

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Primary School
Newsletter
15th May 2026

Weekly Attendance Figures

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Our overall attendance was **94.7%**

Most improved attendance is St Nicholas' Class from **91.5%** to **94.4%**

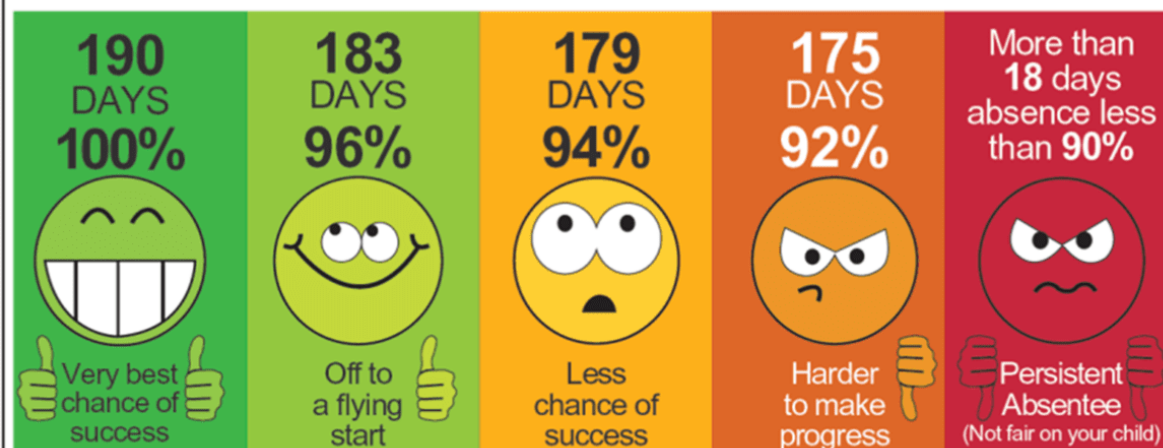
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Our overall attendance was **95.8%**

Most improved attendance is St Mark's Class from **94.4%** to **96.7%**

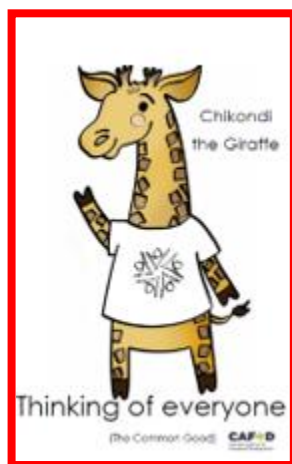
Class	Class Attendance For the week ending: 08/05/26	No. of lates	Class	Class Attendance For the week ending: 15/05/26	No. of lates
St Nicholas	94.4%	0	St Nicholas	94%	0
St Matthew	88.7%	4	St Matthew	90%	3
St Mark	94.4%	1	St Mark	96.7%	4
St Luke	97%	2	St Luke	97.9%	2
St John	97.4%	1	St John	98.5%	0
Winner	St John's'		Winner	St John's	

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



Achievers - Week ending 8th May

	Following in the footprints of Christ award	Dojo Star	Reader	Headteacher award
St Nicholas (Foundation Stage)	Parker	Riley	Lucas	Aria
St Matthew	Maryann	Reuben	Elliott	Deborah
St Mark	Fola	Kai	Auburn	Dominik P
St Luke	Shalom	Arlo	Victoria	Cillian
St John	Ola	Victoria	Shekinah	Amber



Achievers - Week ending 15th May

	Following in the footprints of Christ award	Dojo Star	Reader	Headteacher award
St Nicholas (Foundation Stage)	Deity	Alexis	Adesire	Fabian
St Matthew	Khloe	Goodness	Leonardo	Elias
St Mark	Tiwa	Saskia	David	Guy
St Luke	Koby	Olivia R	Nuala	Edward P
St John	Calista	Ola	N/A	N/A



Year 6 SATs

Well done to all of the Y6 students who completed their SATs tests this week. The staff at Our Lady's are incredibly proud of the resilience you showed, the excellent progress you have made and how determined you all were. No matter what the outcomes of the tests, know that you tried your best and that you are all AMAZING!



Federation Football Tournament

We look forward to holding our next federated football tournament on **Wednesday 20th May** and would like to warmly invite all parents to come along and support our team. The tournament will take place from **4:00pm until 4:50pm**. Children who have been selected to take part may remain at school from **3:30pm** to get changed and prepare for the event. Please note that all other siblings must be collected at their usual time. We hope to see many of you there cheering on our players!



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Non-Uniform Day

On Tuesday 19th May, we will be holding a non-uniform day in school. Instead of the usual £1 donation, we kindly ask families to contribute a bottle donation to support the PTA tombola at our upcoming Summer Fair. The PTA would greatly appreciate a variety of bottles, such as squash, fizzy drinks, beer, wine, spirits, as well as items like perfume or shampoo. Thank you in advance for your generosity and continued support—every donation will help make the Summer Fair a wonderful success for our school community.



Big Talk

We are pleased to be working again this year with Big Talk Education to deliver our annual Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) provision. Big Talk will be visiting school on Tuesday 9th June, where they will work with each year group to deliver the Growing Up Safe programme. This programme supports pupils in developing an age-appropriate understanding of relationships, personal safety and wellbeing, in line with statutory guidance. To support parents and carers, Big Talk have produced a series of informative presentations outlining the content covered in each year group.

You can access these using the following link: <https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/year-by-year-2/> using the password: **BigTalkRSE**.

Census Day Dinner

Please can we encourage all pupils to have a school meal on

Thursday 22nd May 2026.

On this day, we have to send detailed school data to the government and school meal uptake on this day will directly affect our funding for the next financial year.

Please support us to help increase our funding as we strive to give your children the best possible education.

Thank you.



Dojo Dash Day - Bring a board game to school (if you have one)

Pupil Parliament have asked that this half term's Dojo Dash is board gamed themed. They would like children to be able to bring a board game to school to play in the afternoon. Please ensure that your child's board game is labelled and we will do our best to ensure they are returned with all their parts (fingers crossed).



Please do not worry if you do not have one, I am sure that there will be more than enough games to play with.

School uniform to be worn, please.

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
Federation Football Tournament 2 of 2 at Our Lady's 4-5pm (Parents welcome)	Wednesday 20 th May
Best of British School Dinner	Thursday 21 st May
Dojo Dash Day - theme tbc	Friday 22 nd May
Summer Half Term - School Closed	Monday 25 th May - Friday 29 th May
Home Visits 3 of 3	Tuesday 2 nd June
Year 4 Road Safety	Thursday 5 th June
Phonics Screening Check	Monday 8 th June - Friday 12 th June
Big Talk	Tuesday 9 th June
Class Photos	Wednesday 10 th June
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:

Perseverance and Resilience

I will not give up.

I will have faith and hope even when things are difficult.

"O God, put a steadfast spirit within me." Psalm 50:12

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 1st September 2025 - Training Day	Friday 24th 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 5th January 2026 - Training Day	
Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026
Monday 23rd February 2026 - Training Day	
Monday 13 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026
Monday 4th May 2026 - Bank Holiday	
Monday 1 st June 2026	Friday 17 th July 2026
	Monday 20th 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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	Friday 26 th 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 19 th July - Training Day	Tuesday 20 th July - Training Day
Wednesday 21 st 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