

# Newsletter

Newsletter Date:  
11<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Head Teacher: Mrs. Amelia Harding



Dear Jesus

The wise men kept on following the star for a very long time and experienced danger and hardship along their way to you.

Help me to keep on trying when I am finding the going tough.

Help me to be as determined as the wise men.

Amen

## Upcoming Events

23<sup>rd</sup> January - Stay and Play-Reception Class 9-10 a.m.

27<sup>th</sup> January – School led Mass at Holy Angels 9.30 a.m.

## PTA

Look out for future events.

## Head Teacher's News

Dear Parents / Carers

Happy New Year and a warm welcome back to the start of the Spring term.

I am pleased to advise that this term we will be starting a new programme of instrumental tuition for all children in KS2. They will receive a weekly session with a music specialist where they will, over time, learn to play and compose pieces of music on the recorder, ukelele and steel drums. We will be holding a musical concert for all parents later in the year so look out for the date as it promises to be an exciting occasion!

Over the next few weeks we will be updating many of our policies and these will be put on the school website should you need to refer to them. There will be a slight change to our policy on lateness. The school opens at 8.40 a.m. each day and the register is taken at 8.50 a.m. by which time all children should be in their classrooms. If a child is not in their classroom by 8.50 a.m. when the register is opened they will receive a late mark. The main pupil entrance will be closed at 9.00 a.m. Any pupil that arrives after this time will need to enter school via the main Reception desk. Children or adults will need to sign into the 'late' register and this will be marked as an unauthorised absence. Please be aware that, as before, should a number of unauthorised absences accumulate within a year, a penalty notice may be issued by the local authority.

We did not receive any objections during our consultation with parents regarding Friday assembly and have therefore decided to go ahead with moving our celebration assembly to 2.30 p.m. on a Friday afternoon to maximise the children's learning time in the mornings. I look forward to seeing you there soon.

With best wishes

*Mrs Harding*

## Attendance

The week ending 21<sup>st</sup> December, **Class 3** topped the table with 97.3%. Our school average was 89.4%.

If your child is sick please ring on the first day of absence and every other day thereafter. As part of our safeguarding duty we will try to contact you. If we cannot speak with you we ask South West Family Values to call at your address to ensure that you are all safe and well.

We do require evidence of all medical appointments.

**If you bring your child in to school outside of the registration periods you MUST come to the office to sign them in to school.**



# Our Lady of the Angels Newsletter

## Other News and Information

### Mad Hatters Tea Party

On the 17<sup>th</sup> January there is a special Mad Hatters Tea Party school dinner. Choose between pizza or pasta with peas and sweetcorn, followed by pancakes.

### Primary Admissions 2019

**Online applications close on the 15<sup>th</sup> January.** Please visit [www.torbay.gov.uk](http://www.torbay.gov.uk) to complete the application and view the TIPS 8 booklet. Parents need to apply on-line – creating an account is a very simple process. However, if parents require a paper application form, please call Torbay Admissions on 01305 221060. You will also need to complete the school supplementary application form (available on our website or through the office) and return this to the school office by the deadline date.

### Flu Vaccinations

Virgincare are holding community clinics during January at various sites. If you have not received an email from us and need information please call in to the office.

### Staffing

Mrs Twelves has decided to leave Our Lady of the Angels to pursue new opportunities and will not be returning. We thank her for all she has contributed to the school during her time with us and wish her well for the future. We would like to offer a very warm welcome to Miss Rosie Manning who will be teaching the reception class for the rest of the year.

### English for Beginners

Free English lessons are taking place every Tuesday (term time) from 10 a.m. -12 p.m. at CentrePeace, Paignton. For information call Jane on 07891033616.

### Payment to school

From immediate effect please make cheques payable to 'Plymouth CAST'. If paying for dinners please continue to make cheques payable to 'ISS'. Thank you.

### Clubs

CLUB	DAY / TIME
Jo's Dance Divas KS2	Monday 3.15 – 4.15 £1 per session
Acting Up Club Mrs Corline Yr 2-6	Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. £3.50 per session
Mustard Seeds Mrs Quinn KS2	Wednesday lunchtime KS2
Civic Award Mrs Davenport Class 6	Wednesday lunchtime
Premier Sports Gymnastics Yr 2-6	Wednesday 3.15 – 4.15 pm £12 for term

CLUB	DAY / TIME
Premier Sports Fitness and music Yr R-6	Thursday 8.00 – 8.45 am £12 for term
Premier Sports High 5 Netball KS2 Yr 3-6	Thursday 3.15 – 4.15 pm £12 for term
TUFC Football Club Yr R-6	Friday 3.15 - 4.15 pm £3 per session
Choir club KS2 Mrs Tullier	Friday Lunchtime

### Star Pupil

Year R George B  
Year 1 Luke  
Year 2 Molly  
Year 3 Harry  
Year 4 Kaydee  
Year 5 Lexi H  
Year 6 Aaricia

### Star Writer

Year R Finn  
Year 1 Arthur  
Year 2 Sofia  
Year 3 Scarlett  
Year 4 Summer  
Year 5 Patryk  
Year 6 Olivia K

### Star Mathematicians

Year R James  
Year 1 William  
Year 2 Rudy  
Year 3 Elesha  
Year 4 Rudy  
Year 5 Anthony  
Year 6 Dexter



### Handwriting Champion

Year R Nadia  
Year 1 Peyton  
Year 2 Madison  
Year 3 Saket  
Year 4 Madison  
Year 5 Ciara  
Year 6 Andrei

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**Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding children.**

Designated Child Protection Officer: Amelia Harding  
Deputy Child Protection Officers: Saffy Griggs, Tamsin Corline  
Named Governor for Child Protection: Rachel Nolan