



OLQP News

Friday 2nd February 2024
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Forthcoming Events

A reminder to parents that the following events are coming up in school over the next fortnight.

Monday 5th February to Friday 9th February

Our Year 6 pupils are leaving for their residential visit to Derwent Hill this week. We are sure they will have a fabulous, fun-filled time. We will miss you Year 6 but make the most of this wonderful week with lots of happy memories. We can't wait to hear all about your trip on your return.

The staff attending the residential visit are:

Mrs Garbutt, Mrs Carlin, Mr Anderson, Mrs Young, Mrs Elder and Mr Mee.

In their absence:

Mrs Greaves will be teaching Picasso class.

Miss Boal will be teaching Mrs Young's Reception group (Monday—Wednesday).

Mrs Cresswell and Mrs Lamond will be teacher Mondrian.

Miss Addison and Miss Reavley will be teaching Year 5.

A huge thank you to the staff for giving up their time to take care of the children in Derwent Hill and to all of the staff in school who will be covering various roles and responsibilities in their absence.

Tuesday 6th February

Year 1 and Year 2 to attend a school trip to a musical extravaganza event called *Infantasia*.

Thursday 8th February

10:00am - Constable attending Mass

Friday 9th February

Dress to Express day!

Non-uniform

School closes for half term

Monday 19th February

School reopens after half term

Year 2 to complete NSPCC workshop

Tuesday 20th February

3:30pm - Sacramental Preparation session 3

Wednesday 21st February

Visit from Fr. David Smith to talk about his Kenya mission and charity work

Thursday 22nd February

10:00am - Mondrian attending Mass

Friday 23rd February

9:00am - Dali Liturgy for parents

Super Learning Event

Many thanks to all parents and family members who attended our Maths Super Learning event on Friday. The buzz around school was wonderful to see and the children thoroughly enjoyed working with their parents solving Maths problems! Thank you for your continued support.

Attendance Policy

As parents are aware, we have implemented a new attendance policy in conjunction with all schools in the Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust.

We would like to reassure parents that, as this is a Trust wide policy, there is a need for a standardisation of approach. However, we will continue to work individually with all of our families and support personal circumstances as we always have done.

We are continuing to celebrate excellent attendance in our fortnightly celebration assemblies where we present our class trophy. From this term, we are also marking excellent attendance termly with certificates.

Parents will continue to receive regular updates about their child's attendance from Arbor and we will continue to work in partnership with all families in our school.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. As a school, we are asking the children to come into school in their pyjamas and bring their favourite book.

A few parents have asked if children can wear costumes which have already been purchased. On this occasion, we do not wish children to be disappointed or costumes to be outgrown, so children can wear costumes if these have been bought in advance.

However, as a school, we do not wish to put extra pressure or financial commitment on parents to buy or make costumes, therefore children can wear their pyjamas for a cosy and comfortable day as originally advertised.

Children's Mental Health Week

This week, we will be celebrating Children's Mental Health week. During the week, classes will be taking part in various learning activities and opportunities, including 'Safer Internet Day' on Tuesday.

We will end the week with our 'Dress to Express' day where the children can come into school in their own clothes. Football strips are permitted on this occasion.

Half Term Holiday

A reminder that school closes for half term this Friday 9th February. School will reopen for all pupils on Monday 19th February. Have a restful week .