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OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL'S
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Another lovely week in school!

TAKE A PEEK!

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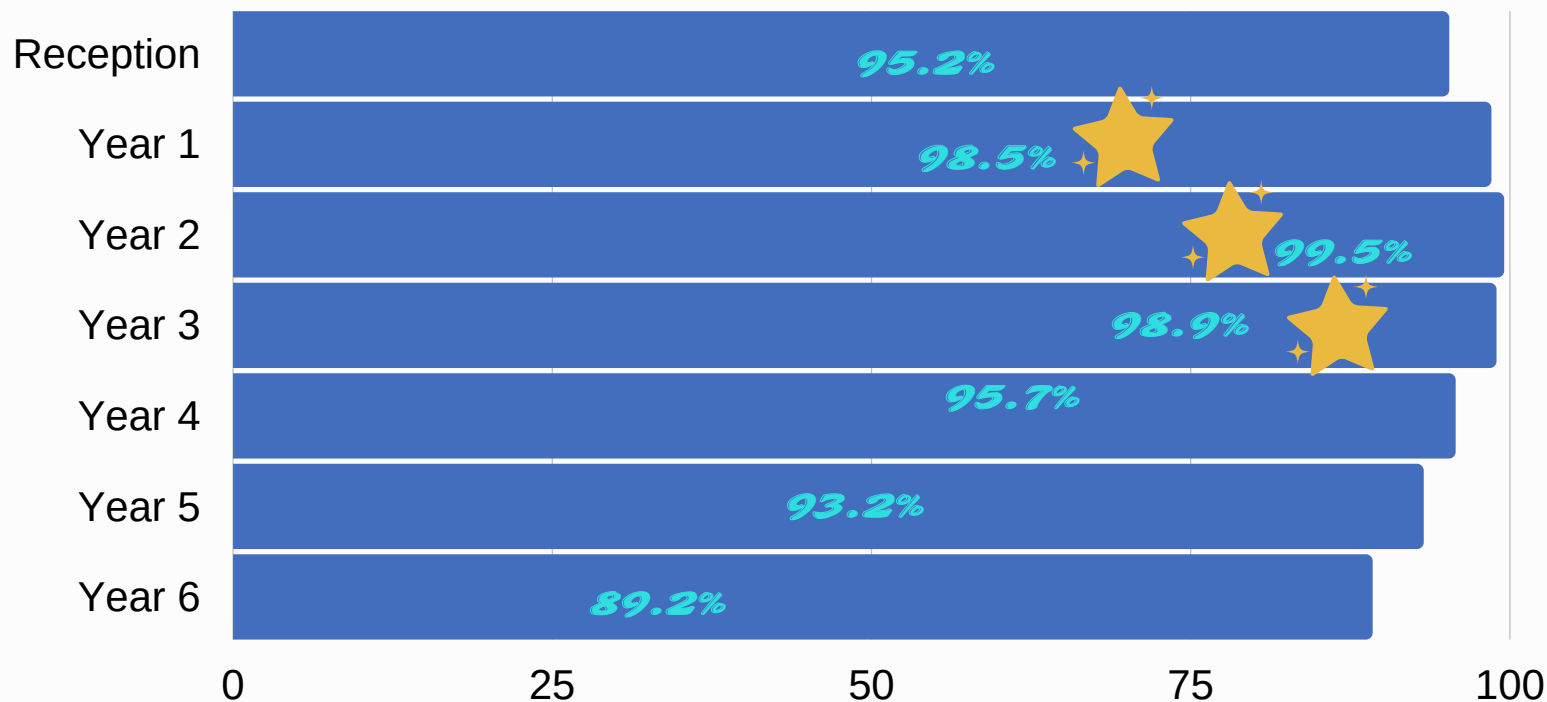
The weeks seem to be flying by at the moment, but we are still having lots of fun as well as managing to keep people safe, though we know that this will change any time soon.

Just to reiterate that we know our solution is not ideal for everyone at the gates, but parents - we really appreciate that you are being so supportive and helpful to us at this difficult time!

Today we have had a few enquiries about half term (from 24th October 2020) - it is still going ahead and, as far as we know, it is just the 1 week. None of our school staff are able to go away, but we are still looking forward to a break - though we love being with your angels each and every day!

We have had a focus across the school this week on reading and on mental health - we are loving our Wellbeing Wednesdays!

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK = 95.7%



Congratulations to this week's winners - Year 2 with 99.5%
They are also this half term's winning class, so will be having a treat afternoon next week!

Birthdays this week...

Tillie (Y5)

Happy Birthday to you
TILLIE!



