THE ST ROSE Weekly

Our Lady & St Rose of Lima Catholic Primary School

Learning, Living, Loving together in Christ



TERM:	WEEK:	DATE:
Autumn 2	Week 2	13th November 2026

A Little Note from Mrs Hensman

A very happy Children in Need Day to you all!

We hope you've all had a good week this week. There have been plenty of smiles around school this week, from both children, staff and parents as our first parent consultation took place for this academic year. We hope the feedback was useful and will help you understand how your child has settled into their new year group. One of the most important messages we have is the need for children to be read with every night, particularly if your child is in EYFS or KS1. At the moment, we're struggling to get parents to read and write in the reading diaries, so we hope the information we gave out will help you recognise how vital it is that you read at home on a daily basis.

Thank you to everyone who has completed the questionnaire. I hope to read some more responses next week.

With every blessing,

Mrs Hensman

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This Week at OLSR

It's been a busy second week, with lots of different activities going on throughout the year groups.



- The Lighthouse Group led a beautiful prayer and reflection on Remembrance Day, highlighting why it is important that we take time to remember the armed forces and those who have given their lives because of war.
- All the staff and children took part in a two-minute silence remembrance service, with all children wearing poppies for the occasion.
- We saw lots of smiling faces on parent consultation afternoon and were able to give lots of positive praise about attendance.
- Our Advent Attendance initiative has been launched and started today – all children who were in today have got their first tick for the 6 Friday challenge.
- The whole school celebrated mass with Father Gary today and, once again, the children sang beautifully.
- Our school was covered with yellow, spots and Pudsey as we celebrated Children in Need Day. Thank you for all your generous donations.
- The Lighthouse Group packed shoeboxes for the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal and have had to go out and buy more boxes. Thank you for your generosity.
- Our Remembrance Day book will be in the office area for you to come and see. Please take a card to add to the book.

Housepoint Winners

Find out who the winners are next week

Learning Spotlight

Putting Names to the Faces Around Our School

We would like to reintroduce our wonderful staff team to help parents and carers get to know the adults who work with their children.

Our Leadership Team

Mrs Hensman
Headteacher

Mrs Edgington
Deputy Headteacher and SENCO

Our Teaching Teams

Class	Teacher(s)	Supporting Staff
Nursery	**Mrs Mohan** (Mon – Wed) **Miss Humphries** and **Miss Plant** (Thu – Fri)	**Miss Humphries** (Mon – Wed)
Reception	**Mrs Shaw**	**Mrs Muhsen** and *[Name to follow]*
Year 1	**Miss Mapother**	**Mrs Jones** and **Mrs Kelsi**
Year 2	**Miss Elliott**	Mrs **Barnett**
Year 3	**Mr Galligan**	Mr **Lahert**
Year 4	**Mrs Beasley**	Mrs **Deocades**
Year 5	**Mr McNamara**	**Mrs Carroll**
Year 6	**Mr Clewer** and **Miss Plant** (smaller English and Maths group)	**Mrs Finnegan**

School Office, Safeguarding and Pastoral Care

Miss Kavanagh
Office Manager, DSL and Pastoral Care

Mrs Edwards and Mr Cooper
School Office Support

Additional Pupil Support and Sport

Mr Read
Social and Emotional Interventions and After-School Sports Clubs

Site Management

Mr Edwards
Site Manager, keeping our school safe and well maintained.

Lunchtime Supervisors

Mrs Edwards, Mrs Anderson, Mrs Garnett, Mrs Ruffle, Mrs Williams and **Mrs Morris**
Our lunchtime team supports and cares for children during lunch and playtimes.

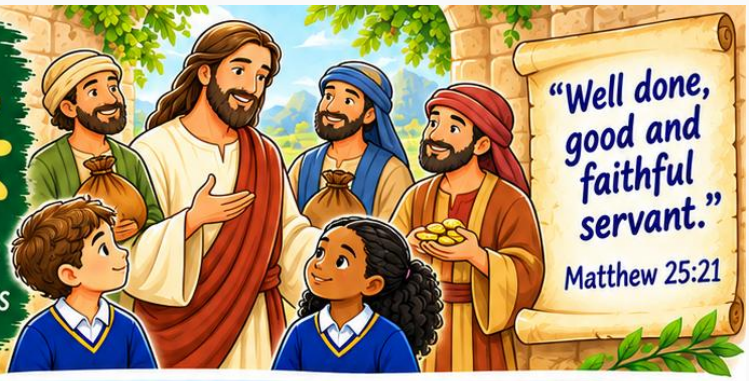
Using someone's name makes a real difference.
It shows respect, builds positive relationships and helps us work together as a caring school community.

