



# Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter—Friday 27th June

Volume 33

Dear Parents,

What a fantastic week it has been.

We have had sports day for Upper and Lower School and the children showed great spirit during the events. We hope you enjoyed seeing some more competitive elements added back into the day for Upper School. We are already in discussion about adding some races in for Lower School next year!

Mrs Smith and Mrs Brown attended a Slough Music event at the Hexagon in Reading on Monday. It was yet again another superb event organised by Slough Music Service and our children were able to participate. Two of our own pupils even had a solo to perform. We are always so grateful for the hard work that Mrs Smith puts into the school with our music provision.



Next week we will be having our transition afternoon on Tuesday 1st July where the children will have the opportunity to meet their new class teacher. I will be writing to parents on Monday regarding the staffing for September. I am still waiting for news from Slough Borough Council about the potential move into one building. As it is unlikely that a decision will be made by Tuesday, the children will visit the classroom where year groups are currently based. We will arrange another time for the children to visit their new classrooms before the end of term if the proposed move goes ahead.



Don't forget that tomorrow is our first ever OLOP Fest. Please do try and come along and enjoy the day if you can. There will be live music, a bar, BBQ, bouncy castle and much more to do.

This Sunday in Collective Worship we look to Peter and Paul, who both have unique roles to play in the mission of the Church. Peter is the rock on which Jesus would build the Church, and Paul leads Jesus' missionary work through his letters and teaching. Both are heroic followers of Jesus who we can be inspired by.

*Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in Heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church..." (Matthew 16:16-18)*

Wishing you all a happy weekend.

Mr Stopps

**Important June/July dates:**

**PLEASE SEE FULL CALENDAR OVERLEAF**

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

### Class Attendance:

RHA—St Valentine	93.9%
RHC—St Joseph	93.9%
Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska	92.8%
Yr1—St Bernadette	95.7%
Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta	95.8%
Yr2—St Mary Magdalene	96%
Yr3—St Paul	94.9%
Yr3—St Martin de Porres	94.3%
Yr4—St Peter	96.1%
Yr4—St John-Bosco	95.2%
Yr5—St Thomas More	95.3%
Yr5—St Clare of Assisi	95.4%
Yr6—St Maximilian	96.3%
Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita	94.5%
Whole School	95.1%



# UPCOMING DATES

## Important May/June/July dates:

**Monday June 30th**

Year 3 Violin Assembly—9:15am-9:45am

**Tuesday July 8th**

Year 6 Production to parents—1:30pm

Year 6 Production to parents—6pm

**Wednesday July 9th**

OLOP School Feast Day

Year 6 Leavers Mass at School — 10.30am — Parents Welcome

Year 6 Production to parents—6pm

**Friday 11th July**

Friends Coffee Morning—8:40am-10am

End of Year Reports sent home

**Monday 14th July**

French Day (Bastille Day) - Wear something French related

**Thursday 17th July**

Year 6 Leavers Disco—5:30pm– 7:30pm

**Friday 18th July**

End of Term - Nursery to Year 6 —3:25pm/3:30pm



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## ACHIEVEMENT & SUCCESS



### **This week's pupils of the week are:**

NURSERY — Grace

RHA—St Valentine— Whole Class

RHC—St Joseph— Whole Class

Yr1—St Faustina Kowalska— Lara

Yr1—St Bernadette— Whole Class

Yr2—St Teresa of Calcutta— Macie

Yr2—St Mary Magadeline— Iga

Yr3—St Paul— Dawid and Kaleb

Yr3—St Martin de Porres— Rafid

Yr4—St Peter— Gabriella

Yr4—St John-Bosco— Shai

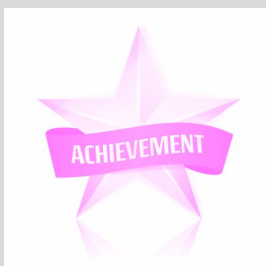
Yr5—St Thomas More— Fionn

Yr5—St Clare of Assisi— Brooklyn

Yr6—St Maximilian— Amelona

Yr6—St Josephine Bakhita— Yuvraj

**Congratulations to all of our pupils of the  
week for your hard work and achievements  
this week.**







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## WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

### STAY SAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

How many tips can you find?

