

OLA NEWS



8th May 2020

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Governors,

Values and Virtues

This half term, the focus for Values and Virtues is **Eloquent and Truthful**. This means that we should strive to be more **eloquent** by expressing ourselves clearly – whether through language, art, music, drama, sport - and **truthful** in what we say about ourselves, other people and the world we live in. Learning and being open to understanding new things, is an important way to find **truth**.



"The way of peace is the way of truth. Truthfulness is even more important than peacefulness." Gandhi (1869-1948) God wants us to be **truthful** in all we do. Jesus said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life', so being honest and truthful means we are following in his footsteps and living life the way God wants us to. Being truthful is being faithful to ourselves and to Jesus, so try really hard to do that over the next few weeks.

NHS Thank You

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, the children have been working together to say thank you to all the NHS staff who have continued working to keep us and our loved ones safe and well, often putting themselves at risk. Thank you, Mrs Muntoni, for organising the children and putting their work together.



Mass

Even though you can't attend mass in the usual way, services are being streamed on the parish YouTube channel: <u>Our Lady of The Assumption and St John Vianney livestream</u> **Nursery Places**

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We still have places available in our Nursery for September 2020. If you would like to apply for a place, please contact the school for an application form.

VE Day

Today, the country is commemorating the 75th anniversary of VE Day (Victory in Europe Day): the day in 1945 when Germany surrendered its armed forces.

The library service has produced information about a number of digital resources to support reading with a particular focus on VE Day. This information is on the school website and can also be accessed here https://ourlady.coventry.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/Primary-Digital-update-06-05.pdf

PTA news

School Lottery



Next draw date: 09 May 2020 £25,000.00 JACKPOT and £6.60 Guaranteed Prize to 1 OLA supporter

Congratulations to our latest School Lottery guaranteed prize winner who won £7.80!

WIN 1 of 3 £100 B&Q Gift Cards!

Play this term and you could win 1 of 3 £100 B&Q Gift Cards

*Offer ends 6th June 2020 and is open to all new and existing players

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/ourlady-of-the-assumption-primary-school-coventry

Our ticket sales have gone down further and now stand at just 24 per week!

Can you help spread the word? Once ticket sales increase the guaranteed jackpot will also increase PLUS with the school closing and the cancellation of all our forthcoming

fundraising events this is our only way of raising much needed funds for the PTA and ultimately for the pupils of OLA! During this challenging time we hope that you can continue to help us raise funds.

PTA Facebook Group

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You will have received a link to join the Facebook group – this is a friendly group where you will find information on PTA events plus helpful tips on entertaining our children whilst at home. Here is the link again

https://www.facebook.com/groups/OurLadyOfTheAssumptionPTA/

The Book of Hopes



The Book of Hopes is a completely free collection of short stories, poems and pictures which has been published by Bloomsbury and is dedicated to the doctors, nurses, carers, porters, cleaners and everyone currently working in hospitals.

Over 100 children's writers have contributed including Lauren Child, Anthony Horowitz, Greg James and Chris Smith, Michael Morpurgo and Jacqueline Wilson. It is a really lovely thing to share – please take a look at https://literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/book-hopes/

Virtual Reading Club

The School Library Service is inviting all Coventry children to join their Virtual Reading Club. Children will have the opportunity to submit book reviews and take part in mini challenges with the chance to win prizes. Follow this link to find out more www.coventry.gov.uk/slsreadingclub



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Coventry's help and support during COVID-19

We know that during the COVID-19 emergency, a lot of people are feeling frightened and isolated.

- O you need help to get food, medicines and other essential items?
- Are you worried about how you will pay your bills?
- Are you struggling or alone?
- Worried about a child or adult who lives with you or in your community?

If you need help in finding the right support in Coventry due to COVID-19 (Coronavirus), you can:



Phone - our freephone hotline number 08085 834 333, available Monday to Friday 9am till 5pm

Outside of these hours you can leave a message. We can give you advice and support on a range of issues and direct you to other organisations that can help. With our partners we are helping with Universal Credit and Council Tax support, food and supplies, a safe place to stay, befriending in the community.



If you have the internet, visit our website at www.coventry.gov.uk/coronaviruscommunity

Use our online map to find advice and information, community support groups, food delivery options or emergency food



Use our online chat at www.coventry.gov.uk/coronaviruscommunity

You can chat to our Customer Services

Out of Hours

If it's after 5pm and you're worried about a child or adult who may not be safe you can call our Emergency Duty Team on 024 7683 2222

Other telephone numbers you might find helpful:

Domestic abuse and sexual violence

CRASAC T: 024 7627 7777 www.crasac.org.uk

Safe to Talk helpline T: 0800 111 4998 www.safetotalk.org.uk

Mental Health – Adults

Mental Health Matters T: 0900 616 171 www.mhm.org.uk/ coventry-warwickshire-helpline

Safe Haven T: 07921 876 065

Samaritans T: 116 123 free from any phone T: 0330 094 5717 local call charges apply www.samaritans.org

Mental Health – Children and Young People

Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership Trust - Rise Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Service

T: Between 8am and 8pm please call 024 7664 1799

T: Between hours 8pm and 8am please call Coventry Crisis Team on: 024 7693 8000

Positive Choices T: 07741 900 799

