

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Primary School**  
**Newsletter**  
**18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**Weekly Attendance Figures**

Congratulations to St John's Class who had **99.5%** attendance week ending 11<sup>th</sup> July.  
Our overall attendance was **96.8%**

Congratulations to St Luke's Class who had **96.9%** attendance week ending 18<sup>th</sup> July.  
Our overall attendance was **96.1%**

| Class         | Class Attendance<br>For the week<br>ending:<br>11/07/25 | No.<br>of<br>lates | Class         | Class Attendance<br>For the week<br>ending:<br>18/07/25 | No. of<br>lates |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| St Nicholas   | <b>96.4%</b>                                            | <b>3</b>           | St Nicholas   | <b>86.4%</b>                                            | <b>2</b>        |
| St Matthew    | <b>99%</b>                                              | <b>2</b>           | St Matthew    | <b>98.3%</b>                                            | <b>1</b>        |
| St Mark       | <b>97%</b>                                              | <b>2</b>           | St Mark       | <b>96.7%</b>                                            | <b>2</b>        |
| St Luke       | <b>92.8%</b>                                            | <b>1</b>           | St Luke       | <b>96.9%</b>                                            | <b>2</b>        |
| St John       | <b>99.5%</b>                                            | <b>0</b>           | St John       | <b>96.5%</b>                                            | <b>0</b>        |
| <b>Winner</b> | <b>St John</b>                                          |                    | <b>Winner</b> | <b>St Luke</b>                                          |                 |



As this is the last newsletter for this academic year, on behalf of all the staff, we would to take this opportunity to thank everybody for their continued support over the year.

A very special thank you and goodbye to Mrs Collins—your warmth, wisdom, and unwavering support has touched so many lives. You will be deeply missed, and we hope your next chapter brings you as much joy as you've given to others here.

We would like to extend our heartfelt best wishes to Mrs Hutchinson, Mrs Kelly and Mr Collins who are leaving us—thank you for your dedication, hard work, and the positive impact you've made during your time here.

Good luck to all of our Year 6 pupils as they leave us to start their next chapter in their new schools.

We wish you all a lovely summer break and look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

## Achievers - Week ending 11<sup>th</sup> July

|                                   | Following in the<br>footprints of<br>Christ award | Dojo Star | Reader   | Homework |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|
| St Nicholas<br>(Foundation Stage) | Elliott                                           | Nancy     | Maryann  | Edward G |
| St Matthew                        | Lunar                                             | Oliver B  | TommyJoe | Auburn   |
| St Mark                           | Maya                                              | Willow    | Amelia   | Isabelle |
| St Luke                           | Adesola                                           | Ola       | Amber P  | N/A      |



## 100% Attendance

Congratulations to Arya, Victoria K, Deacon, Tehillah, Lucas B and Henry who achieved 100% attendance this school year! Your commitment to attending school every day is truly inspiring. You've set a fantastic example for your peers and we are incredibly proud of your achievement—well done and keep up the amazing work!



## Leavers' Mass

Thank you to Fr Emmanuel for celebrating Mass with us on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July. During the Mass, we celebrated our Y6 leavers and gifted each of them with a hand-held cross. We asked the children to think of Our Lady's when they pray. Thank you to those of you who were able to attend.



## Catholic Cup football tournament

Well done to all of the children who participated in the Catholic Cup football tournament on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

A huge congratulations to our boys football team for their fantastic achievement in reaching the semi-finals and securing an impressive 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish, and a special shout-out to our girls team for their outstanding performance in making it all the way to the finals and finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>. Well done to both teams!

During the tournament, the children showed great teamwork and determination and made Our Lady's proud. Thank you to Mr Moxon for preparing the children for the tournament.



## Year 6 Sleep Over

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, our Year 6 students enjoyed a memorable sleepover in school to celebrate their final days together. The evening was filled with fun as they took part in a variety of games, shared laughs over a movie, and enjoyed snacks with their friends. The highlight of the morning was a special treat—a delicious McDonald's breakfast to start the day! It was a fantastic way to mark the end of their primary school journey.