UNSURE?  
ASK A TRUSTED  
ADULT

MAKE TIME FOR  
OTHER HOBBIES

IGNORE  
TROLLS &  
BULLIES

DON'T GIVE OUT  
PERSONAL INFO

SHARE  
UPLIFTING  
CONTENT

AVOID  
SCROLLING  
AIMLESSLY

BE KIND

REACT AND  
COMMENT  
POSITIVELY

BUYING  
ONLINE?  
SPEND  
CAUTIOUSLY

WATCH OUT FOR  
FAKE NEWS

REPORT  
BAD ONLINE BEHAVIOUR

TAKE REGULAR  
SCREEN BREAKS

ACCEPT  
PEOPLE'S  
DIFFERENCES

THINK TWICE  
BEFORE  
POSTING

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# **Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School**

## **VOLUNTEERS**

**We are currently looking for any volunteers who would be willing to come into school and do some gardening. This would entail maintaining the pots, weeding, tidying up the small garden areas outside Year 1 and the prayer garden.**

**Anyone willing to volunteer will have a DBS completed.**

**Please contact: [post@olopprimary.co.uk](mailto:post@olopprimary.co.uk)**

**Thank you**





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## FRIENDS OF OLOP NEWS

### OLOP Fest

Not long to go now! It is only 1 day until OLOPFest on the 28<sup>th</sup> June and we are so excited to welcome you to our first ever Family Festival.



We have a fantastic music line up: Daft! the Haystacks Band, Sing4You Community Choir and our wonderful school choir are all performing and will be sure to provide and afternoon to remember.

We will also have bouncy castles, games, a splash zone, pocket money stall and lots of food and drink options, including BBQ, cookies & other sweet treats, ice creams, bubble tea and our OLOP Bar. Bring a picnic blanket or camping chair and settle in for an amazing afternoon.

Tickets for OLOP Fest are available through Ticket Tailor (using this link <https://buytickets.at/friendsofolop/1709972>) and our early bird tickets are priced at £5 each (for adults and children). Once our early bird tickets are sold out, tickets will be £8 for adults (children's price remains at £5). All tickets are subject to a 25p booking fee. Under 3's are free. Early Bird Tickets close today (Friday 27th June 2025)

If you are able to able during the day at the festival, please speak to one of the Friends of OLOP members who will show you where to go.

Thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing you all there!



Friends of OLOP





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## NEW PARENT FORUM FOR SLOUGH

contact For families  
with disabled children

### A new Parent Carer Forum for Slough

Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person 0 to 25 years who has special educational needs and or a disability living in Slough

Would you like to be involved in the design, development and implementation of services for your child or young person?

Would you be interested in how parent carer forums are involved with services locally, regionally and nationally?

If you are interested do come along to one of the virtual sessions

7<sup>th</sup> July 6pm to 7-30pm

8<sup>th</sup> July 10-00am to 11-30 am

9<sup>th</sup> July 12 noon to 1-30pm

You will need to book by emailing

[Catherine.ratcliffe@contact.org.uk](mailto:Catherine.ratcliffe@contact.org.uk)





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## SEND SUPPORT

Please see flyer below regarding our upcoming workshops and courses from GEMS:



**GEMS**  
Autism & ADHD Support Service  
East Berkshire

01753 373 244 / 0800 999 1342  
weekdays 9am to 5pm  
<https://www.gems4health.com>  
[gems.4health@nhs.net](mailto: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

