

In Science, we will focus on living things and their habitats. We will develop knowledge and understanding of the reproduction cycles of some plants and a variety of different animals including: mammals; amphibians; insects and birds.

We will also discover animals including humans by identifying the main parts of the human circulatory system and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. Additionally, we will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and life style on the way their bodies function and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.



P.E. will take place on a Wednesday and Scout Ed will take place as usual on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes dressed into school wearing their PE kit. Our topics this term are athletics and rugby.



# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School



**As unique children of God we love, learn,  
grow and inspire.  
We let our light shine.**

**Class 6**

Newsletter  
Autumn Term 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely summer break with your families. Children have returned to school looking very smart in their uniform and are settling brilliantly into their new routines in Class 6. We are very excited for the year ahead!



In RE our topics are Loving, Vocation and Commitment and Expectations. We will also spend a week studying Judaism.

### Important dates this term

All Saints (**1 November**)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

The commemoration of all the faithful departed (All Souls) (**2 November**)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

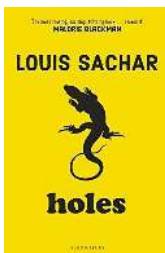
Our lord Jesus Christ, King of the universe (**26 November**)

**ADVENT (Begins 3 December)**

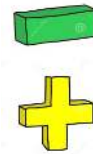
Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

The Immaculate Conception of the blessed virgin mary (**8 December**)

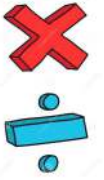
This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus. She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and co-operated with God throughout her life.



In English our class texts for this half term are The Dot and Holes. Our writing activities will link to these books and will include a narrative, poetry and a non-chronological report being produced. Our class reader this term is The Explorer.



In Maths, we will be looking at Place Value, before moving on to the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will look at formal written methods, inverse operations, factors and prime numbers, further developing our reasoning and problem solving skills. We will be then spend time exploring fractions and finally the last part of the Autumn term will be spent converting units in our measurement topic.



In Geography, we will be learning about biomes, we will understand what the word 'Biome' means and why different areas on earth have different climates and features. Moving on through the topic, we will understand what the words longitude and latitude mean and will be able to describe the climates in different areas using geographical language and finally learning how we can use the rainforest sustainably.



In History, our topic is conflict through time, understanding how many conflicts have taken place throughout time and secure understanding of where these different historical periods can be place in relation to one another. Finally, we will bring all of our learning together to analyse how nature and impact of conflict has changed over time.

Please do not hesitate to speak to me at the start or end of the school day if you have any queries or concerns. My email address is:

**[jcroxford@ourladylourdesdurham.org](mailto:jcroxford@ourladylourdesdurham.org)**. Please continue to check our Facebook page to see all of the hard work and exciting opportunities taking place in Class 6.

Many thanks,  
Mrs Powley.