



OLQP NEWS

Friday 20th February 2026

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Half term Holidays

School closes tonight, Friday 20th February, for the half-term holidays. School reopens to staff and pupils on Monday 2nd March. We wish everyone a happy half-term and a well-deserved rest.



Forthcoming Events

A reminder to parents of the following events that are coming up in school:

Monday 2nd March

3:30pm – Year 5 parents' meeting for the forthcoming visit to London in Caravaggio class

Tuesday 3rd March

3:30pm – Year 6 SATs booster classes begin

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day celebrations – please see below

Friday 6th March

Y5 visit to London

Tuesday 10th March

3:30pm – Year 6 SATs booster classes

Thursday 12th March

10:00am – Year 3 and Year 4 attending Mass – Kandinsky class to lead

Morning session – the Chaplain from St. Robert's will be visiting our Year 6 pupils to lead a special Celebration of the Word focussing on transition

Friday 13th March

9:00am – Rousseau Celebration of the Word - parents of pupils in Rousseau class are all welcome



World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5th March**. The children can come into school dressed as their favourite book character or in pyjamas ready for a bedtime story! There are no football strips to be worn on this day please. We also encourage the children to bring their favourite book into school with them.

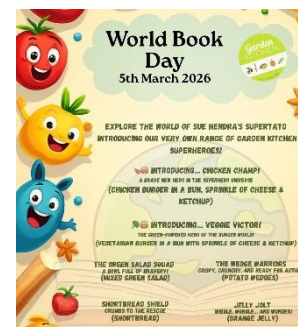
Our school kitchen will be cooking a special World Book Day themed lunch.

Please see the poster uploaded to Weduc for details of the menu.

If parents would like to book a school lunch for your child on this day, please let

Mrs Dickman know at the School Office. Please don't forget to top up your child's

Arbor account with the cost of a school lunch, which is £2.95 (Nursery and KS2 only).



Attendance

Our whole school attendance from Reception to Year 6 for the last fortnight was 95.8%. There have been a lot of coughs, colds and sickness bugs going around the pupils. We are reminding the children as often as we can about the importance of washing their hands to prevent the spread of germs. Hopefully a half-term break will help to fight off the winter illnesses!

We are delighted to announce that the winners of our attendance trophy for each week has been:

Week 1 – Picasso class with 99.2%

Week 2 – Dali class with 97.3%

If parents have any questions about their child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact school and a member of the attendance team will be in touch.

Jazz Camp for Girls

Taking place on the 7th March at The Glasshouse, Gateshead, the day is designed for musicians aged between 8-14, with no or little experience of playing jazz and improvising and aims to inspire them through a range of fun activities, celebrating the work of women in the jazz industry. All instrumentalists and vocalists are welcome to attend.

Timings for the day are 10:30-3:30pm, with any interested young people able to sign up here: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=vO5fGCnKEE68SPKgUEsOND_sVBKysYxMoPtFZXwV7fhUNTI4SVIVNIdJMEaWFRTNjVMM1FIT0c3TS4u&route=shorturl