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ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Inspiring independent learners with Jesus by our side

OCTOBER

The Month of the Holy Rosary

October is celebrated throughout the Catholic Church as the **Month of the Holy Rosary**. It is a special time to reflect on the life of Jesus and to seek the loving guidance of Our Lady through prayer.

During this month, our children will have opportunities to learn more about the Rosary and join together in prayer as a school community. We encourage families to spend a few moments praying a decade of the Rosary together at home, asking Mary to watch over our children, our families, and our school.

Through this simple and powerful prayer, we grow in faith, hope, and love.



FAITH



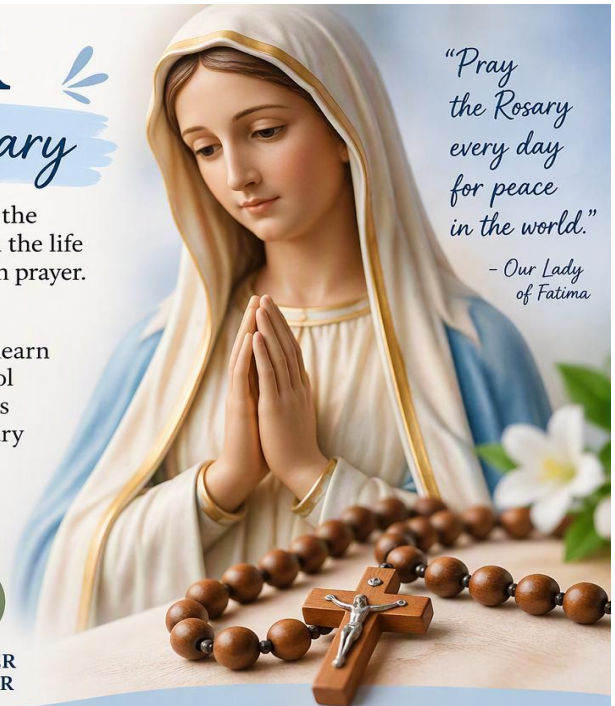
HOPE



LOVE



TOGETHER
IN PRAYER



*"Pray
the Rosary
every day
for peace
in the world."*

*- Our Lady
of Fatima*

May Our Lady watch over our school community and guide us throughout the year ahead.



Next week, every pupil will be given their own set of rosary beads which have been kindly donated to our school. Pupils will also receive a very special Miraculous Medal. Follow this link with your child to find out more about the meaning behind the Miraculous Medal [Miraculous Medal story](#)



Congratulations to our new Mini Vinnies. Twenty Year 6 pupils submitted their application to take on this role of service, helping those in need and 'Turning Concern into Action'. They have planned a **FOOD BANK COLLECTION** from **12 – 16 October**. All donations will be sent to the **Mid Cheshire Foodbank**.



HARVEST SERVICE

HARVEST PRAYER SERVICE - To give thanks for our food and the hands that make the food, there will be a prayer service in school at 2.30pm on Friday 23 October. You are welcome to join us.



Thank you for your attendance at the MEET THE TEACHER events earlier this term. The teachers shared lots of useful information, but if you were unable to attend the meeting, don't worry, you will find everything you need on the class page of the website. It is a useful place to start if you are unsure of homework, PE days or extra events. The support you give to your child helps to develop independence, organisational skills and resilience by having the **correct equipment, reading books and kit in school and completing and submitting homework on time.**

Coming up...

PARENT/CARER CONSULTATION MEETINGS Tuesday 13th October and Thursday 15th October

Thank you for your patience and '*understanding*' as we try to resolve the problems setting up the online booking system. We are working as hard to resolve the issues and hope to have it working as soon as possible. These short, five-minute meetings are a chance for you to meet the class teacher and find out how your child/ren have settled in to the new year. We are also pleased to invite USBOURNE BOOKS to our school during these meetings, you will have time to browse and buy books with a percentage of every sale contributing towards our school fund.

Tuesday 13 October 3.45 – 6.00	Thursday 15 October 3.45 – 5.00
Beech – Miss Welch Maple – Mrs Brady Oak - Mrs Dimbylow Sycamore – Mrs Jones Willow – Mrs Mullins	Oak - Mrs Dimbylow Sycamore – Mrs Meadows Willow – Mrs Burgoyne

SPORTING SUCCESS

Congratulations to every pupil who has represented the school at a sporting competition during September: Football – boys; football – girls, and mixed netball. We are delighted with their achievements and sportsmanship. Our pupils demonstrate the core values of RESPECT, DETERMINATION, HONESTY, PASSION, SELF-BELIEF and TEAMWORK.

A special mention to the boys football team who were winners of the SNCHS cluster competition. Next round is against the wider Northwich Schools, this event is scheduled to take place on Friday 6 November. Good luck boys!



RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION CONSULTATION – RSE

Thank you to those parents who completed the questionnaire and provided feedback to the consultation, regarding the DfE expectations to delivering the RSE curriculum in primary schools in England. Your responses will be reviewed by the governors and staff, and the teaching of the PSHE/RSE programme will commence after half term. A full overview of the '*Life to the Full*' curriculum that is planned to be taught will be shared.

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

Our pupils look very smart in their uniform, thank you for respecting our policy. The expectation is ALL pupils will be wearing WINTER UNIFORM after half term. In preparation for the winter months there will be a **Pre-Loved Uniform Stall on Friday 16 October from 3.00pm**

OUR PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP



Reusing 'as good as new' uniform supports our mission of STEWARDSHIP, caring for God's World. We are proud to provide items of uniform for your child to wear, saving money - we all know how quickly they grow! On the website and in the school office you will find an order form for our Preloved Uniform Shop. You let us know what items you need and we will source them for you – if we have them.

There have been many requests already this term, please ask and we will do our best to ensure your child/ren are fully kitted out in our expected school uniform.

JEWELLERY MUST NOT BE WORN

Despite our policy stating earrings must not be worn, this request has been ignored by many parents. Policing earring wearing and asking pupils to cover with tape, to remove the studs or to provide first aid for infected ear lobes is very time consuming and not the best use of staff time. We continue to recommend that earrings are not worn because it is a health and safety risk for pupils. If you intend for your child to wearing ear piercings, please ensure they are small plain studs. Any other earring choices we will ask to be removed.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



There have been some wonderful reasons to celebrate so far this term. It is lovely to share achievements from out of school activities including certificates for swimming, dancing, gymnastics, first aid; trophies for football, rugby, dancing; medals for running and cycling; and badges for Rainbows and Cubs. Our Celebration Assemblies take place on a Friday afternoon. You are very welcome to send in awards that your child has achieved at an out of school club for us to celebrate at this assembly.

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **OAK CLASS**

who have achieved the best attended class for the month of September
98.5%!



WORKING TOGETHER to SAFEGUARDING OUR PREMISES

Please note that the school campus begins at the top of the drive on Keepers Lane

At the start of the school day, pupils MUST be supervised by an adult when entering the school site.

- If, for any reason, you need to drive on to the school carpark – **PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY AND WITH CARE AT ALL TIMES** – especially those who attend before and after school club.
- **REMINDER: Club parents can use the school car park until 8.20 in the morning** – after this time please park on Keepers Lane.
- Please do not ride bikes/scooters down the drive or on to the school playground. This can be hazardous to all pedestrians
- Please supervise your children before and after school and **do not allow them to play on or with the playground equipment.**
- **PLEASE PARK RESPONSIBLY ON THE SURROUNDING AREAS OF SCHOOL. CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF OUR NEIGHBOURS AND THE SAFE ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**

Please note the School Office hours are from 8.30am – 4.30pm

Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2026

dates and events will be added throughout the term

	October	<i>Month of the Holy Rosary / Black History Month</i>
Wednesday	7	6.00pm St Nicholas' Music Festival – Choir only (new date changed by SNCHS)
Tuesday	13	3.45 - 6.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation meetings – whole school
Wednesday	14	Whole School Flu Vaccination
Thursday	15	3.45 - 5.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation meetings – OAK, SYCAMORE, WILLOW only (Y3-Y6 pupils)
Mon- Fri	12-16	Mid Cheshire Foodbank Collection organised by the Mini Vinnies
Friday	16	3.00 Pre loved Uniform Shop
Saturday	17	10.00 OPEN MORNING
Monday	19	5.30 Phonic and Reading Workshop for Reception Parent/Carers
Wednesday	21	9.15 Reception Stay & Play for parents
Thursday	22	WWII Experience – Willow Class
Friday	23 HALF TERM	2.30pm Whole School Harvest Assembly in school. All Welcome
Half term		
	November	<i>Month of the Holy Souls/Remembrance</i>
Monday	2	INSET DAY
Tuesday	3	Pupils return to school
Thursday	5	2.30 Whole school Mass - Remembrance
Tuesday	10	Poetry Buzz Workshop for Maple Class with Poet Paul Delaney
Mon-Fri	16-20	Anti-bullying Week – Theme: <i>Break the Silence</i> We will wear ODD SOCKS on MONDAY 16 November
Thursday	12	1.30 pre-school children invited to our Forest School Adventure (please book your place with the school office)
	December	<i>Advent</i>
Thursday	3	2.30 Advent Mass in school – All welcome
Thursday	17	Whole school trip to the Pantomime – Snow White
Friday	18 END OF TERM	1.00 Carol Service – St Bede's Church (weather permitted) Collect from Church 2.15pm

*Please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any questions, concerns or you need clarification.
We are here to listen to you and support our pupils and families, achieving excellence together.*