St John-Bosco –91.4%

Yr5—St Thomas More –94.3%

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi –93.4%

Yr6—St Maximilian –93.2%

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita –86.7%

Whole School—95%



HEADTEACHERS AWARD

Headteachers Award goes to:

NURSERY — Kaspian

RHA—St Valentine—Shiloh

RHC—St Joseph— Rian

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska—Esmae

Yr1—St Bernadette—Stefan

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta—Noah

Yr2—St Mary Magadelene— Daisy

Yr3—St Paul—Leo

Yr3—St Martin de Porres—Prabhjot

Yr4—St Peter—Oluwatobi

Yr4—St John-Bosco—Robyn

Yr5—St Thomas More—Jessica

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi— Divine

Yr6—St Maximilian—Kendra

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita—Alicia

Congratulations to you all!





- Go to www.getset4education.co.uk and click on the Home Learning tab to see the Active Families Games.
- Pick an active game and play it.
- Write the name of the game you played onto your active calendar and enter a symbol to show how it made you feel. Remember, some days you may not enjoy a game but then love it on another day. Give games a go more than once.

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NURSERY

It has been a really lovely Spring 2 term leading up to the Easter holidays full of enthusiasm and learning from the Nursery children.

Religious Education

This term in Religious Education during our unit entitled 'Desert to Garden', we explored the story of Jesus during his 40 days and nights in the desert, Lent: its meaning and how it helps us grow closer to God, and Palm Sunday the Easter story. We looked at plant growth and different plants in the desert compared to England and reflected on the theme of growing in love with Jesus and how we can all try to be the best versions of ourselves, just as he taught us. Through these lessons, children learnt about kindness, self-reflection, and caring for others. They loved creating depictions of stories from the Bible using water colours, developing their funky fingers by carefully cutting their palm leaves and making Easter themed crafts.

Understanding of the World

In our understanding of the world learning we explored the topic of Vets and People Who Help Us. This topic focused on the important roles of vets and other people who help us. Children learnt about the different types of helpers in our communities and the vital work they do. They loved all roleplaying the veterinary surgery roleplay alongside all the other hands-on activities that encouraged children to understand empathy, responsibility, and caring for animals and people in need including bandaging their friends and teachers in class.

Literacy

Our talk for writing books in English have been animal and vet themed. We read lots of exciting animal-themed books such as Mog and the Vet, The Dinosaur Vet, and Hairy McClary. These stories supported the children's understanding of animals, their needs, and the role of vets. Through these books the children developed their listening, comprehension, and vocabulary skills. They thoroughly enjoyed retelling the stories through a range of different mediums such as using story spoons in the puppet theatre and joining in with the repeated refrains in Hairy McClary which was the most popular book covered this term.

Maths

This half term we have been continuing to look at Shapes and Comparing Size/Length of people and objects. The children explored a range of different 2D shapes and learnt how to compare the size and length of objects using rulers, tape measures as well as cubes, hands etc. They love ordering themselves in height, drawing around one another and counting how tall they were using a range of measuring apparatus. Through these fun, interactive activities we encouraged the Nursery children to recognize different shapes, understand concepts of bigger and smaller, and develop early measurement skills.

Personal social and emotional development

This half term working hand in hand with our RE topic 'growing in the love of Jesus' we thought about how we could be the best version of ourselves over Lent this was explored through two different topics. Firstly, how to look after our bodies: through exercise, healthy diet and teeth brushing and secondly by understanding out emotions. Using the book In My Heart, children discussed their feelings, identified how we express emotions, and learnt how to be a kind and supportive friend to others. This will be an important part of their social and emotional development as they navigate relationships with peers. The children loved linking their emotions to different colours, creating friendship themed crafts based on their friends and their own emotion and brushing the different teeth models in class.

Phonics

This half term in phonics, we were excited to continue supporting your child's early reading and writing development. In our phonics lessons, we focused on phase 1 elements as well as introducing the following sounds: ck, e, u, r, h, and b. These sounds will help children to build a strong foundation for blending and segmenting words, an essential skill for reading and writing as they continue their school journey. The Nursery children have been early mark making in the craft, funky finger and writing areas. They have been writing and drawing around the whole Nursery environment in the roleplay area when answering phone calls and designing their builds in the builder's yard on squared paper.

We have had so much fun with our learning in Nursery this half term and look forward to an exciting and enriching Summer 1 term where we will be getting to experience the joy of spring and new life first hand with the incredible eggs duck hatching experience! Thank you for your continued support.



NURSERY CONTINUED







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RECEPTION

In Reception we have had a term full of exploration, creativity, and learning, and we are incredibly proud of the progress the children have made.

