

OUR LADY & ST EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

A member of the Mater Ecclesiae Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Newsletter 8th May 2026

Witnesses of our Faith

In this week's Gospel, Jesus reveals His deep and close connection with God the Father. Children learn that through Jesus, we too can have a close relationship with God. God longs for us to follow Him and to fill our hearts with His love.

As a family we can help our children grow closer to God by praying, going to Mass and receiving the sacraments.

Thank you to Year 4 for leading us through our worship today. The focus was on our May devotions to Our Lady. It was a beautiful reflection in honour of the Mother of Christ. Congratulations to everyone involved.

Stars of the Week

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

Reception- Nihaal & Eduard

Year 1 - Maria & Harry

Year 3- Arthur & Joshua

Year 4 - Lilly & William

Year 5 - Scarlet & Thomas

Year 6 - Afra & Tom W

Headteacher - Olivia M in Year 5

Staffing News

Mrs Robinson (teaching assistant in Y6) will be retiring this term. Her final day with us is 20th May. We would like to thank her for her service to the school and we wish her well as she begins her retirement.

Attendance

This week's attendance

Reception - 93.33%

Year 1 - 99.52%

Year 2 - 99.05%

Year 3 - 94.58%

Year 4 - 100%

Year 5 - 96.77%

Year 6 - 100%

Congratulations to Year 4 for achieving the highest attendance this week.

Overall school attendance to date is 97.70%

Dates for the Week Commencing 11th May

Monday 11th May - Year 6 SATs begin

Tuesday 12th May - Swimming begins for Y2

Wednesday 13th May - Reception trip to Brockholes

Wednesday 13th May - School Nurse Drop In session 2-3pm in school. Private Consultations. No appointment needed.

Thursday 14th May- Y5/6 Cricket Matches at UCLAN

Thursday 14th May- Y3 Reconciliation 6pm in church

Saturday 16th May- First Holy Communion at 11am in church.

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 18th 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 18th June 1.30-3pm.

Breakfast from 7.45-8.30 16th June-all welcome.

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

Jubilee Festival 27th June 1pm-4pm.

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Sports News

Congratulations to Amelie, Frankie, Jessica, Amelie, Sophia, Florence, Scarlet, Olivia and Halle, our Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football team, who won the final of the Dick Kerr Trophy played at Deepdale on Wednesday against Barton St Lawrence. It was a very close game with the winning goal scored in the last 5 seconds. It was a fantastic team effort and well deserved. Many thanks to parents and grandparents who came to support the girls; your commitment is much appreciated.



Y1/2 Football- well done to our Y1/2 team who played in the Preston Schools Tournament this week and succeeded in winning first place. Eli, Oliver, Louie, Ayda, Zain, Parker, Eidee & Henry.

Reminders

Outstanding payments on Arbor for the following trips:-
Year 1 - Blackpool Zoo
Reception - Brockholes
Year 5 Robinwood - Interim payments can be made at any time

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

A Career in Teaching

The Catholic Teaching Alliance is currently recruiting for the 26/27 cohort. If you or anyone you know are interested in teaching please contact the CTA. Details are below.


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St Catherine's Hospice

Congratulations to Wilfred in Y5 whose writing skills have been recognised by the staff at St Catherine's Charity shop. Year 5 were tasked to write a story about a teddy bear donated to their shop. Staff felt that the bear had a story to tell and Mrs Lough knew the class who could tell the story! Wilfred's story won the competition and he was duly invited to spend his voucher in their bookshop. His story has been shared on social media and is displayed in the shop. He is now busy writing the sequel! Congratulations also to Joseph and Scarlet who received runner up prizes.



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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.