



Our Lady Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

May/June 2026

SPORTS DAY 2026:

Our annual Sports Day was a fantastic celebration of fun, teamwork and school spirit! Pupils took part in a range of classic events, from the ever-popular egg and spoon race to the energetic tug of war, showing determination and lots of smiles along the way. There was plenty of excitement on the field, especially during the penalty shoot-out, where some impressive skills were on display. It wasn't just the children getting involved, our parents' race brought lots of laughter and friendly competition, while the teachers' race was a real highlight, cheered on by the whole school community. A big thank you to everyone who took part and supported the day - it was a wonderful event filled with energy, encouragement and great memories for all!



A NOTE FROM FR NORBERT:

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well. From time to time, children at our School who are not from a Catholic background have expressed a sincere desire to join the Catholic Church. Their experience of the Catholic Church at Our Lady School with prayer, liturgies, Mass and visits to the church, together with its strong ethos has kindled this wish.

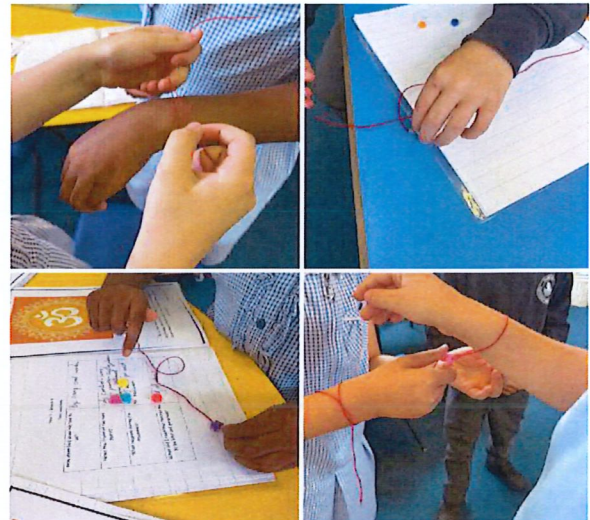
Every family is unique. So, I have asked them in the past to meet with me to discuss the possibilities and the journey to be undertaken. I invite you to contact me in the next weeks if you and your family are interested in finding out more. There is no pressure and faith is always a free choice but a conversation usually helps! My email is: norbertfernandes@rcdow.org.uk or phone number **01707 323234**

May God bless you, your loved ones and Our Lady School community.
Fr. Norbert

HINDUISM WEEK:

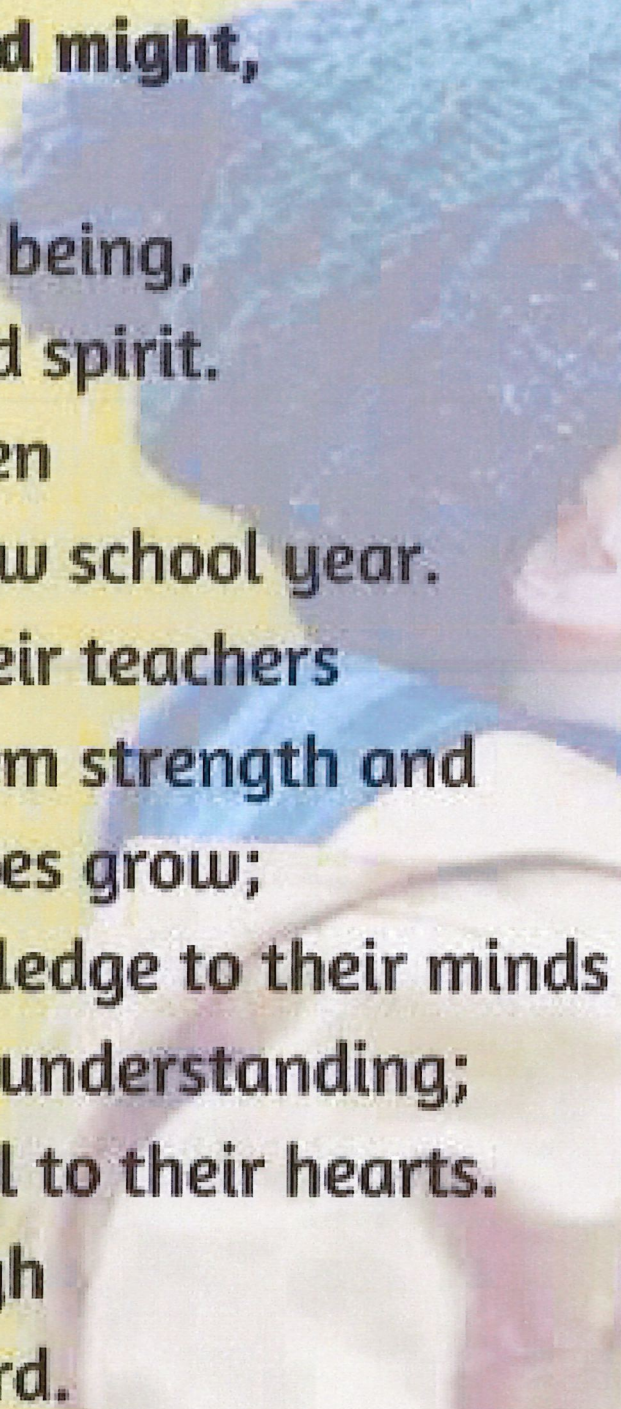
During Hinduism Week, children enjoyed exploring different traditions and stories from the Hindu faith. They learned about Raksha Bandhan (Rakhi), discovering how brothers and sisters celebrate their special bond by tying colourful threads and showing care for one another. The children also explored the festival of Diwali, learning about the Festival of Light and how it is celebrated with lamps, decorations and joyful gatherings.

One of the highlights was hearing the story of Krishna as a child, including the famous tale of him "stealing the butter," which brought lots of smiles and curiosity. Through stories, discussions and activities, the week was a wonderful opportunity for pupils to learn about culture, celebration and the importance of family and kindness.



DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- 15th June: Year 4 and 5 Mass at Church (Parents invited)
- 16th and 18th June: Parent-Teacher Consultations
- 24th June: Stay and Play for New Reception parents
- 30th June: Year 3 Holy Communion Mass (Parents invited)
- 7th July: Year 6 Performance at 1.45pm (Parents invited)
- 8th July: Year 6 Performance at 6pm (Parents invited)
- 9th July: Transition Day for all
- 13th July: EYFS Graduation
- 15th July: Piano concert at 9am (Parents invited)
- 15th July: Year 6 Leavers Mass at 1.45pm (Parents invited)
- 17th July: End of Term at 1pm.



**God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for
the wonder of our being,
for mind, body and spirit.
Be with our children
as they begin a new school year.
Bless them and their teachers
and staff. Give them strength and
grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds
as they search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this through
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.