In Literacy, we began by diving into the world of dinosaurs with the story of *Harry and his Bucket Full of Dinosaurs*. The children were fascinated by the adventures of Harry and his dinosaurs, and we brought the theme to life in the classroom by setting up a palaeontology lab and a dinosaur museum. It was a fantastic way to encourage curiosity and imaginative play. Later, we experienced an unexpected alien crash landing right outside our classrooms! After hearing a loud crash, the children rushed outside to discover a spaceship had landed, with an alien hiding in a bush. They were so excited that they couldn't wait to write about what they had seen. Our space topic continued with the book *Astro Girl*, where we created a story map and the children had the opportunity to innovate and develop their own version of the story. We also had space stations set up in the classroom which the children really enjoyed exploring. We then moved on to *Supertato*, a fun story about a brave vegetable superhero. The children loved role-playing with fruit and vegetables, and we set up a shop in the classroom where they could act out their own supermarket adventures. We have been so impressed with the lovely writing the children have produced throughout these topics.

In Maths, we focused on numbers from 5 to 10, and the children explored a variety of concepts such as mass, capacity, length, height, and time. The children particularly enjoyed the practical lessons, and it was wonderful to see them applying their learning outside the classroom as well. Whether measuring objects, comparing sizes, or experimenting with volume. The children were fully engaged and had lots of fun with the hands-on activities.

With the weather becoming warmer, we have spent more time outdoors, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to be active and creative. They have loved designing and completing obstacle courses, and many have enjoyed playing on the new climbing equipment and going on the field. It has been wonderful to see them enjoying their time outside and developing their physical skills.

In Religious Education, we focused on the theme of Lent. The children learned that Lent is a time for growing closer to Jesus and for showing care and love for others. We discussed the events of Jesuses entry into Jerusalem on a donkey, His sacrifice on the cross, and His resurrection, which we celebrated.

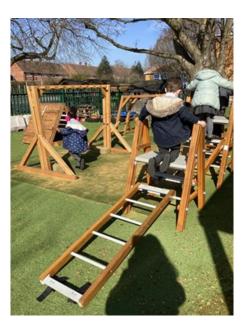
It has been a wonderful term, and the children have shown incredible enthusiasm and dedication to their learning. We would like to thank you for your continued support throughout the term.



RECEPTION CONTINUED

















YEAR ONE

Religious Education

<u>Desert to Garden:</u> The children learnt about the events leading up to Easter and Holy week. The stories the children studied included Jesus being tempted by the devil, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, The Last supper, the Crucifixion and death of Jesus. The children looked at the importance of these events and how they fitted in to God's plan for his world.

English:

The children studied the text "Meerkat Mail" where they learnt the structure of how to write a letter and the language used in this style of writing. They continued to work on their handwriting as well as spelling, grammar and punctuation. They continued to apply their phonics knowledge in their reading and writing in all areas of the curriculum.

Maths

Place Value to 50

The children continued to further their knowledge in counting from 20 to 50, as well as understanding the numbers 20, 30, 40 and 50. They practiced counting by making groups of tens and looked at groups of tens and ones which included partitioning numbers into tens and ones. They looked at the number line to 50 and used this resource to estimate on a number line to 50 and solve one more and one less than problems.

Length and Height

The children compared lengths and heights of various items. They learnt to measure these items using standard (cm) and non-standard units (cubes, paperclips etc)

Mass and Volume

The children used language such as heavier and lighter whilst they measured the mass of objects and compared these masses. They used language such as full and empty when they discussed capacity and volume

Phonics

The children continued to work through the Floppy Phonics scheme, learning new phonemes and graphemes as well as consolidating prior knowledge. They have been applying their phonics knowledge in their reading and writing across all areas of the curriculum.

Science

The children started the topic of Everyday Materials and have looked at objects and the materials they are made of, examining the properties of these materials and why they are suited to the objects made from them.

Geography

The children looked at various weather conditions in the UK and the children furthered their knowledge on seasonal changes and why the weather is not the same all over the UK

DT

Windmills: the children looked at the structure of various windmills before designing and creating their own free standing windmill.

Computing

Digital writing: the children practiced using a computer to create and format text, before comparing that to writing created nondigitally.



YEAR ONE CONTINUED













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YEAR TWO

The Year Two team would like to say thank you to parents for your continued support this half term. It is very much appreciated. Below is just a flavour of what we have been up to over this half term. It has been packed with exciting learning opportunities!

Science

In Science, we have been exploring *living things and their habitats*. A highlight of our learning was a visit from *Feathers and Fur Falconry Centre*, where the children had the incredible opportunity to see four magnificent owls up close: a **barn owl, a tawny owl, a snowy owl, and a long-eared owl**. The children were fascinated to learn fun facts—did you know that the long-eared owl doesn't actually have long ears, but *plumicorns* on its head?



We have also been investigating *life processes* and exploring the microhabitats within our school grounds, discovering the different creatures that call them home.

Additionally, we were very fortunate to have a visit this term from **Mrs. Akar, who works at the UK Space Agency**. She led a fascinating workshop where the children learnt all about *space and our roles in looking after it*. They were completely engaged and inspired by the session, gaining valuable knowledge about the wonders of the universe!

English

In English, we have been busy writing *non-chronological reports* about **native nocturnal animals**, including bats, hedgehogs, and badgers. Our focus has been on varying sentence openers, using commas in lists, and wowing our readers with amazing facts. A huge well done to all the children for their fantastic *Homework Builder projects*—we have been amazed by the effort and creativity put into them!