Faith & Mission

This Sunday is the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time and the Gospel is Matthew's Gospel story about The Parable of the Tenants.

This Sunday's Gospel

Matthew 25:14–30
The Parable of the Talents



The Common Good

God gives us gifts to share. We use what we have to help everyone flourish.

Faith-filled

We trust God and put our faith into action.

Hopeful

We believe good things can grow when we try.

Think about your week...



- What gifts has God given me?
- Am I brave enough to try?
- How can I help others?

Your Gospel challenge:

Share your gifts!

Choose one gift or skill you have. Use it this week to help, teach or encourage someone.

A Prayer for This Week



Loving God, thank you for the gifts you have given each of us. Help us to be faith-filled and hopeful, brave enough to try and generous enough to share. May we use our gifts to help others and bring your love into the world.

Amen.

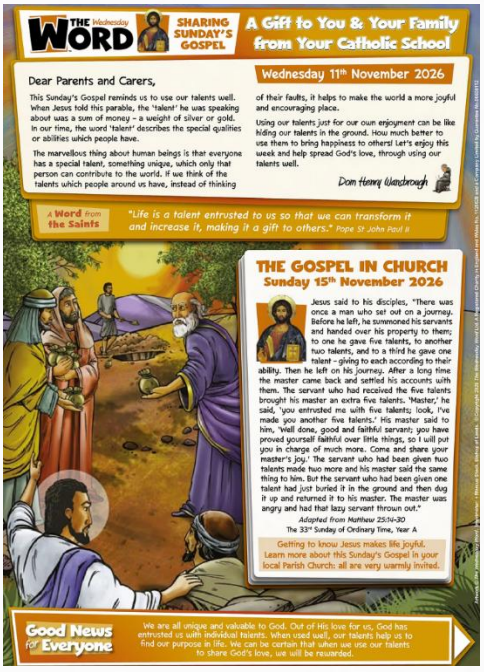


Community & Parish









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Click here to access the St Rose Parish Newsletter

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SEND Spotlight

This week's focus:

Building Vocabulary

What does this mean?

A clear and simple explanation of this week's topic.

Vocabulary is the collection of words a child understands and can use.

What parents need to know

Key information, advice and why this matters for your child/children.

A strong vocabulary supports reading, writing, understanding instructions and expressing feelings and ideas. Some children need new words to be taught and repeated many more times before they become secure.

What you can do at home

Practical tips and ideas to support your child/ children.

Introduce interesting words during everyday conversations. Explain what they mean and use them again in different situations rather than asking your child to memorise lists.

Worried about your child? Start here

If you **have any concerns** about your child's learning, development or possible SEND, please **speak to your child's class teacher first**.
Your child's teacher works with them every day and is best placed to discuss what they are noticing in school alongside what you are seeing at home.

If concerns remain, you can request an **Initial Concern Evaluation (ICE) Meeting** with your child's class teacher.
At the ICE Meeting, parents and teachers will discuss the concerns together, look at your child's needs and agree possible actions and support.

1. Speak to your child's class teacher → 2. Request an ICE Meeting → 3. Agree support and next steps

Need further SEND support?

If further SEND advice or involvement is needed following this process, our SENDCo is:

Mrs Edgington
Deputy Headteacher & SENDCo
senco@olstrose.bham.sch.uk

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Safeguarding

This week's focus:

Bullying or falling out?

What does this mean?

A clear and simple explanation of this week's topic.

Children sometimes disagree, argue or say things they later regret. That doesn't automatically mean bullying has taken place.

Bullying involves behaviour that hurts another person and is repeated over time.

What parents need to know

Key information, advice and why this matters for your child/children.

Bullying can be physical, verbal, emotional or online.

Both bullying and friendship difficulties deserve attention, but understanding what has happened helps adults respond appropriately.

What you can do at home

Practical tips and ideas to support your child/ children.

If your child tells you something has happened:

Listen → reassure → gather the facts → contact school if needed.

Try not to contact another child or family directly while emotions are high.

Talk about it together

Questions or conversation starters to help you explore the topic as a family.

"What could you do if you saw somebody being treated unkindly?"

Talk about the importance of being an **upstander**, not simply a bystander.

Need help?

Further support, useful contacts or where to get more information.

If you believe your child is experiencing bullying, contact school. We can investigate what has happened and work with the children involved.

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Digital Wellbeing

Each week, we'll provide a different guide to help you with online safety at home.