**Sensory Processing - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 7 to 8:30pm**  
**Autism Course - Wednesday 11th, 18th & 25th June - 7 to 9pm**  
**ADHD Course - Thursday 17, 24 June, and 1 July - 7 to 9pm**  
**Sleep - Autism and ADHD - Tuesday 17th June - 7 to 9pm**  
**Girls and Autism - Tuesday 10th June - 10am to 12noon**  
**Adolescence - Wednesday 2nd July - 10am to 12noon**  
**Managing Anxiety - Tuesday 8th July- 10 to 12noon**  
**Empowering Calm - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July - 10am to 12noon**

**Visit our website to book your space - [www.Gems4Health.com](http://www.Gems4Health.com)**





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**MADE IN BGS**

SUBJECTS  
ON SHOW:

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ART

MUSIC

DRAMA

ENGLISH

DANCE



*Passion*  
*'Ignite Your Creativity'*

**Made In BGS**  
**A SHOWCASE OF THE ARTS**

**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025**  
**5PM - 7PM**

**THERE WILL ALSO BE MARKET STALLS ON THE NIGHT SELLING:**

**JEWELLERY   CROCHET   LASER CUTTING   HENNA   & MUCH MORE...**

**Burnham Grammar School | Hogfair Lane, | SL1 7HG**





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## CHILD'S BIBLE OFFER



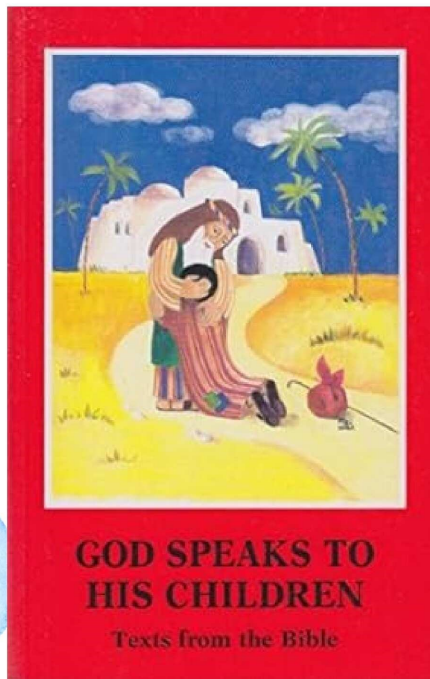
# CHILD'S BIBLE ACN UK SUMMER OFFER!

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# Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School

## CHURCH BULLETIN



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



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#### PARISH FEAST DAY: OUR LADY OF PEACE – 9<sup>th</sup> JULY

Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July is the Memorial of Our Lady of Peace, the beloved patroness of our parish. It is a special day for us to come together in gratitude for the maternal protection and constant intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To mark this joyful occasion, we will celebrate a special Evening Mass at 7 pm on our parish feast day.

Weather permitting, this Mass will take place outdoors in front of Our Lady's Grotto, which by then will have been beautifully refurbished. During the celebration, we will bless both the newly restored grotto and the stunning new statue of Our Lady.

There will be no Morning Mass at 9.30 am on this day. All parishioners are encouraged to attend the evening celebration instead.

Please note that the church car park will be cordoned off and unavailable for parking to accommodate the outdoor liturgy. We kindly ask all parishioners to make alternative parking arrangements for the evening.

After the Mass, we will share fellowship over a bring-and-share meal. We warmly invite everyone to contribute and count, as always, on your generous support. Let us come together as one family under Our Lady's mantle to honour her and give thanks for her love and guidance over our parish.