YEAR TWO CONTINUED

World Book Day

We also celebrated **World Book Day**, which was a truly special event. The children came dressed as their favourite book characters, bringing stories to life with costumes inspired by *Alice in Wonderland, The Worst Witch, Little Red Riding Hood, Fantastic Mr. Fox,* and *Paddington Bear*. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm for reading!



Maths

In Maths, we have been developing our understanding of *measurement*, comparing height, mass, and length using real-life objects in our classroom. Alongside this, children have also been busy consolidating their understanding of previously taught content, tackling a variety of **fluency and reasoning-based questions** to strengthen their mathematical thinking. Well done to all our Year 2 learners for their hard work and enthusiasm this half term!



YEAR THREE

In our Religious Education topic on Giving all, children learned how through Jesus' life, death and Resurrection He teaches us how to give ourselves to others. Children explored the thoughts and feelings of St Peter, his thoughts words and actions. We also discussed God's forgiveness and mercy, which far outweighs our poor choices and decisions.

In science, children have been learning about how we see objects and how shadows are formed. Children have planned an investigation and explored how long and short shadows are formed by moving the light source above and to the side of the object.

In Geography children learned about the continent Antarctica and where it was located on the world map. They learned to identify the hemispheres, various lines of latitude and where wet, dry and temperate zones were located. They also plotted the co-ordinates of how Shackleton would have travelled towards Antarctica. Identifying the 8 points on a compass helped them to navigate a route to designated areas on the school grounds.

In Design and Technology, children have been learning that a pneumatic system can force air over a distance to create movement.

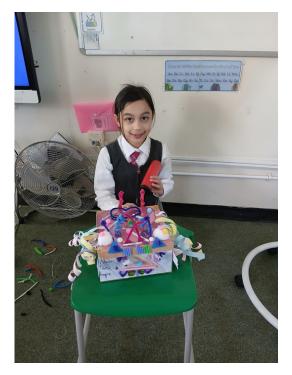
The children were tasked with manipulating materials to create different effects on the toys by cutting, creasing, folding, joining, weaving, etc.

The children had a fantastic time creating some aesthetically pleasing designs.





YEAR THREE CONTINUED











YEAR FOUR

This term, Year 4 has been busy developing their discussion writing skills in English, debating topics such as whether children should have homework and whether we should buy imported or locally produced food. They then had the opportunity to choose their own topics to explore further.

In Maths, we tackled fractions and decimal numbers. Although it was a challenge, the children showed great confidence and found it easier than expected!

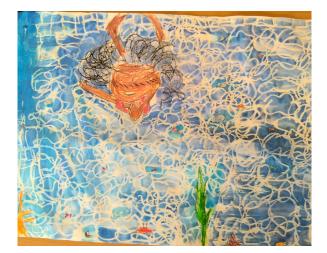
In RE, we focused on Lent, particularly Holy Week, and reflected on its significance for Christians today. Meanwhile, in Geography, we examined food packaging to discover just how far our food travels—some all the way from Brazil, India, and Peru!

PE has been full of excitement, with children developing their handball skills and thoroughly enjoying their swimming lessons.

We wish everyone a happy and restful Easter holiday!











YEAR FOUR CONTINUED



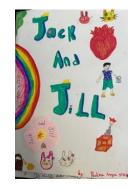




YEAR FIVE

Design & Technology

In our DT lessons we have been learning how to build pop-up books. We have used technical pieces of equipment such as spacers, levers and raised steps to create movement on every page of our books. We worked in pairs to recreate the classic nursery rhyme, Jack and Gill' then we worked independently on a story of our choice. It was a challenging but fun project and we have been amazed at how much we were able to achieve in such a short time!







Science

In our science lessons, we have been learning about Earth and Space. It is a fascinating topic and we have learnt a lot about our solar system. Our Brain Builder projects were a fantastic mixture of models, written reports, pictures and PowerPoint presentations. Here is a selection of our fabulous projects:



<u> PE – Dance</u>

The children have been fortunate to have two wonderful students from Creative Academy come in and teach them modern dance moves and routines. Completing their dance degrees, the student's commitment and enthusiasm whilst teaching has shone through. Music played during the workshops have inspired your children, especially the boys to create an ensemble of dance routines that they will eventually be putting together in a performance in assembly to UKS in May.



YEAR SIX

<u>Science</u>

In Science this term, children in Year 6 have been learning about Living Things and their Habitats. Children have learnt about different ways to classify plants (such as seed dispersal, vascular or non-vascular, flowering or non-flowering) and animals (for example, vertebrate or invertebrate, diet, warm or cold blooded, land or water born and such). We then learnt about classification keys and practised devising these by sorting sweets, before moving onto animals. Another main type of living organism the children have studied is micro-organisms. We learnt about fungi, bacteria, viruses, algae and protozoa. In our final lesson of the topic, the pupils used laptops to research Carl Linnaeus, a famous Swedish scientist, who devised a taxonomy for classifying living things, giving each one a two-part Latin name. Did you know, he even gave us human beings our scientific name: homo sapiens!