OLW PARISH

Don't forget...
Mass is restarting at
OLW Church from
18th October
Sunday 10:15am



HOME LEARNING

Please wear a face mask!

Should your child be in isolation, following feedback from our parents, we will now be providing paper-based work packs, which will be completed at home and then returned to school. These will be sent out via the School Office.



STAY & PLAY

Yesterday each class posted a video of reading in their classroom, instead of the 'Stay & Play' that we would normally have! Please take a look at some of the brilliant work that is going on in our school.



CALENDAR

Subject to change:

Parents' Evening	-	22nd October
Y6 Assembly	-	11th November
Stay & Play (Maths)	-	12th November
Year 5 Assembly	-	27th November
Year 4 Assembly	-	4th December
KS1 Play	-	8th December
KS2 Carols	-	10th December
EYFS Christmas 'Play'	-	15th December
Finish for Christmas	-	18th December



TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOLS...

For those who are in Year 5 or 6 and starting to think about Year 7, we are a feeder school for two fantastic local high schools. These school have both hosted virtual open evenings on their website, so please take a look at the links below...

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<https://www.onlineopenevening.co.uk/maricourt/>

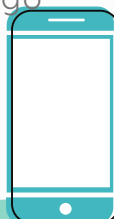


SCHOOL APP

If you change your phone:

1. download the PA Connect APP
2. Press Login and search for our school logo
3. Enter your email and password

All of school communications are now via the APP – there is not a texting service from school anymore!



Contacting Teachers

If you need to speak to us, please do not hesitate to call or email the School Office and your child's teacher will contact you as soon as they can!



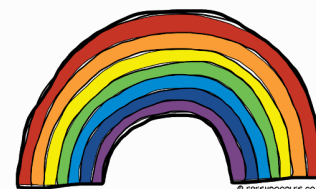
WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

#HelloYellow Some photos of us with our yellow ribbons on Monday - a reminder that we need to look after ourselves inside and out!



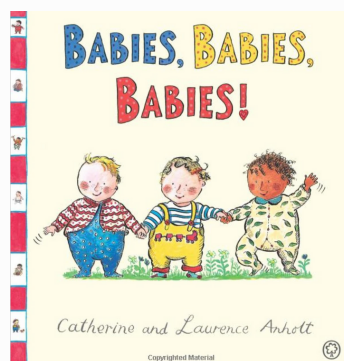
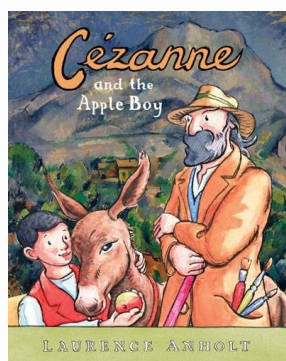
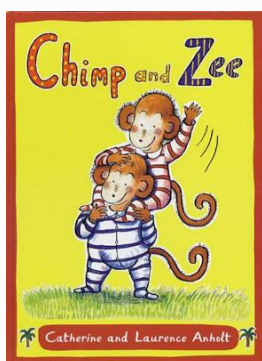
COMMUNITY AWARDS

Take a look at the poster sent out on the APP to nominate a Local Hero during these current times - it would be wonderful for some of our children, parents or staff to be nominated!



READING

Both the Catholic Pic and Educate magazine have shared our fantastic Book Vending Machine with the rest of the world this week! Take a look at our Twitter feed for more information! The fantastic author, Cathy Cassidy, also mentioned the work that we are doing and our library, in her VLOG this week! Cathy and Laurence Anholt have both sent us the most amazing letters and signed posters for our new library which we can't wait to share with everyone!





"Nothing beats kindness," said the horse. "It sits quietly beyond all things."

kindness

A fellow teacher shared with me this week, how much they were enjoying being back in school. I have had so many conversations this week with staff about what a privilege it is to work in this school with your children. Since returning in September, our school has been such a calm place to be, the worries of the outside world don't seem to be able to penetrate our walls. Our children are happy. Behaviour is better than ever. There is a fundamental kindness throughout our school.

As adults though, we worry. I am sure that I am not alone. In assembly yesterday, I shared the lovely picture above. 'Kind' is one of our core values in school. At the moment, we look for the kind smile; to hear the kind word; to see the kind action from a stranger.

The bible teaches us 'Be kind to one another' - Ephesians 4:32. So why not be brave? Be kind to someone at our school gate? Smile, under your mask, at someone that you don't know - it will reach your eyes! That is the world that I want to be part of. And I am so pleased to be able to share that the OLV bubbles are filled to the brim with kindness - I want it to flow out to the rest of the world!