

Term Dates

PLEASE make sure that you keep a record of the term dates for this year and remember that holidays will not be authorised outside of these dates:

	Start Date	End Date
Term One	Monday 7 th September 2015	23 rd October 2015
Term Two	Tuesday 3 rd November 2015	Friday 18 th December 2015
Term Three	Tuesday 5 th January 2016	Friday 12 th February 2016
Term Four	Monday 22 nd February 2016	Thursday 24 th March 2016
Term Five	Monday 11 th March 2016	Friday 27 th May 2016
Term Six	Monday 6 th June 2016	Thursday 21 st July 2016



Newsletter September 2015



Welcome back to you all! We are excited about the new year ahead at Our Lady's. A very warm welcome to all of our new parents and children – I hope that you enjoy being a part of our community. We also have quite a few new members of staff this year and I hope you will make them feel very welcome!

Uniform

Thank you for all the effort that you have gone to, to ensure that your children look very smart as they attend school! It gives a wonderful impression of the school!

Keeping In Touch

Please make sure that you check our website for the latest information about our school: www.ourladys.co.uk – please note however, that a new website is under construction and that the old one may not have the most up to date information at the moment!

Twitter: @OLWSchool

Facebook: Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Primary School

We are in the process of updating our parentmail facility and will be giving you information on that as soon as we have it.



Staffing

Welcome to...

Miss Coughlan— Our new Year 2 class teacher

Miss Marsh—Our new Year 6 class teacher

Miss Lawrie— Our new Year 3 class teacher

Mr Hodgkins— Our new teaching assistant working with Miss Lawrie

Mrs Glenn— Our new 1-1 teaching assistant

Miss Jessiman— Our new 1-1 teaching assistant

Miss Kavanagh— Our new teaching assistant working with Miss Marsh

We hope they have an enjoyable, fun and welcomed first year with us!



Universal Infant Free School Meals

If your child is in Reception, Year One or Year Two they are now entitled to have a hot meal every day. Please make sure you register for this scheme to gain the rewards. If you would like more information please contact the office or Kingswood Caterers.

Healthy Lunches

For the children who are still choosing to have a packed lunch, please make sure that they are sent into school with food that is a healthy choice for them. We have had children who have just had biscuits in their lunchboxes and this does not give them the nutrients or energy that they need.

Kingswood Caterers

If you would like to get in contact with Kingswood Caterers regarding meals for your child please call on 01536201203. Please remember meals may be booked online until Wednesday at midnight for the following week at www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk or by envelope on a Monday morning for the following week.

Nut Free School

Please note, due to persons attending our school with very severe nut allergies, we have become a nut free school. Please do not bring items into school that contain nuts as it may put peoples lives in danger!



Important Dates

Monday 21st September: from 3pm – 4pm there will be an open evening for parents to come into school to chat to their child's new teacher and view the work they have completed so far. This is an opportunity. This is an informal evening, the more formal parents evenings will be in November.

Thursday 24th September: Our Lady of Walsingham Feast Day

Monday 28th September: 3pm meeting for all Year 2 parents regarding SATs tests in May

Tuesday 29th September: 3pm meeting for all Year 6 parents regarding SATs tests in May

Author Visit—On Monday 14th September Robin Price will be visiting our school and holding workshops with our year 4 classes. If any children from other years in the school are interested in buying a book they will be £5.

Clubs

Letters will be coming out about the various after school clubs which will be going on this term – please make sure that you return your letter promptly to avoid disappointment.

Breakfast Club—Please note children can come along to breakfast club however, parents will need to be with children until 8.40, thank you.

E-Safety

At the beginning of each school term, all of the children are taught about how to keep themselves safe on line. You will have seen items on the news recently about cases where children have made uninformed choices about what they share on line that can have long lasting consequences. I urge you to talk to your child about this and also, to regularly check their online activity – on computers, tablets and phones.

Attendance and Punctuality

Just a reminder that school starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.00pm. Don't forget we are no longer allowed to authorise any school holidays so any requests will be returned to you as unauthorised.