<u>DT</u>

During Spring 2 in DT, the children have been designing and making their own model playgrounds. Firstly, we had to decide which free-standing apparatus we wanted to include – swings, climbing frames, slides, monkey bars and roundabouts were some of the most common! Some pupils even chose to include streams, ponds, sandpits or small areas of greenery in their designs. Following this, the pupils had to learn how to use handsaws safely and sensibly and then spend some time practise cutting pieces of wood. They were then able to begin constructing their various pieces of apparatus, before putting it all together on their base to create their model playground.

<u>RE</u>

The children have continued to look at the gospel of John and in particular the Passion of Christ. They have learnt how to deep read scripture to try and find the hidden messages and symbology hidden within to help them gain a deeper understanding of scripture. They then looked at how Jesus showed His love for all people through His words and actions in Holy week and showed us how to love each other. They also have created their own Stations of the Cross to reflect upon in this most important time of the Catholic calendar.

Geography

This term the children have looked at the vitally important issues involving Energy. They have learnt to understand the differences between non-renewable and renewable energy and how the global population has risen with the wider availability of different energy sources. They are also aware of the benefits and negatives of different energy sources and tried to use this information to investigate what types of energy source would benefit different settlements. To finish, the children put all this learning together to think about the school itself and what renewable energy source it would be better for the school to switch to and where the equipment needed should be positioned for best effect, safety, and aesthetics!

<u>PE</u>

As well as improving their tennis swings in time for Wimbledon, the children have taken part in OAA in PE. A really fun topic that not only involves physical movement but also concentrates on teamwork, communication and careful thought. The children have worked really well to overcome a variety of different challenges where they have had to collaborate with their whole team or failure loomed!



FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS

Dates:

25th April - Non uniform day for Rainbow Raffle Donations

10th May - Colour Run

28th June - OLOP Fest

Colour Run

Have you registered yet???

Our first ever Friends of OLOP sponsored Colour Run will be held on Saturday 10th May from 12pm and we are looking forward to a fun filled rainbow coloured afternoon. The course will be set up on the school field, with a few obstacles along the way - the children will run in their year groups and as they run, they will be showered with coloured powder.

Registration is now open through ParentPay for all year groups from Nursery to Year 6 and costs £3 per child. Older siblings up to the age of 14 are welcome to join in; their place must be booked through their siblings ParentPay and they will run with them. Children under Nursery age are not able to participate for health and safety reasons. ParentPay registration will close on Thursday 1st May.

The children will have brought home a sponsor form and we're asking for them to try to collect sponsorship from friends and family for taking part in the Colour Run.

Our rainbow raffle will also be part of this event. 25th April will be a non-uniform day and we ask the children to bring hamper items in their year group assigned colour. Raffle tickets will be available through ParentPay from the 25th April to the 8th May and winners will be drawn at the Colour Run on the 10th May.





FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS CONTINUED

HAVE YOU **REGISTERED?** JOIN THE COLOUR RUN PARENTPAY OPEN SATURDAY NOW £3 PER CHILD 10TH MAY



FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS CONTINUED



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WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

Instagram remains a go-to app for teens, with its endless stream of photos, videos, and 'Stories' keeping young users constantly connected. From influencer content to live broadcasts, the platform is packed with evolving features that can feel fun and engaging – but can also raise some serious concerns around screen time, online pressures and exposure to inappropriate content.

We've created this free guide – also available in podcast format – offering parents and educators up-to-date knowledge on the risks and safety tips for this latest version of Instagram.





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Casey (5TH) and Abigail (3MP) who took part in 'A Night at the Movies', a dance and music show by Prodigy Dance Studios on Saturday 29th March.

This show was the result of months of hard work, dedication, fun and rehearsals and the girls absolutely smashed it.

The show included performances based on songs from well known movies. Casey and Abigail danced and performed to Cars, 101 Dalmatians, Despicable Me and Sweeney Todd and more. They had a great time!

Casey was also recognised by Prodigy and won the Junior Award.

Well done to Casey and Abigail





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Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS



Football Tournaments

Easter Junior 5 a side

7, 8, 9, 10 April

10:30am-2:30pm

11-16 years old Powerleague, Ragstone Road, Slough, SL1 2PU

> **5 A SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS** BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

It's all about getting involved.

To register for FREE with a HAF Code: <u>www.sloughhaf.org.uk/</u> No HAF Code, register and pay: <u>www.sportsinc.org.uk/</u>

£5 per day or £16 paid in advance all for 4 days

Healthy Hot Lunch and snacks available each day.



Make sure to use/bring your HAF number if you have one.

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For more information Email: info@sportsinc.org.uk

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FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS CONTINUED



PACK THE PARK LEAGUE ATTENDANCE RECORD ATTEMPT SLOUGH TOWN VS. HAMPTON & RICHMOND

SATURDAY 26TH APRIL, 3PM, ARBOUR PARK





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Beavers are aged 6 to 8 years old, girls and boys. More information on our website.

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BROWNIES

'I had never climbed before. I was scared of heights. But I climbed and rang the bell all by myself and felt really proud of myself'



1st Burnham Brownies

Girls have nonstop fun, learning and adventure for ages 7 to 10

At Brownies, we welcome all girls to explore their creative side, get out into the great outdoors and start to learn to look after themselves, others and the world we live in.