#### Mass Times & Intentions

Sat	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun	OLOP	6 pm	Lisa Timms & Family INT (R. Group)
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	OLOP	9.30	Mary Lawlor RIP Birthday Remembrance (Goldberg)
				Silvia Fortino RIP (Farrugia Family)
				James Sugrue RIP (The OLOP Choir)
		St. A	11.30	Prithi Mascarenhas INT (R. Group)
				Isla Geromoschos INT for Good Health (John McCabe)
Mon	30 <sup>th</sup> Jun	OLOP	9.00	Florence Matwiejczyk INT (R. Group)
				Richard Kempson RIP (R. Group)
Tue	1 <sup>st</sup> Jul	OLOP	9.00	Adriana Pena-Torok Family INT (R. Group)
				Kieran Cooper RIP (Boundy Family)
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	OLOP	9.00	No Morning Mass
Thur	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	St. A	9.00	Margaret Doon RIP (Kay)
				Kevin Conlon RIP (Kay)
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup> Jul	OLOP	9.00	Thanksgiving for Jesse Godinho Birthday INT (Borges)
				Joseph & Agnes O'Toole RIP (Boundy Family)
			9.30	24-hour Adoration
			7 pm	People of the Parish
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup> Jul	OLOP	9.30	Benediction
			10.00	Patricia Frank INT (Kay)
				McCann (Foundation)
			6 pm	Mary Kelly RIP (Liz Ryan)
Sun	6 <sup>th</sup> Jul	OLOP	9.30	Thanksgiving for Mario Godinho Birthday INT (Borges)
				Fr. Anthony INT (Bridie O'Connor)
		St. A	11.30	Carmel Karunaratna RIP Birthday Remembrance
				(Karunaratna Family & Sepala)
				Vincent & Anthony Cooper INT for Good Health (McCabe)
		St. A	3 pm	'Goan Mass'
		OLOP	4 pm	Syro-Malabar Holy Qurbana'

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Loose Collection: £668.74  
Sunday Tea & Coffee: £37.40  
DONA Plate: £147.43



#### 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  
☎ 01628 605764

Lead Sacristan: Ms. Alma Pepaj

Safeguarding: Mrs. Mainir Comfort  
☎ 07456 948001 /

[safeguarding.olop@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:safeguarding.olop@northamptondiocese.org)

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School  
☎ 01628 661886

All bookings for St Andrew's  
Please contact the bookings secretary  
on ☎ 07546 710834.

**PRIESTS AWAY:** Frs. Amal & Anthony will be attending a weeklong meeting of all SMA Fathers in the UK, from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

We are sincerely grateful to Fr. Pius, Parish Priest of Slough, who has kindly agreed to celebrate our morning Masses during this period. Kindly keep our Priests and the SMA Fathers in your prayers.

Please note: Morning Mass will be at 9 am throughout the week.

Please note that there will be no Morning Mass on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

**ADORATION & MORNING PRAYER:** There will be Adoration at 8 am and 8.45 am Morning Prayer from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July in Our Lady of peace & St Andrew's.

This is to allow Fr. Pius time to return to his own parish to celebrate Mass there as well.





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## CHURCH BULLETIN CONTINUED

### DECEASED

✝ Please pray for **Marie Oke RIP** who passed away recently. Marie's Funeral will be on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> July at 1 pm in St Joseph's Church, Cookham Road, Maidenhead, SL6 7EG. The Wake will be in St Joseph's Parish Centre next door. Marie was a dedicated teacher at Our Lady of Peace School and St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Maidenhead, before moving to Bicester due to ill health. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

**CHILDREN LITURGY:** There will be a liturgy of the word will be held this **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at OLOP**, for all children attending school years Reception to Year 3 during the 9.30am mass.

**RETIRING COLLECTION:** This weekend, a retiring collection will be held for the **Peter's Pence**. This is a mandatory collection for the Holy See.

**Next weekend**, a retiring collection will be held for the **Apostleship of the Sea (Sea Sunday)**.

**24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** You are invited to spend time in the presence of Our Lord during a special 24-hour Adoration, beginning at 9.30 am on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July and concluding at 10am on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July.

**HOUR OF GRACE – PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING:** Join us on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July at Our Lady of Peace Church for an evening of prayer and encounter. We begin with Mass at 7 pm.

### FR. PIUS' 10<sup>th</sup> PRIESTLY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY:

We are delighted to announce that **Fr. Pius** will be celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination on **Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> July**.

To mark this special occasion, there will be a **Thanksgiving Service** at **St Ethelbert's Church, Slough**, with the following schedule: **Adoration at 11.15am and Holy Mass at 12 pm**.

