

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Primary School
Newsletter
12th June 2026

Weekly Attendance Figures

Congratulations to St Nicholas' Class who had **99%** attendance week ending 22nd May.

Our overall attendance was **95.4%**

Most improved attendance is St Matthew's Class from **90%** to **96.7%**

Congratulations to St Mark's Class who had **98.1%** attendance week ending 5th June.

Our overall attendance was **96%**

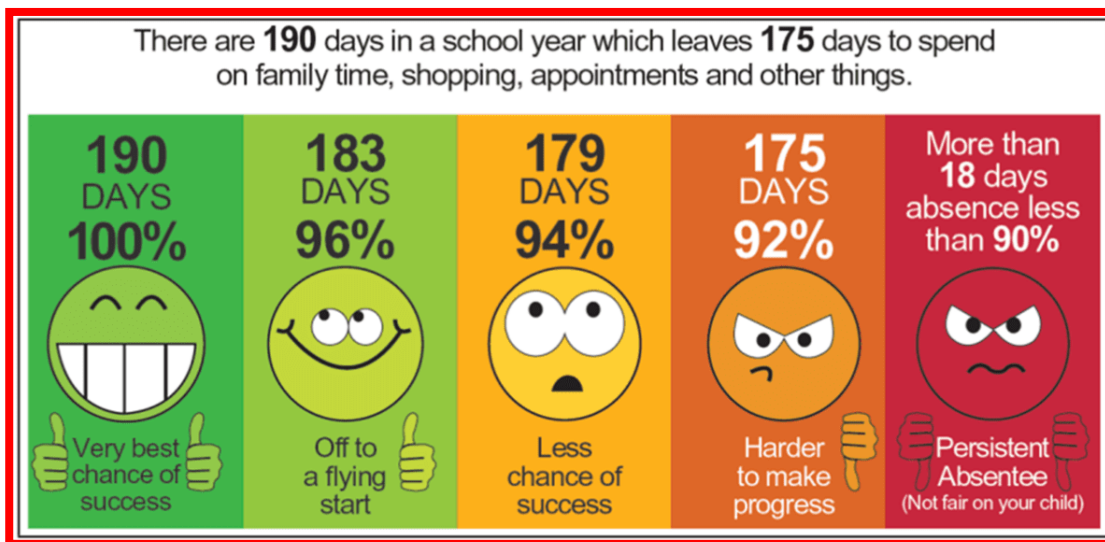
Most improved attendance is St Luke's Class from **88.3%** to **94.3%**

Congratulations to St John's Class who had **96.5%** attendance week ending 12th June.

Our overall attendance was **92.4%**

Most improved attendance is St John's Class from **96.5%** to **96.5%**

Class	Class Attendance For the week ending: 22/05/26	No. of lates	Class	Class Attendance For the week ending: 05/06/26	No. of lates	Class	Class Attendance For the week ending 12/06/26	No of lates
St Nicholas	99%	1	St Nicholas	93.5%	1	St Nicholas	92.5%	1
St Matthew	96.7%	7	St Matthew	97.1%	2	St Matthew	87.6%	3
St Mark	97%	4	St Mark	98.1%	3	St Mark	94.8%	4
St Luke	88.3%	3	St Luke	94.3%	2	St Luke	90%	10
St John	98.1%	1	St John	96.5%	0	St John	96.5%	1
Winner	St Nicholas'		Winner	St Mark's		Winner	St John's	



Holy Communion

On Sunday 17th May, some of our pupils made their First Holy Communion at Our Lady's church.

The children had a class Communion party on Friday 5th June, so that they could celebrate with their friends in school. The party was a great success and enjoyed by all. Thank you to Mrs Walker and Mrs Bailey for supporting the children with their Holy Communion preparations.



Achievers - Week ending 12th May

	Following in the footprints of Christ award	Dojo Star	Reader	Headteacher award
St Nicholas (Foundation Stage)	Melissa	Lucas	Bruno	Nancy
St Matthew	Goodness	Oliver	Veronica	Tehillah
St Mark	Veripi	Saskia	Harry	Jakub
St Luke	Mikey	Gracie-May	Emilia	Cohen
St John	Nahla	Oli	Orlaith	Wyatt



Federation Football Tournament

On Wednesday 20th May, we were thrilled to host our federated football tournament - a fantastic event filled with energy, teamwork and school spirit! A huge thank you to all the parents, carers and fellow pupils who came along to cheer on the teams; your support created a wonderful atmosphere throughout the day.

We are incredibly proud of all the children from our school and St Joseph's and St Teresa's, who demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship from start to finish. They played with determination, respect and enthusiasm, truly embodying the values we are so keen to promote.



