

## Mrs Sergeant's Desk

This is a really busy and hardworking term in school and we ask all parents to support us by establishing positive bedtime routines so that the children get to bed on time without the distractions of TVs or online games. Your child will work best when well rested.

**Parents Singapore Maths Week** This term we are inviting parents to come into school with their children to see our new Singapore Maths sessions. Each family will receive an invitation from their child and you will be able to book into 1 session (1 hour) throughout the week. I think you will be amazed to see how the children are enjoying Maths and are growing in confidence with this new approach. **The suggested week for this is 12<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> Feb**

**Free School meals and packed lunches** This term I will be working with children and families to try to reduce the amount of packed lunches coming into school and to increase the amount of families who are accessing a free school dinner. Our school dinners are excellent value and quality and we want to work with parents to make sure they meet the tastes and needs of all of the children. **More information will follow**

**Attendance and punctuality** In order to support working families and to improve attendance we now have a locked fridge in school. This means that with permission we can supervise the children taking antibiotics, Calpol and other medications. More information is at [www.oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/sickness-medication](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/sickness-medication)

## Staff Updates

**Mrs. Stalker's twins** arrived safely if somewhat early on Christmas Eve and I am glad to report that mum and babies Ava and Jasmine are doing well.

**Miss Hughes and Miss Whittaker** have also safely delivered their baby boys. Babies Harri and Freddie are doing really well and have already visited school with their mum's to see the children.

**We would like to welcome** Miss Offill who is teaching in foundation stage and Miss Cargill, who is working in the 2 year old room with Mrs Harris and Miss Spellman. We would like to welcome them all to the school family.

**Term Dates for this year** are available on the School Website [www.oliprimary.co.uk](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk).

### FEBRUARY HALF TERM

*Monday 18<sup>TH</sup> Feb to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb*

### Easter Holidays

*Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April*

**Everton Kids Holiday Club will be available throughout the February half term. Please contact Laura on 07799 062730 for more details and for advance booking.**

**Have you downloaded the school APP?**

**Search Our Lady immaculate in the APP store**



## Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School Nursery CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SPRING 2019

If you have any questions about your child's curriculum this term, please make an appointment with their class teacher.

Class teachers are available at the end of each day by prior arrangement.

Our curriculum maps are available on our school website which can be found at:  
[www.oliprimary.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps)



## How can I help my child this term?

### Here are a couple of ideas...

- Count daily with your child for example going up and down the stairs, counting how many cars or princesses they are playing with and counting claps up to 5 then 10 and beyond.
- Point out numbers in the environment such as numbers on front doors, buses, clocks, microwaves etc.
- Read to your child every night and give time to talk about the events and characters in stories. Did you know we have a library service in our Nursery with books available for children to take home each night? Just ask a member of staff.
- Listen to Jolly Songs on You Tube and help your child to find objects that begin with each letter sound. This will greatly support your child when beginning to read and write.

## Reading At Home

Reading with your child every night is the most valuable thing you can do as a parent in order to support your child's language development as well as supporting their future reading and writing development. Quality story books by authors including Julia Donaldson, Nick Sharratt and Jill Murphy are available for children to take home each night from our Nursery library.



## Topics this half term

Our Topics this half term have been 'The Three Little Pigs' and You Choose by Nick Sharratt. We have learnt the story of 'The Three Little Pigs' and can retell it confidently, using the repeated phrases from the story. Ask your child to retell the story using actions and look at our work displayed in the creative area to see what we've been doing! We have also been exploring new vocabulary and gaining confidence when sharing our thoughts and ideas based on the story You Choose with our talking partners. We have painted and collaged different places we would like to visit and built our chosen homes.

## Come and See

Our forthcoming RE topics for Spring are Gathering, Growing and Good News. More information regarding these topics will be included in the Spring RE newsletter.



Outdoor Learning on our Trim Trail.

## Upcoming Topics

Following half term we will be focusing our learning on the story Just Imagine by Nick Sharratt. To support and encourage a love for reading both in school and at home we will be purchasing a book for each child across Nursery. During this topic children will be developing their imagination and creativity through the art, design, role-play, music and movement using both our indoor and outdoor environment.

## Early Mathematics

We will be continuing to develop one to one counting correspondence through actions, songs, rhymes and games which link to our topic. Children will be recognising and identifying numerals through active learning experiences including number hunts outdoors as well as searching for numbers around school. We will also be exploring 2D shapes using our story Just Imagine to talk about and recognise shapes.

