

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter



### Welcome

Love, Learn, Grow, Inspire

#### Welcome

A warm welcome back to all of our children and families following the summer break. We hope that you had a chance to enjoy some quality family time together and are looking forward to the new school year. We are also thrilled to welcome our new Reception children and their families into our school community, and look forward to watching them grow and flourish with all of their new school family at Our Lady of Lourdes. We are excited about all that we have planned this term and look forward to having our parents and families into school and sharing these experiences with us.

We are delighted to welcome to our team Mrs Scott, who is our new Year 5 teacher, Miss Pattison who is covering in Year 2 until Miss Harker returns to school and Miss Mackenzie who will be working alongside Mrs Armstrong in the school office. They are all looking forward to meeting you all and getting to know you.

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 30th September we will be holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning in school from 9am-10am. All are welcome to join us to and we would love as many people as possible to come along and show your support.



#### Fun Run

As we do each year, the children will be taking part in a sponsored fun run, in school on the Friday 23rd September. This event is very popular with the children and is a great way of raising funds that go back into providing resources and experiences for our pupils. We understand that financially times are difficult, however, if you or family members are able to sponsor your child for this event, however small the donation, it would be gratefully received by the children.



#### Earrings

We ask that for safety reasons all earrings are removed before your child comes to school. If for any reason earrings can not be removed please contact school and speak to Mrs Ashton.

#### School Facebook page



We are launching our school Facebook page in school and feel that this will be a great way to share all of the fun and learning that is taking place in school. A short electronic Forms survey has been sent out to all parents. Please return this ASAP as we will not be able to include photographs or videos of your child on our Facebook page until we have this consent.

#### School Photographs

This year our school photographs will be taking place on **11th October**



We will be using a new company called Phototronics. More information regarding specific arrangements will follow but we just wanted to share the date so that parents/carers are aware that this will be coming up.

#### Meet the Teacher



Our Meet the Teacher workshops will take place on **Monday 26th September**. This will be an opportunity for you to come into school and meet with your child's class teacher. They will share with you what your child will be learning about this year, strategies for supporting your child's learning and will answer any questions that you may have.

#### New Reception Parent Open Evening for 2023-2024 Intake



If your child is due to start school in Reception next September (2023) or you know of any children who are, please share with them that we are holding an Open Evening for new starters on **Wednesday 21st September, drop in to school between 4.15-5.30pm**. Some parents still think that if their child is not Catholic then they cannot attend our school, this is not true, we welcome children of all faith backgrounds and denominations at Our Lady of Lourdes. We look forward to seeing some old and new faces there!

### Upcoming Events

<b>New Reception Open Evening September 2023 intake</b>	<b>Wednesday 21st September drop in between 4.15-5.30pm</b>
<b>Meet the Teacher workshops –All Year Groups</b>	<b>Monday 26th September (Timings to follow)</b>
<b>Sponsored Fun Run</b>	<b>Friday 23rd September</b>
<b>Whole School Welcome Back Mass</b>	<b>Tuesday 27th September 9.30am (time TBC) in church all are welcome to join us</b>
<b>Macmillan Coffee Morning</b>	<b>Friday 30th September 9-10am</b>
<b>School Photographs</b>	<b>Tuesday 11th October</b>
<b>Autumn Disco</b>	<b>Thursday 20th October (Further info to follow)</b>

#### Statement to Live By



Our Statement to live by this week will be: **We are all special**

Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust

Please take the opportunity to talk about this with your child. It will be the focus of Collective Worship throughout the week.

Yesterday was Our Lady's birthday. We pray to our Patron Saint to watch over us all and guide us; we ask her to wrap her arms around all those who need her loving support right now.