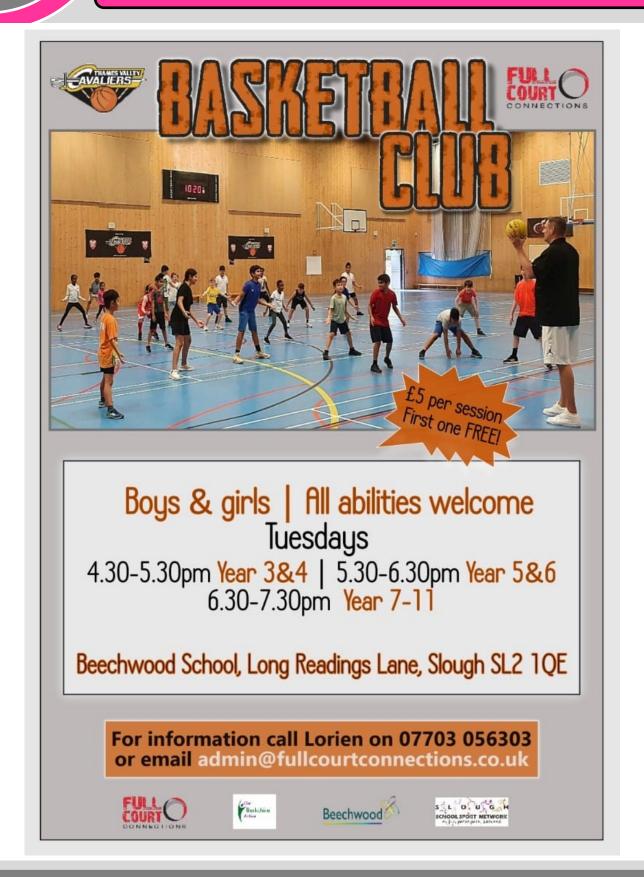


Join a local Brownies group girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

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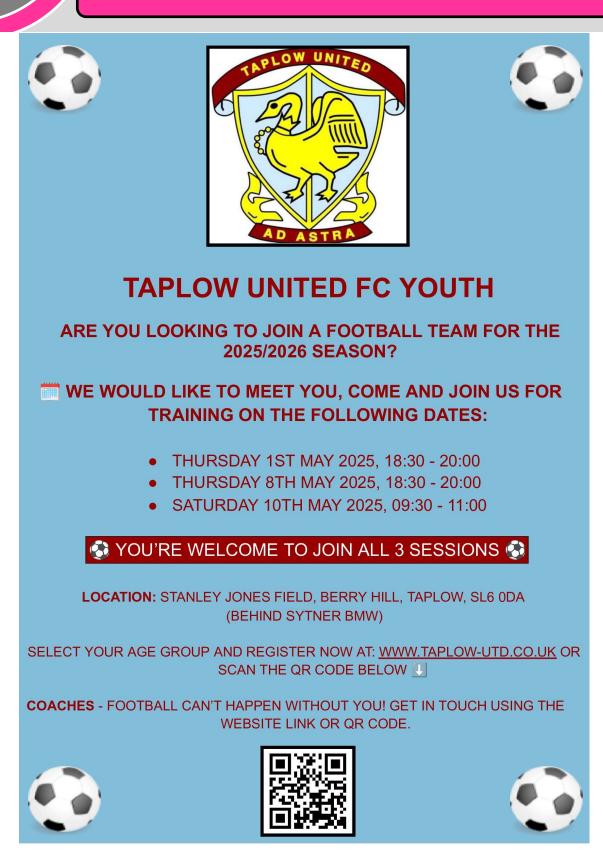
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BASKETBALL CLUB





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THE SPORTS COLLECTIVE

The Sports Collective EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB (4-16 years)

Week 1 - Westgate School Dates: Monday 14th - Thursday 17th April 9 am - 1 pm

Week 1 – Beechwood School Dates: Monday 14th - Thursday 17th April 9 am - 1 pm

SWIMMING GYMNASTICS MAKING SLIME COOKING FOOTBALL DANCE BOXING TREASURE HUNT, GAMES, ARTS & CRAFTS AND LOTS MORE!

FREE WITH A HAF CODE

or £25 per day

We promote an inclusive environment, encouraging new friendships and introducing a sense of responsibility for our older members who are invited to help the coaches as young leaders.

For more information or to book please contact us on the details below

Contact – 07585128080 or email Angela@athenaangels.uk



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MOBERLY STARS JUDO CLUB

Interested in learning a fun & disciplined Olympic sport?

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WEDNESDAY

5:30pm to 7:00pm

The Centre Farnham road SL1 49UT



6:00pm to 7:00pm | 5-13yrs 7:00pm to 8:00pm | 14yrs+

TUESDAY

STARS

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Singh Sabha Sports centre SL1 3LW



EASTER HOCKEY CAMP

Easter Hockey Camp

LOUGH



16th and 17th April 10 AM - 3 PM



I day £30 2 days £55 for SHC Juniors I day £40 and 2 days £70 for non-members All ages and levels welcome

For enquiries, email SloughHCCamps@gmail.com

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KIDS CIRCUS EASTER CAMP

It is *free for kids on free school meals based in Slough* (they just need to

<u>sign up using their HAF code</u>). The camp is 4 hours of circus activities and includes a healthy lunch.