Likee is a free video creation and editing app similar to Tik Tok. It has a recommended age rating of 16+ so therefore should not be used by any of the children at St Rose. However, the name would not alert you to this fact, so it's an app that you should be aware of.



Parent Information

Padlet

A window into life in your child's class!



Our class Padlets share regular updates, photos and celebrations, so you can see what your child is learning, experiencing and enjoying in school.

- Class learning
- Special events
- Enrichment and more!

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You will always need the class **QR code** and **password** to access the Padlet.

This keeps our children safe and helps to prevent the **misuse of AI** by people using websites to access or copy images of children.

Juniper App

Juniper Education



We still have over **100 people** who have yet to log in and register with the Juniper App.

Whilst we have had some teething issues, we still need **EVERYONE** to log in so that we can start using it.

If you have not received the email, you **MUST** go to the office to ensure we have your email address on the system.

Many thanks.

Parent Information

Our Everyday Uniform



- Royal blue V-neck sweatshirt with school badge and gold stripe
- Royal blue cardigan with school badge and gold stripe
- White polo T-shirt
- Plain black joggers
- Plain black trainers



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetable bolognaise Cheese and potato pie	Beef burger Quorn Burger	Roast Beef or Quorn fillets Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken and vegetable Pie Quorn and vegetable Pie	Homemade Margarita Pizza Fish fingers
Spaghetti Seasonal Vegetables	Diced potato Seasonal Vegetables	Roast potato Seasonal Vegetables	Creamy mash Seasonal Vegetables	Chips Baked Beans Seasonal Vegetables
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar With Bread Available Daily				
Jelly Yoghurts Fresh Fruit Selection	Assortment of fresh fruit or Yoghurts	Toffee sponge Cake Yoghurts Fresh fruit selection	Assortment of fresh fruit or Yoghurts	Ice Cream Jelly Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Selection

School Office

Office Hours
8.30am – 4.30pm
Monday – Friday

Our school office team are busy supporting our children, staff and families but will always endeavour to help with any enquiries within a **reasonable time frame.**

If you need to contact the office outside of these hours, please call **0121 464 2283** and leave a voicemail message.

You can also email us at **enquiry@olstrose.bham.sch.uk**

Please remember...

- The office are unable to answer calls or emails outside of office hours.
- If you contact us outside of these hours, please leave a voicemail or email.
- We will get back to you as soon as possible and always within a reasonable timeframe.

Paid Before and After School Club

Breakfast Club
The paid Breakfast Club starts at **7.30am.**

If you arrive after 7.30am, please call the club number so a member of staff can come and get your child.

After School Club
For the paid After School Club, please call the number on the gate and a member of staff will bring your child to you.

Do not press the gate buzzer or call the school office number for After School Club.

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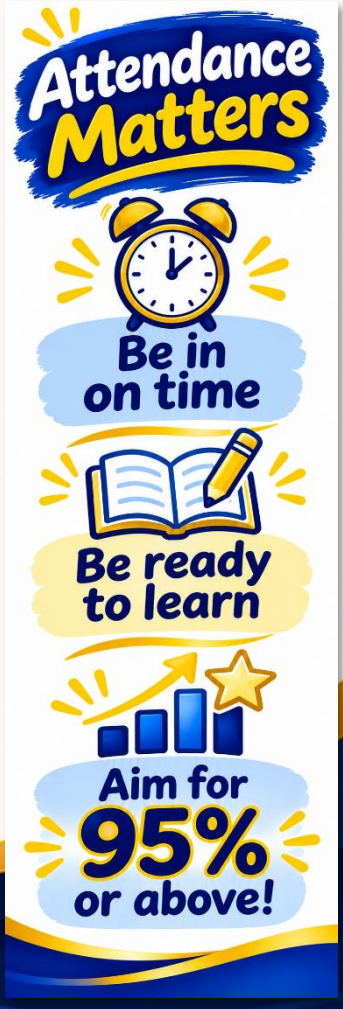

Parent Information





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We need YOUR VOICE!

Out of the whole school, we've only had **38 responses** to the questionnaire.

We'll be compiling some responses within the next week, but we need to have a better understanding of what you think as parents.