## Care for Creation Litter Pick

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, the care for creation team and some of our year 6's, went on a litter pick at Bentley Park. They collected lots of rubbish, helping to care for our community and environment.



### St Matthew's Class Assembly

We would like to thank all the parents who attended St Matthew's class assembly on Thursday 10th July. The children did exceptionally well—they spoke with confidence and sang beautifully. A special thank you goes to Mrs Kelly for preparing and leading the assembly.



### St Luke's Class Assembly

Thank you to everyone who came along to support the children at St Luke's class assembly on Wednesday 16th July. The children delivered every line with clarity and confidence. It was a joy to see them perform so well and share their learning with such enthusiasm. A heartfelt thank you to Miss Briscoe for creating such a wonderful and engaging assembly.



## PTA School Disco

We would like to thank our wonderful PTA for organising such a fantastic school disco! A big thank you also goes to the staff who supported the PTA on the night—your help was invaluable. The children had an amazing time playing games, dancing with their friends, and enjoying their sweet treats. It was a joyful evening filled with laughter and fun, and we are so grateful to everyone who made it possible.



## Dojo Dash treat

As a special Dojo Dash treat on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, all the children were surprised with a visit from the ice cream van during their morning break. All the children were given a treat which they enjoyed outside in the sunshine with their friends.



## Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Thank you for everybody who attended our Leavers Assembly and helped us to celebrate our Year 6 students as we showed how they have grown and changed over the years. It was a very emotional afternoon but all the students were amazing and the performance they did for the school was outstanding. You should all be very proud of yourselves; we wish you all the best for the future in your new schools.

A huge thank you to Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Gac for an outstanding Leavers Assembly, your hard work, creativity, and heartfelt touches made it a truly memorable celebration for everyone!



## Buddies' Picnic

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July, our Foundation children and their Year 6 buddies came together to enjoy a special picnic together. It was a lovely celebration and gave the children the opportunity to say goodbye to their buddies.



## 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 2

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



| After School Clubs               | Year Groups                          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday - Mixed Games             | Reception, Years 1 & 2               |
| Tuesday - Fielding and Batting   | Years 3,4,5 & 6                      |
| Wednesday - Racket and Net Games | 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



## PE days

From September 2025, we will be making some changes to our PE schedule. Each class will now have 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          | St Matthew's class | St John's Class                   |
| Tuesday         | Foundation Stage   | St Matthew's Class<br>St Mark's   |
| Wednesday       | St John's Class    | St Luke' Class (Swimming Lessons) |
| Friday          | St Mark's Class    | Foundation Stage                  |

St Luke's Class will be having their swimming lesson as both of their weekly PE lessons until Christmas.

## PE Kit Required

Black/navy PE shorts or tracksuit bottoms

Plain white T-shirt/polo shirt

Plain black/navy sweatshirt/tracksuit jacket

Trainers/ pumps



## Earrings and Jewellery

Only small stud earrings and a watch should be worn in school.

Earrings **MUST BE REMOVED** for PE and any after school sports clubs. If your child is considering having their ears pierced, please have them done at the start of the summer holiday



## Dates for the Diary

| Event                                                              | Date                              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025                                  | School Closes for Summer Break    |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025                              | Inset Day                         |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025                             | Frist Day back - Autumn Term 1    |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2025                          | St Luke's Swimming Lesson start   |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2025 | Year 4 Residential to Austerfield |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2025                               | Flu Vaccinations                  |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2025                             | Individual School Photo's         |

Our Virtue to Live by:

**Wisdom**

**I take time to think about what I must do and ask God and others about it.**

**I help others to make the right choices.**

*"Be wise in the way you act; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:5-6*

## **OLPH 2025/26 Academic Year - School Holidays**

| School opens                          | School closes at the end of the school day |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025 | Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025       |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025  | Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025      |
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026   | Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026      |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026 | Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026         |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026    | Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026           |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026      | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2026          |

Bank holidays: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Training days: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026