Here's the full details:

Monday 7th April - Thursday 10th April

🕒 9am - 1pm each day

FREE snack + hot lunch included

Aerial silks, rope, hoop, trapeze, acrobatics, hula hooping, juggling, and more!

Price: FREE (for kids on FSM)

We've also made it a lot cheaper for those that are not on free school meals as well.

limited spots for the fsm kids!

The link for parents to sign up is here:

https://sloughhaf.org.uk/events/event/leos-circus-easter-camp-2025-ages-6-12-years





KIDS CIRCUS EASTER CAMP CONTINUED



EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB





SEND SUPPORT

Please find attached the flyer with more information on our upcoming Bear Cubs sessions. To book tickets please use this link <u>BEAR CUBS Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite</u> <u>www.gems4health.com</u>



SEND SUPPORT





gems.4health@nhs.net

GEMS is for children and young people who are diagnosed with, or who may have, autism and/or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). The service also supports parents and carers and is open to anyone living in Slough, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead or Bracknell Forest.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND COURSES

ADHD Course - Monday 28th April, 12th & 19th May - 7 to 9pm Sensory Processing - Wednesday 23rd April - 7 to 8:30pm Managing Anxiety - Wednesday 23rd April - 10am to 12noon Empowering Calm - Wednesday 7th May - 10am to 12noon Autism Course - Thursday 8th, 15th & 22nd May - 7 to 9pm Girls and Autism - Tuesday 10th June - 10am to 12noon Sleep - Autism and ADHD - Tuesday 17th June - 7 to 9pm Adolescence - Wednesday 2nd July - 10am to 12noon

Vistit our website to book your space - www.Gems4Health.com









SEND SUPPORT

Please find flyer below with information regarding an Oral Health Support Virtual session happening on Friday 16th May 2025 10am to 11:15am.





Berkshire East

FREE

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SEND SUPPORT

Please see Flyer below for events to be hosted by Homestart for parents with children with ASD or on the pathway.

"These sessions are so useful. I have been putting into practice some of the skills & advice that the course leaders have given us. The advice actually works! Also it is very good to connect with other people who are attending the course who face similar difficulties"

CONNECT WORKSHOP

Parenting a neurodiverse child effects the whole family, this unique parenting course supports all your parenting needs. It deepens the connection with the whole family

> TIME & PLACE 30th April 2 hours a week for 5 Weeks

RSVP & INFO

9.30am to 11.30am

Chalvey Grove Childrens Centre Montem Middle School Chalvery Grove Slough SL12TE

INTERACTIVE SUPPORT

- Meet other parents going through the same issue.
- Form friendships and support each other.
- Manage common meltdowns, special interests, anxiety, sensory issues and need of daily routine

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SEND SUPPORT

Please see Flyer below for events to be hosted by Homestart for parents with children with ASD or on the pathway.





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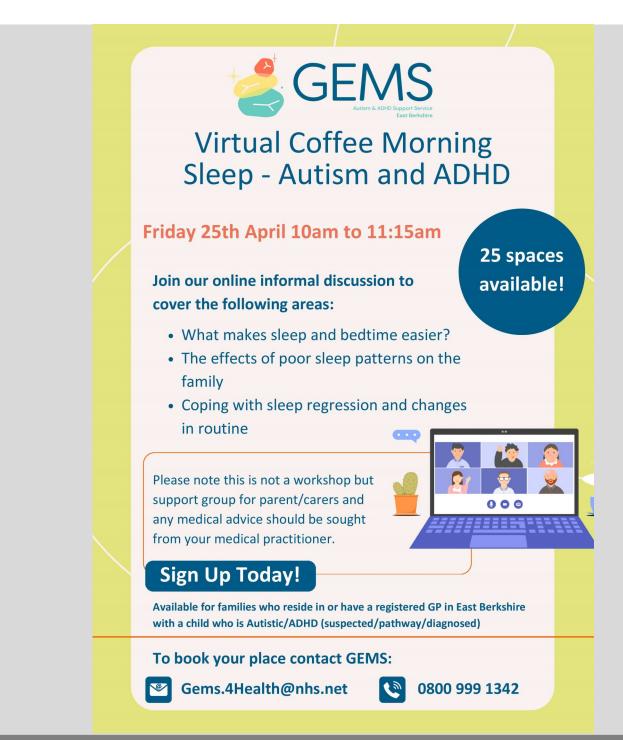
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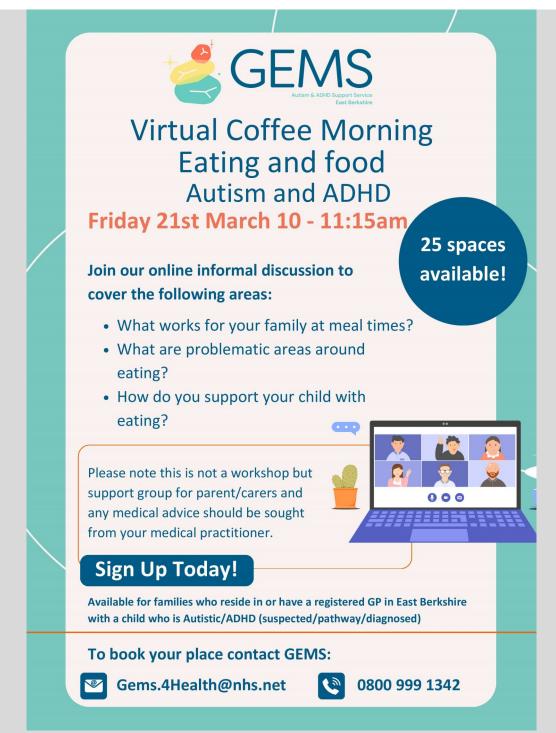
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COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND SUPPORT