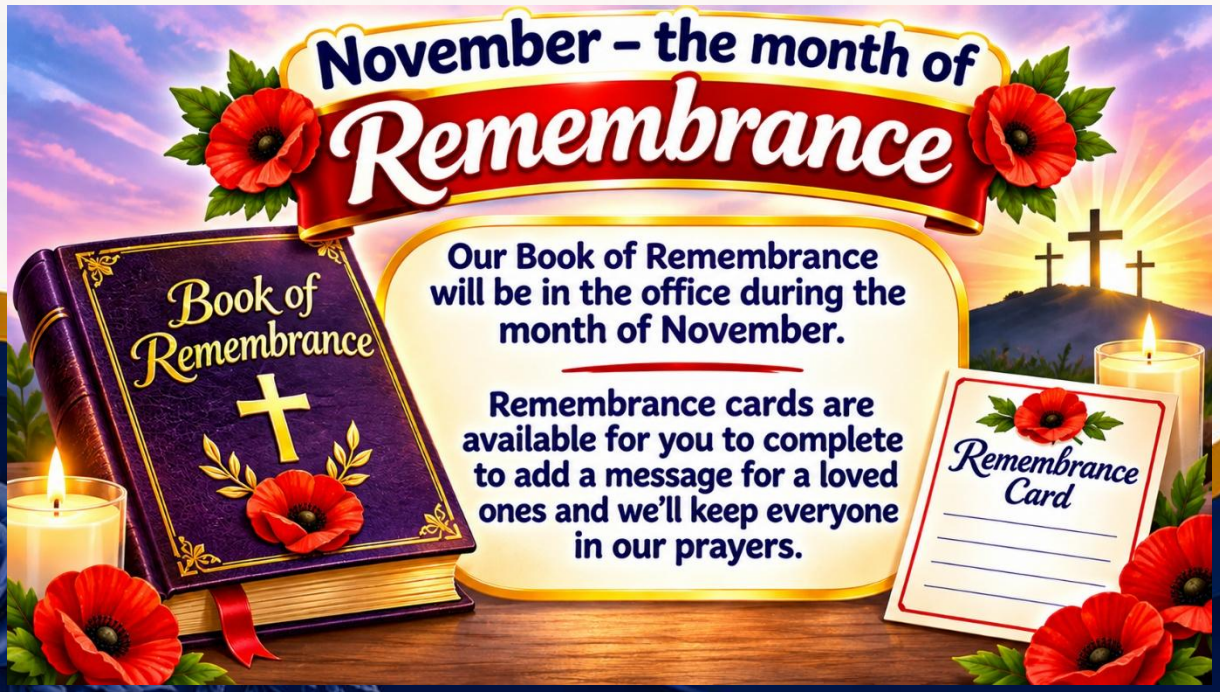
The questionnaire includes questions about:

- Your child's learning and experience at school
- Our communication with families
- How you would like to engage with school (e.g. preferred times for events such as Tales Together and Stay and Pray)
- Ideas for future improvements
- Any other comments you would like to share

Scan the QR code to complete the questionnaire

Thank you for your support!

November – the month of Remembrance



Our Book of Remembrance will be in the office during the month of November.

Remembrance cards are available for you to complete to add a message for a loved ones and we'll keep everyone in our prayers.

Next week at OLSR

Key Events Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Years 5 & 6 Swimming Tales Together Year 5 3.15pm in the hall	Years 5 & 6 Swimming Tales Together Year 4 3.15pm in the hall	Years 5 & 6 Swimming	Years 5 & 6 Swimming Tales Together Year 3 3.15pm in the hall	Gifts from God Assembly 8.45am Years 5 & 6 Swimming

After School Clubs

Monday



Football
(Years 3 - 6)
Finishes at **4.20pm**

Tuesday



Fundamental Skills
(Years 1 & 2)
Finishes at **4.20pm**



Lighthouse Group
Finishes at **4.15pm**

Wednesday



Multi-Ball Skills
(Years 1 - 6)
Finishes at **4.20pm**

Thursday



Tag Rugby
(Years 3 - 6)
Finishes at **4.20pm**



Choir
Finishes at **4.15pm**

All children to be collected from the main pedestrian gate at the finish time.

Please be considerate and collect your child on time from all clubs. Our staff give up their time after school to run these clubs and any children collected late impacts on their free time.

Years 5 and 6 Swimming all week

You can email the school at enquiry@olstrose.bham.sch.uk

Visit our website www.olstrose.bham.sch.uk

2026–2027 Parent Planner

Everything you need to know for the year ahead.

Learning Living Loving together in Christ

AUTUMN TERM

SEPTEMBER

- 1st and 2nd – Teacher Training Days
- 3rd – Children return to school
- 3rd and 4th – St Rose [illegible]
- [illegible]
- 14th – 20th – [illegible]
- 16th – Year 2 Parent Workshop
- 17th – Year 1 Parent Workshop
- 23rd – Reception Parent Workshop
- 24th – Nursery Parent Workshop
- 25th – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Autumn 1 done!

