

DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY
OUR LADY OF PITY ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



MAIN SCHOOL SITE

RIGBY DRIVE
GREASBY
WIRRAL
CH49 1RE
TEL: 0151 677 6262
PRE-SCHOOL: 0151 677 6813
FAX: 0151 677 5609
EMAIL: schooloffice@ourladyofpity.co.uk

ANNEXE SITE

BIRKENHEAD ROAD
HOYLAKES
WIRRAL
CH47 5AF
TEL: 0151 632 1908
PRE-SCHOOL: 0151 632 6336

PRINCIPAL: MR MARK COTTON
HEAD OF SCHOOL: MRS BERNADETTE GALLOWAY

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a rich time of year at school! Walking through the school paints such a vibrant picture: our youngest children are exploring the fantasy world of dragons and witches, through the fabulous 'Room on the Broom' picture book. Their theatre trip was a source of great delight. Our year 1 children are becoming mini David Attenboroughs - their presentation of wild animal facts is a treat - see our Facebook feed for footage.

Year 2 have reflected beautifully on times when they have been trusted to do important jobs; some Year 2 children read to all the other children at our collective worship assembly yesterday. Year 3 children have been puzzling out the drinking habits of trees, unveiling the mysteries of capillary action.

Year 4 have had a ball at Conway - as the Facebook feed attests. So powerful to see children literally taking the plunge and moving beyond nervousness to newfound confidence and self belief. Our thanks to all the staff who gave so much to make this trip a huge success.

Year 5 have been inspired by the classic poem Beowulf and have written some richly descriptive pieces in response to the themes and events they have explored. Year 6 presented the Angelus prayer to the whole school most beautifully at our last collective worship assembly. They continue to work together to achieve great things.

SATs week

As you will know, we are entering a period of formal testing. The children have been very well prepared and will take this in their stride, as they do every year. We will make sure that all children get plenty of time outdoors to counterbalance the quieter times indoors.

11 Plus - Note to Year 5 Parents

Please remember to log on and register your child for the 11 plus. This is all done via the Local Authority transfer systems and **the deadline is May 31st**. If your child is not registered, they cannot take the test.

Next Week - Sundaes on Thursday!

Next Thursday - 16th May - brings an ice cream parlour into the dinner hall. The children will be able to choose a flavour and add a topping to make a designer Sundae. Sure to be a big hit!

Read read read read READ!

Our children are loving 'The Puffin Book of Utterly Brilliant Poetry', edited by Brian Patten. It is beautifully illustrated and has a wonderful range of playful pieces to delight children of all ages. We have purchased a group set of these

books thanks to your tremendous response to the last Scholastic Book Fair. They would make a great addition to any home library - a guaranteed family favourite.

Science Talkabout

This is a great time of year to create the story of Jack and the Beanstalk in your home! Children love to plant a bean and watch it grow. You might enjoy making a model of the beanstalk, with a miniature Jack. Can you find a way of creating a zip wire to bring him down from the top of the giant beanstalk swiftly? What happens when you change the angle? How about having a bean growing race? Every member of the family gets a bean and the fastest growing bean plant wins! Lots of screen-free fun for the family...

JOY through Respect

Where does our school mission take us this week?

We are reflecting on the way that Jesus puts His trust in Peter, despite his faults and denials of their friendship. Jesus takes the flawed and makes it worthy, by His love.

The children have presented their thoughts in different ways, thinking about how they look after each other - the older children seeing the younger ones as sheep and lambs to be cared for and nurtured. They are thinking about ways of building trust after things have gone wrong - never an easy thing to do.

And so we pray...

Lord,

You are the shepherd,

we are your sheep.

Gather us,

guide us,

give us your strength,

for we are nothing

without you.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Warm wishes,

OLOP Team