Please see the attached Flyer from GEMS which contains details of a Virtual Coffee Morning that can support parents/carers regarding Eating and Food issues and strategies to support families.





EASTER CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Please see the links below for details of the Easter Clubs and activities that are available during the upcoming Easter Holiday, in the local community:

Slough Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme - Easter holidays 2025

Events at the Curve - Easter holidays 2025

Antz Kidz HAF holiday club - Easter holidays 2025

Thames Valley Adventure Playground - Easter holidays 2025

uSports HAF football camp - Easter holidays 2025, May half term, summer holidays

Westgate: https://sloughhaf.org.uk/events/event/the-sportscollective-westgate

Beechwood: https://sloughhaf.org.uk/events/event/the-sportscollective-beechwood-school

Please check Slough Family Information Service website for more information:

Slough Information and Services Guide

FREE HAF EASTER CAMP



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ANTZ KIDZ EASTER CAMP



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MAY HALF TERM CAMP



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EASTER BREAK ACTIVITIES 2025

Please find attached to this newsletter Easter Break Activities 2025

Easter Break Activities 2025

From Slough Family Information Service (including the Holiday, Activities and Food Programme)









CHURCH BULLETIN



Our Lady of Peace & St. Andrew's Church Parish Newsletter



Fifth Sunday of Lent (C)

EASTER OFFERINGS: As we prepare to celebrate the Joyful Paschal mystery at Easter we are invited to prepare to share that Joy through our traditional Easter offering. The **Easter Offering** is an opportunity to support our parish and clergy during this sacred season. Yellow envelopes for the offering are available at the entrances of our churches starting this weekend. **Parishioners are invited to return their envelopes at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday night or on Easter Sunday.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated as we celebrate the joy of Christ's Resurrection together. God Bless You!

Mass Times & Intentions						
Sat	5 th Apr	OLOP	6 pm	Deacon Michael Ossei-Williams & Family INT		
Sun	6 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Aleksander Pepaj RIP (Alma & Family)		
	-			John Lynch RIP (Kay)		
				Jose Humberto Sousa RIP (Christina Rodrigues)		
				Christopher O'Toole RIP (Teddy Phelan)		
		St. A	11.30	Francis Cardozo RIP (Sepala)		
				Pat Ryan RIP Anniversary (Annie Ryan & Family)		
		St. A	3 pm	'Goan Mass'		
		OLOP	4 pm	Syro-Malabar Holy Qurbana'		
Mon	7 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Eily Hamberger RIP, Michael O'Connor RIP, Donal		
				O'Connor RIP (Edward)		
				Pearl Eatwell INT (Maura Potter)		
Tue	8 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Barbara Gallagher INT (Christina)		
				Danny Persaud RIP (Mary Barker)		
Wed	9 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Eatwell (Foundation)		
				Alma Pepaj & Family INT (R. Group)		
				Station of the Cross		
Thur	10 th Apr	St. A	9.30	Danny Thornhill RIP (Shelagh)		
				Station of the Cross		
Fri	11 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Margaret & Joe Haire INT (Kay)		
			7 pm	Taizé Evening		
Sat	12 th Apr	OLOP	10.00	Ingpen (Foundation)		
			6 pm	Vigil – Palm Sunday		
				Jane Hilda Ocholla RIP 11th Anniversary (Carol Ocholla)		
Sun	13 th Apr	OLOP	9.30	Palm Sunday		
				Joan O'Keefe & Nora Conroy RIP (Eileen Conroy)		
				Vera McLoughlin RIP 1 st Anniversary (Collette & Martin)		
				Bridget Campbell INT (Patrick Campbell)		
		St. A	11.30	Mark Brady RIP (Thomas & Millie)		
				Eamonn Wade RIP (Shelagh)		
				Joe Campbell RIP (Karen & Danny Shaw)		

NEW PARISH MASS BOOKS – UPDATE: Thanks to your kind generosity we have already received £4,978.62 out of the £5,706 towards purchasing the Mass Books. The remaining balance needed to complete the order is £727.38. If you are able to support this initiative, your contribution—no matter the amount—will make a meaningful difference. Payment can be made through Bank transfer (with reference Mass Books), Dona or pay to Parish office. May God bless you abundantly.

RETIRING COLLECTION: This weekend there will be a retiring collection for **Easter Flowers** at the end of all Masses.