Dojo Dash Day - Bring a board game to school

On Friday 22nd May, we had our Dojo Dash Day. The students from our Pupil Parliament chose a board game theme for this half term's Dojo Dash. Children from across the school were invited to bring in a board game to enjoy during the afternoon. It was wonderful to see such a wide variety of games, and even more special to watch the children spending time together, interacting, and having a fun and engaging afternoon with one another.



Chocolate Welding Workshop

On Friday 22nd May, we were delighted to welcome Kids Invent Stuff into school. They led an exciting and engaging assembly, where Mrs Bayliss assisted in demonstrating one of their fantastic inventions. Following this, the children were set an invention challenge to inspire their own creativity and problem-solving skills.

Later in the morning, children from St Luke's Class were invited to take part in a special Chocolate Welding Workshop alongside their parents. Working collaboratively in teams, they rose to the challenge of building the tallest chocolate tower. It was a wonderful opportunity for pupils and families to work together, showcasing teamwork, creativity and plenty of enthusiasm!



Year 4 Road Safety

On Friday 5th June, we were delighted to welcome Alicia Motson from Doncaster Council into school to deliver 'Stepping Out' road safety sessions with our Year 4 pupils. Working in small groups, the children went out into the local area to learn practical road safety skills. They represented the school wonderfully, demonstrating excellent behaviour, listening carefully and asking thoughtful questions throughout.



The children also shared their reflections on the experience. Nuala said, "Alicia was very polite and kind and taught us how to stay safe when crossing the road." Victoria commented, "She gave us hi-vis vests to use at home and taught me things that I didn't know," and Archie added, "I learnt about the Green Cross Code." It was a fantastic and valuable learning experience for all involved.

Sports Day

Here is some key information regarding Sports Day events this year:

Thursday 25th June - 9am - 11.15am
Foundation Stage, St Matthew and St Mark's class

Wednesday 1st July
St Luke and St John's class 9am - 11.15am



On the morning of your child's Sports Day, please drop your child off at their normal classroom entrance at the usual time of 8:45am. You are then welcome to make your way over to our school field and take your seat.

We would like to invite the end of the week nursery children to attend sports day, please arrive at 8.50am and make your way over to the school field with your child. The class teacher will come and collect your child before the events start. They will be returned to you, after the events have finished, for you to take them home.

Children should have/wear:

- Full school PE kit (white plain t-shirt, black/navy shorts)
- Water bottle
- Sun hat
- Sun cream

The PTA will be holding a drinks stall at both of our Sports Days, offering a variety of drinks for sale; these can be paid for by cash or card, although there is a minimum card spend of £1.

Transition day

On Wednesday 8th July, the children will spend the day with their new teacher. Children should arrive at school at the usual time of 8:45am and go to their usual classes to be registered.

At 9am, the children will move to their new classroom. At the end of the school day, the children will return to their usual classrooms to collect their belongings. Please collect your child from their current classroom at 3:25pm (KS1) or 3:30pm (KS2).

Parents with children joining our nursery in September:

Please bring your child to the main entrance of school at 9am and then collect your child at 11:45am.

Mrs Royle, our school's office manager, and Mrs Gac (Headteacher) will lead a welcome meeting at 9:15am in the school hall; here you will be provided with the necessary information needed to make your child's transition to Our Lady's as smooth as possible.

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition

Our Year 6 children will soon be attending transition days at their new secondary schools. Parents will be contacted directly by the secondary schools to confirm all arrangements and further details.

The transition dates are as follows:

- McAuley Catholic School - Thursday 24th June
- Don Valley Academy - Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July
- Outwood Academy Adwick - Wednesday 8th July and Thursday 9th July.

For any further information on these dates please contact the relevant school directly.



OLPH Building Fund

As a voluntary aided school, we have to pay 10% towards any capital building improvements to our school. To help towards these costs we ask for a contribution of £30.00 per family per academic year. In recent years this fundraising has supported the building of our beautiful new library and the replacement of the Foundation Unit floor. Your contribution can be paid as a one-off payment of £30.00 on ParentPay or in smaller instalments. We really hope you can support us by making a contribution from your family to help us maintain the very best learning environment for our children.



After School Clubs - Summer term 1

Please see the table below for the after-school clubs.



After School Clubs	Year Groups
Monday - Football (begins 1 st June)	Reception, Year 1 and 2
Tuesday - Tag Rugby (begins 2 nd June)	Years 3,4,5 & 6
Wednesday - Golf (begins 3 rd June)	Mixed age group - Reception - Year 6

School Uniform Reminder

We believe that school uniform gives pupils a sense of pride and belonging within our school community. It also makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance. Please see below a list of our school uniform.

Girls

Grey or Black trousers/ skirt/
pinafore dress
Summer red gingham dress
White blouse/polo shirt
Red cardigan/ sweatshirt
Black
shoes/ black trainers

Boys

Grey or black
trousers/shorts
White shirt/polo shirt
Red Sweatshirt/jumper
Black shoes/ black
trainers



Jewellery, make up and nails

Please note that jewellery is not permitted to be worn in school with the exception of a small pair of plain, studded earrings and a watch. Earrings must be removed before PE - we do not permit plasters to be worn over earrings during PE.