OCTOBER

- All Month – History Month
- 2nd – National Poetry Day
- [illegible]
- 23rd – Our Heritage Day
- 23rd – Children break up for October half term holiday

KEY

- Teacher Training Day
- Children return to school
- Liturgical Celebration
- Parent Workshop
- Curriculum / Learning
- Performances
- Swimming
- Charity Event
- School Holiday

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

EYFS & Year 1

- Monday 14th December at 2pm
- Tuesday 15th December at 9:30am

Year 2 & KS2

- Thursday 17th December at 3:30pm

NOVEMBER

- 2nd – Teacher Training Day
- 3rd – Children return to school
- 9th – 13th World Nursery Rhyme Week
- 10th – 14th Anti-bullying Week
- 11th – Remembrance Day
- 11th – Parent Consultation Afternoon
- 16th – 27th – Years 5 & 6 Swimming
- 25th – Red Wednesday – Advent Charity 1

DECEMBER

- 4th – Advent Charity Day 2
- 7th, 8th & 9th – Assessment Mornings
- 9th – Christmas Story Event
- 9th – Christmas Jumper Day
- 11th – Advent Charity Day 3
- 14th – EYFS & Year 1 Christmas Performance (afternoon performance)
- 15th – EYFS & Year 1 Christmas Performance (morning performance)
- 17th – Year 2 & KS2 Christmas Performance
- 18th – Advent Charity Day 4
- 18th – Children break up for Christmas holiday

YEARS 5 & 6 SWIMMING

Monday 16th – Friday 27th November

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SPRING TERM

JANUARY

- 4th – Teacher Training Day
- 5th – Children return to school
- 6th – Year 6 Parent Workshop
- 7th – Year 5 Parent Workshop
- 11th – Year 4 Parent Workshop
- 11th – 22nd – Years 3 & 4 Swimming
- 13th – Year 3 Parent Workshop
- 14th – Year 2 Parent Workshop
- 18th – Year 1 Parent Workshop
- 20th – Reception Parent Workshop
- 21st – Nursery Parent Workshop
- 26th – One Life Retreat Day
- 29th Jan – 5th Feb – Book Fair

FEBRUARY

- 9th – Internet Safety Day
- 12th – Children break up for February half-term holiday
- 22nd – Children return to school
- 26th – Lent Charity Day 1

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WORLD BOOK DAY

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For World Book Day, children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character, so *start planning your costume now!*

MARCH

- 3rd – Brew, Book and Bake
- 4th – World Book Day
- 5th – Lent Charity Day 2
- 8th – 12th – British Science Week
- 12th – Lent Charity Day 3
- 17th – Parent Consultation Afternoon
- 19th – Lent Charity Day 4
- 22nd, 23rd & 24th – Assessment Mornings
- 25th – Children break up for Easter Holiday at 1pm

LENT CHARITY DAYS

Lent Charity Days

- 26th February
- 5th March
- 12th March
- 19th March

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

8th – 12th March 2027

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SUMMER TERM

APRIL

- 12th – Teacher Training Day
- 13th – Children return to school
- 22nd – Earth Day



MAY

- 3rd – May Bank Holiday
- 8th – David Attenborough Day
- 10th – 13th – KS2 SATs Tests
- 28th – Children break up for May half-term



KEY

- Teacher Training Day
- Children return to school
- Liturgical Celebration
- Parent Workshop
- Curriculum / Learning
- Performances
- Swimming
- Charity Event
- School Holiday

KS2 SPORTS DAY

KS2 Sports Day
TBC



JUNE

- 7th – Children return to school
- 8th – World Oceans Day
- 7th – 18th – Y4 Multiplication Tests
- 14th – 18th – Y1 Phonics Screening
- 21st – World Music Day
- 22nd – Book Share



JULY

- 5th – Assessment all Day
- 6th – Assessment morning
- 7th – Transition Morning
- 9th – Reports go out to parents
- 13th – Healthy Living Workshop
- 14th – Charity Day
- 15th – EYFS & KS1 Sports Day
- 15th – Summer Fayre – school closes at 3:00pm
- 19th – Year 6 Leavers' Performance
- 21st – Year 6 Leavers' Mass
- 21st – Children break up for summer holidays



SCHOOL SUMMER FAYRE

Thursday 15th July
School closes at 3:00pm for all children.



YEAR 6 LEAVERS

19th – Year 6 Leavers' Performance
21st – Year 6 Leavers' Mass



SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 21st July
Children finish for the summer holidays.



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Dates may be subject to change.