We warmly invite all parishioners to join us in this joyful celebration to give thanks for Fr. Pius' faithful ministry. Let us come together in prayer and fellowship as we honor this special milestone in his priesthood. **All are welcome!**

### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE: 27<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026:

We invite you to join our parish pilgrimage to Medjugorje, a place of powerful Marian apparitions since 1981. Medjugorje, a renowned Marian shrine in Bosnia-Herzegovina, has welcomed over 40 million pilgrims since 1981, offering spiritual renewal, healing, and hope. This pilgrimage includes a rare chance to stay with one of the visionaries.

**Fr Amal** will accompany us as Spiritual Director, providing daily Mass, prayer, and guidance throughout the trip.

**Package includes:** 6 nights in a private room with a visionary All transfers (including UK). Breakfast & dinner with wine daily, Licensed Catholic guide, Visit to Mostar or Community Cenacolo, Private meeting with a visionary, Luggage handling & tips Backpack provided

**Cost:** £690 sharing / £855 single (flights separate; prices may vary). To register or ask about financial help, **contact Christina:** Text 07990 655471 or email [christina@dh-duzz.com](mailto:christina@dh-duzz.com) Join us for a powerful spiritual journey!

**Bank:** NatWest **Sort Code:** 60-06-11

**Account Number:** 46716203 **Account Name:** RCDN Our Lady of Peace.

### CELEBRATING 55 YEARS OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July ☀ 1 pm 🌸 St. Andrew's Church**  
**Grounds, Bring & Share party 🍷**

At the recent Board Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> June, it was agreed to host a friendly 'Bring and Share' party to celebrate a wonderful milestone — **55 years since St. Andrew's Church first opened its doors.**

We warmly invite **everyone from both Our Lady of Peace and St. Andrew's congregations** to join us for this relaxed and joyful occasion.

**Here's how it works:** 🍷 Bring a small plate of easy-to-share food 🍷 Bring your own drinks ☺ Enjoy great company, light conversation, and a chance to reconnect.

A special highlight will be the display of our commemorative tea towel, originally printed for our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary — a lovely reminder of our shared history. Fingers crossed for **sunny weather!** ☀

Let's come together to celebrate the past, enjoy the present, and look forward to many more years of fellowship and faith.

**VOLUNTEER GARDENERS NEEDED – OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL:** We are looking for any gardeners who would be willing to come into school on a regular basis to help maintain flower beds, weeds, and pots.

If anyone is interested, we can arrange for a DBS check so that they can work unattended. We simply need some assistance with ongoing maintenance and thought there may be a parishioner who enjoys gardening and would be willing to help.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the school office. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

### 🎵 SING FOR JOY...OLOP School Singing Club! 🎵

Monika Anton will be running a 10-weeks after school singing workshop at OLOP Primary & Nursery School for OLOP pupils in **Years 4 – 6**.

📅 **Dates:** 16<sup>th</sup> September – 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025

🕒 **Time:** Every Tuesdays, 3:30pm – 4:15pm

💷 **Cost:** £75 for the full 10 weeks

Come and enjoy fun-filled sessions that will boost confidence, improve vocal skills, and bring the joy of singing to life!

For **registrations & inquiries**, contact: **Monika Anton:**

📞 07808 095704 📧 [antonmonika@hotmail.com](mailto:antonmonika@hotmail.com)

**ST JOSEPH'S WELCOMES NEW HEADTEACHER:** The Directors of the St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust and the Local Academy Committee of St Joseph's Catholic High School are delighted to announce that **Miss Kelly Riddles** will become **Headteacher from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026**, succeeding Mr Ciran Stapleton. Miss Riddles brings with her a strong commitment to Catholic education and a passion for student success.

📱 To read more about her appointment, please scan the QR code.



### UPCOMING KEY DATES

13 Sept Parish Tea Party  
11 Oct Parish Liturgy Conference  
14 Dec Parish Annual Concert

✝ **GO IN PEACE**

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for online newsletter

