



# OUR LADY & ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

A member of the Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi Academy Trust

## Newsletter 15th May 2026

### Witnesses of our Faith

In this week's Gospel, we reflect on the night of Jesus' arrest, where He lifted His eyes in prayer and fully focused on God the Father's will. In this final Eastertide assembly, a game about distractions demonstrates that it is not always easy to stay focused. Children are invited to lift up their eyes and turn to God in prayer, just as Jesus did, to help them to stay focused on God's way.

Prayer provides us with focus and meaning, and is a wonderful way to express ourselves to God without interference from other distractions.

This Saturday, 21 of our Y3 children will be receiving their First Holy Communion—please keep them in your prayers.

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following pupils on recognition of their hard work throughout the term.

Reception- All of Reception and Stanley

Year 1 - Dorothy and Carwyn

Year 2 - Zain and Roman

Year 3- Archie and Oscar

Year 4 - All of Year 4 and Austin

Year 5 - Diya and Henry W

Year 6 - All of Year 6

Headteacher - Logan Y6

### Year 6

Well done to Year 6 who completed their SATs papers this week. They took them in their stride, worked hard and demonstrated resilience throughout. They are now looking forward to preparing for the term ahead beginning with auditions for the end of year performance.

### Attendance

This week's attendance

Reception - 96.67%

Year 1 - 94.81%

Year 2 - 100%

Year 3 - 97.92%

Year 4 - 99.64%

Year 5 - 99.28%

Year 6 - 99.65%

Congratulations to Year 2 for achieving the highest attendance this week.

Overall school attendance to date is 96.83%

### Dates for the Week Commencing 18<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Plant Sale at 3.30pm

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 / 2 Gymnastics Competition

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - Year 1 Trip to Blackpool Zoo, Y5/6 Cross Country Competition at UCLan, New Reception Induction Evening at 5.00pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> - Y5/6 Cricket Matches at UCLan

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Own Clothes Day in lieu of a donation to fundraising for new outdoor equipment. School closes for half term at 3.20pm/3.30pm

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - School re-opens

### Diamond Jubilee

This Year we are celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of our school. The school was opened in June 1966 and we would like to mark the occasion with a few key events in school beginning on 15th June. We will be having a dress up day on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June. The children can wear a theme related item to represent either a decade or to wear something sparkly (like a diamond). Rec and Y6 -60s. Year 1 and Y5 -70s, Year 2,3 and 4 -80s.

Grandparents afternoon also on 18<sup>th</sup> June 1.30-3pm.

Breakfast from 7.45-8.30 16<sup>th</sup> June-all welcome.

If any parents were former pupils, please send in your memories and photographs for us to display.

Jubilee Festival 27<sup>th</sup> June 1pm-4pm.

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### Sports News

Well done to our Y5/6 mixed cricket team who won their first game yesterday but were unfortunately rained off for the second match. They will replay next Thursday.

### Plant Sale - Monday 18th May

Our Gardening Club will be holding a plant sale from 3.30pm to 4.30pm on Monday 18th May. The Gardening Club have grown plants from seeds and are excited to now be able to sell these to you. All money raised will go towards improving our gardening area at the rear of school. Please support this plant sale if you can.

### Reminders

Outstanding payments on Arbor for the following trips:-  
Year 1 - Blackpool Zoo  
Year 3 - Bring Yer Wellies  
Year 5 Robinwood - Interim payments can be made at any time  
Year 6-Please return your Confirmation information sheet on Monday.

Please don't forget to contact the school office by email if you have made late bookings for St Edward's School Club.

### Congratulations

During our celebration assembly today, Izzy in Y4, shared her fantastic news about her recent success as the Lancashire Gymnastics Champion for her age group. Congratulations and well done.

Last week, Matilda in reception showed us the trophy awarded to her dance team where they gained first place in the World Championships.

Thank you for sharing your wonderful news.

### Saving Target Meter

