

OLSM Newsletter

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We live, we love, we learn, we grow in Jesus.

RSPCA assembly, tomorrow 17th - Please can you help?

Tomorrow afternoon a member of the RSPCA will attend school to talk to the children about how we should care for and look after our pets and other types of animals. The assembly is suitable for primary school age children.

The RSPCA has asked that in return for delivering the assembly, school families could donate dog/cat food (dry food/tins unopened) or unused pet toys. We will collect these items until the end of the week.

Any contributions will be gratefully received and will be sent to animal shelters in the local area.

Afterschool clubs and groups cancelled this week.

All after-school clubs and pupil council groups are cancelled this week.

They will all restart in the Autumn term.

Pirates of the Curry Bean.

Many congratulations to the Year 5 and Year 6 children for their performance of the summer show last week. Whether the children were acting or behind the scenes providing technical support, they should all be very proud of their efforts. The feedback from school families and friends was wonderful. Well done one and all!

Whole School Mass to celebrate 150th Anniversary of the school.

This Wednesday, the school and Parish community will come together to celebrate a Mass on Wednesday at 10.00 am for the 150th anniversary of the school's formation.

Abbot Paul will lead the celebration. All welcome to attend.

The school lunchtime menu on this day will be a packed lunch, to allow children to picnic together on the school grounds (weather permitting).

Contacting teachers.

Please beware that teachers will only respond to emails during school-working hours 8.30-5.00pm Monday – Friday and then only when not teaching. If a message is urgent. please always contact the school office.

Reception class. Mrs Elias - EliasS5@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 1 class. Miss Forder - ForderG6@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 2 class. Mrs Bowden / Miss Farr BowdenK12@Hwb.cymru.net FarrR12@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 3 class. Miss O'Reilly - OReillyS18@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 4 class Mrs Evans - EvansH654@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 5 class Mrs Rose - RoseM10@Hwb.cymru.net

Year 6 class Miss McCarthy - McCarthyM22@Hwb.cymru.net

Mr Evans – vivianevas@monmouthshire.gov.uk

Additional Needs Co-ordinator - Miss Everett - EverettJ11@Hwb.cymru.net

Class assemblies.

Below are the remaining dates for each class. Class families are invited to attend these assemblies.

Last one of this term – Thursday July 20th **Reception class at 2.45 pm.**

Term dates for the 23/24 academic year.

Term	Start	Half term start	Half term end	Term End
Autumn	01/09/2023	30/10/2023	03/11/2023	22/12/2023
Spring	08/01/2024	12/02/2024	16/02/2024	22/03/2024
Summer	08/04/2024	27/05/2024	31/05/2024	19/07/2024

INSET days for next year-

Friday 1st September and Monday 4th September 2023 will be the first 2 INSET days for next year.
The remaining dates are- 27/10/23, 8/1/24, 8/4/24, 28/6/24.

Autumn term dates for your diary.

Meet the teacher – 2 sessions to allow parents with siblings to attend more than one session. At these meetings, staff will share autumn term curriculum newsletters with families.

Wednesday 13th September 3.40-4.10 session 1 (in classes)

Wednesday 13th September 4.20-4.50 pm session 2 (in classes)

Parental consultations for the autumn term -

Tuesday 17th October and Thursday 19th October 2023 from 3.45 - 6.00 pm.

Lower phase Nativity-

Tuesday December 12th at 2.00 pm and Thursday December 14th at 2.00 pm.

Upper Phase Advent Carol service-

Tuesday 19th December at 6.00 pm.

Parish News-

SUNDAY MASSES - at 8am, 10am and 6pm, Children's liturgy during the 10am mass in term time.

BAPTISMS – Fr. Matthew welcomes applications for Baptism of infants and children in OLSM Church. For further info contact Fr. Matthew – 851051.

St. Michaels Centre is available for booking for family events and functions, such as children's parties etc. Info available at www.stmichaelcentre.org.uk or 01873 857570. Or e-mail to saintmichaelscen@outlook.com

LIVE-STREAMING - All services from Church continue to be live streamed on the parish website, in particular our Sunday masses at 8am, 10am and 6pm. www.olsm-abergavenny.co.uk

ONLINE EVENING PRAYER – every day, apart from Saturday, at 5pm on both the parish Facebook page and the parish website - www.facebook.com/OurLadyandStMichaelChurch

CAR PARK – Parents are reminded that the car park is Church property and permission to park is a courtesy offered by the parish. Therefore, parents are asked to park only in marked parking bays, and only to use the disabled bays if you have an appropriate permit. Warning notices are being placed on cars not parked correctly. If there are no car parking places available, please park off site.