

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 12th -15th 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

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.

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Monday 18TH Feb to Friday 22nd Feb

Easter Holidays

Monday 15th April to Monday 22nd 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.

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Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School Reception 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



Enjoying Supertato

How can I help my child this term?
Here are a couple of ideas...

- Practice reading and writing common exception words. Your child’s class teacher will give you a list of words to practice.
- When reading with your child, talk about the pictures and ask them questions about the story to develop their understanding and comprehension.
- Support your child counting up to 10 objects and beyond.
- As we move in to spring, talk with your child about changes they notice in the environment.
- A kind reminder that we ask children not to bring in toys from home. It can cause upset if they are lost or damaged.



After reading Supertato we made our own vegetable superheroes

Our book focus next term is ‘Zog’ by Julia Donaldson

We will begin our learning based on the book ‘Zog’ after half term. We will develop topic work based on ‘Fairytales’ and ‘People Who Help Us’ leading on from this story. Your child will bring home a dragon template to write their learning ideas on. Please pass this back to the class teacher and they will use your child’s ideas to inform their planning. In Reception our planning is led by the children’s interests so we cannot wait to hear their ideas! We plan many of our learning opportunities through creating a purposeful and enabling environment for the children to play in and investigate. We always ask the children for their ideas and plan our environment based on the children’s interests.

You can watch the [animated version of ‘Zog’ on YouTube.](#)

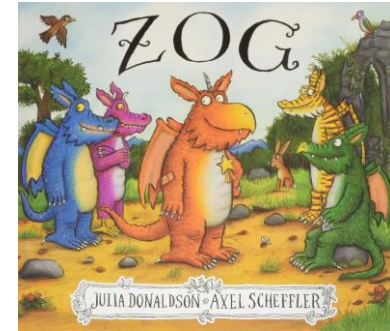
*“Play is the highest form of research.”-
Albert Einstein*

Come and See

As the children’s understanding of the Parish Family deepens, we are moving on to learning about the **Eucharist**, in which we will learn about people **gathering** together to celebrate at Mass.

Expressive Arts and Design

We have some really creative children in Reception and they have been using open ended materials in junk modelling and in our Creative Area to make representations of people and objects. A big focus for this term is to aid the children’s **communication and Language** development through their creative play by using descriptive language and talking about their creative process.



Numeracy

In Reception class, children use their mathematical knowledge in all areas of their play and we focus on developing their mathematical language through high quality communication with them during continuous provision.

This term our focus is developing children’s knowledge of working with numbers and using early addition and subtraction skills, such as putting two sets of objects together and counting the total and counting on and back.



Investigating ways of making 10