The retiring collection for a Jubilee Year Collection for the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham amounted for **£218.85**. We are very grateful for your continued support.

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION Loose Collection: £798.36 Sunday Tea & Coffee: £46.57 DONA Plate: £78.59



MASS SCHEDULE Mondays - Wednesdays & Fridays OLOP @ 9:30am Thursdays St Andrews @ 9:30am Saturdays OLOP @10:00am WEEKEND MASSES Saturdays Vigil OLOP @ 6:00pm Sundays OLOP @ 9:30am St Andrews @ 11:30am MORNING PRAYER Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 9:15am Saturdays OLOP @ 9:45am Thursdays St. Andrews @ 9:15am ADORATION Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri OLOP @ 8:15am Saturdays OLOP @ 8:45am Thursdays St. Andrews @ 8:30am PARISH INFORMATION Parish Priest: Rev. Anthony Dampson, SMA Assistant Priest: Rev. Amalraj Lawrence, SMA Deacon: Rev. Deacon Michael Ossei-Williams Secretary: Mrs. Venecia Godinho Lead Sacristan: Ms. Alma Pepaj Safeguarding: Mrs. Mairin Comfort D 07456 948001 / ding.olop@northamptondio Safequ

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CHURCH BULLETIN CONTINUED

PROFESSION OF FAITH – FRAZER SMITH: This Sunday at the 9:30am Mass at Our Lady of Peace, Frazer Smith will make his Profession of Faith as he takes the next step in his journey toward full communion with the Church. Please keep Frazer in your prayers as he prepares for this special moment of grace. All are warmly invited to support him with words of encouragement and prayers.

INVITATION TO THE CHRISM MASS: All parishioners are warmly invited to join our bishop and all the priests of our diocese for the Chrism Mass on **Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 12 Noon.** This beautiful and solemn liturgy is a special moment in the life of our diocese, during which the sacred oils used in the sacraments throughout the year are blessed and the priests renew their commitment to their sacred ministry. Attending the Chrism Mass is a powerful way to express our gratitude for the gift of the priesthood and to pray for those who dedicate their lives to serving God's people. Let us come together in faith and thanksgiving as one diocesan family!

JUBILEE TOUR TO WESTPORT, KNOCK & CO MAYO: Sunday 8th June 2025, £799 per person. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Museum of Country Life. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 75557 email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Date	Services	Our Lady of Peace	St. Andrew's
11 th Apr	Taizé Evening	7:00 PM	Ξ.
12 th Apr	Vigil for Palm Sunday	6:00 PM	-
13 th Apr	Palm Sunday	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
15 th Apr	Easter Reconciliation	7:00 PM	-
17 th Apr	Easter Reconciliation	-	9:00 AM
	Holy Thursday	7:00 PM	-
18 th Apr	Good Friday Station of the Cross	11:00 AM	Ecumenical Service 10:00 AM
	Good Friday - Passion	3:00 PM	3:00 PM
19 th Apr	Holy Saturday Blessing of the Food	10:00 AM	-
	Holy Saturday – Vigil	8:00 PM	8:00 PM
20 th Apr	Easter Sunday	9:30 AM	11:30 AM

CONFESSIONS OVER EASTER: As we prepare our hearts for Easter, there will be special opportunities for confession:

- **†** *Our Lady of Peace Tuesday, 15th April, 7:00pm 9:00pm* Visiting priests will be available to hear confessions.
- † St. Andrew's Thursday, 17th April, 9:00 am

A wonderful chance to fulfill our Easter duty and receive God's grace. All are warmly encouraged to take part in this sacred time of reflection and renewal.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

We publish here the banns of marriage between Ben Michael Wiles, son of Stuart Wiles & Catherine Seery and Sonia Raja, daughter of Anuj Raja & Libby Raja.

GO IN PEACE

They Intend getting married at Our Lady of Peace Church, Burnham. Anyone knowing of any reason why this marriage should not take place is bound to bring it to our attention as soon as possible. **This is the First reading of the banns of marriage.** Please keep them in your prayers.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2025: Discover a deeper relationship with God and the transforming power of the Holy Spirit! Join us for a series of six inspiring sessions starting May 13th, culminating in a special retreat on June 7th. Sessions will take place at Northampton Cathedral and various hub locations across the diocese. This is a wonderful opportunity to renew your faith, grow in prayer, and experience the joy of the Holy Spirit. Be part of this life-changing journey! <u>https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2025/</u>

CHILDREN LITURGY: There will be a liturgy of the word will be held on Sunday 13th April & 20th April at OLOP, for all children attending school years Reception to Year 3 during the 9.30am mass.

1st Reading: Ish 43:16-21 'Behold, I am doing a new thing and I will give drink to my chosen people.' Psalm 126(125) R/ What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad. 2nd Reading: Phi 3:8-14 'For the sake of Christ I have suffered the loss of all things, becoming like him in his death.'

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, Son of the living God. Even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, for I am gracious and merciful. Glory to you, O Christ, Son of the living God.

Gospel: John 8:1-11 'Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.'

CREDO: I believe in God, the Father almighty Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of ins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **Amen.**

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