Children are not permitted to wear make up to school unless there is an agreed non-uniform or dress up day.

Please be reminded that, in line with our health and safety requirements, students are not permitted to wear false or acrylic nails while at school. These nails can pose safety risks during practical lessons, physical activities, and everyday school routines, and may also make it difficult to maintain proper hygiene. Children will not be permitted to participate in PE lessons, break times outside or physical activities until nails are removed. To ensure a safe learning environment for all students, we ask that nails remain natural, clean, free from nail varnish and of an appropriate length.



PE days

Each class has two PE sessions per week, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

For morning sessions, children should come to school dressed in their PE kit, but must also bring their school uniform to change into afterwards.

For afternoon sessions, children should arrive in their school uniform, and bring their PE kit with them to change into before the lesson.

If a child forgets their PE kit, they will be provided with a spare kit from school to ensure they can still take part. Thank you for your support in helping us keep PE running smoothly!



Please see below the relevant PE days for each class.

Day of the week	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Foundation Stage St John's Class	St Luke' Class
Wednesday	N/A	St Matthew's Class St Mark's
Thursday	St Matthew's class St Mark's Class	St John's Class
Friday	St Luke' Class	Foundation Stage

PE Kit

Black/navy PE shorts or tracksuit bottoms

Plain white T-shirt/polo shirt

Plain black/navy sweatshirt/tracksuit jacket

Trainers/ pumps

No logos of any type



Diary Dates

Event	Date
Year 5 Gulliver's Residential	Wednesday 17 th June - Thursday 18 th June
Football Fever Special Dinner	Wednesday 17 th June
Y4 Quad Kids Athletics Tournament (PM)	Thursday 18 th June (PM)
Year 6 PGL Dearne Valley Residential	Monday 22 nd June - Wednesday 24 th June
Foundation and Key Stage 1 Sports Day	Thursday 25 th June
Catholic Cup Football Tournament	Friday 26 th June
Year 2/3 End of Year Assembly 2:45pm	Monday 29 th June
Key Stage 2 Sports Day	Wednesday 1 st July
Foundation Stage End of Year Assembly 2:45pm	Wednesday 1 st July
Summer Fair (3:30pm onwards)	Friday 3 rd July
Year 1/2 End of Year Assembly 2:45pm	Monday 6 th July
Whole School Transition Day	Wednesday 8 th July
Don Valley Transition for Year 6 (2 days)	Wednesday 8 th July - Thursday 9 th July
School Reports to go out	Friday 10 th July
Year 6 Sleepover	Friday 10 th July
Year 4/5 End of Year Assembly 2:45pm	Tuesday 14 th July
Ice Cream Van	Wednesday 15 th July (10:15am)
Leavers Assembly 2:30pm	Thursday 16 th July
Leavers Mass 10:45	Friday 17 th July
Foundation and Year 6 Buddies Picnic	Friday 17 th July
School closes for the summer holidays	Friday 17 th July (3:30pm)

Our Virtue to Live by:

Honesty

I tell the truth.

I am reliable and trustworthy.

My actions match my words.

I am honest with myself and others even when it is difficult.

"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body." Ephesians 4:25

OLPH 2025/26 Academic Year - School Holidays

School opens	School closes at the end of the school day
Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	Thursday 23 rd October 2025
Monday 1 st September 2025 - Training Day	Friday 24 th October 2025 - Training Day
Monday 3 rd November 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025
Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Friday 13 th February 2026
Monday 5 th January 2026 - Training Day	
Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026
Monday 23 rd February 2026 - Training Day	
Monday 13 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026
Monday 4 th May 2026 - Bank Holiday	
Monday 1 st June 2026	Friday 17 th July 2026
	Monday 20 th July 2026 - Training Day

All dates in red the school will be closed to students

Bank holidays:	Training Days:
Monday 4 th May 2026	Monday 1 st September 2025 Friday 24 th October 2025 Monday 5 th January 2026 Monday 23 rd February 2026 Monday 20 th July 2026

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Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026
Monday 4 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027
Monday 22 nd February 2027	Thursday 25 th March 2027
	Friday 26th March - Bank Holiday
Monday 12 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027
Monday 3 rd May 2027 - Bank Holiday	
Monday 7 th June 2027	Friday 16 th July 2027
Monday 19th July - Training Day	Tuesday 20th July - Training Day
Wednesday 21st July - Training Day	

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Friday 26 th March 2027 Monday 3 rd May 2027	Tuesday 1 st September 2026 Friday 2 nd October 2026 Monday 19 th July 2027 Tuesday 20 th July 2027 Wednesday 21 st July 2027