St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 1.3 – Monday 17th September 2018



Cake Sale for Disaster Relief

As you know, the region of Kerala in India has suffered catastrophic flooding over the summer. A large number of our parents are from or have family connections with Kerala. This is a most distressing time for all those affected, and to make matters worse, Cyclone Mangkhut has recently caused terrible destruction in the Philippines; another community strongly represented here at St Osmund's.

Please remember these communities in your prayers and that they may find strength and comfort at this time.

The children have asked to run a cake sale to raise funds for the disaster recovery effort and this week it will be the turn of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to provide the cakes if you are able. It would be wonderful if you could contribute. Please bring your donations of cake in on Friday 21st. Cakes will be sold at playtime and after school if there are any left. Please ensure that your child (all year groups) brings in up to 50p to buy some cakes (priced 20p-30p). Please remember that we are a **nut free** school! The money raised will be donated to both the Kerala and Filipino disaster recovery effort through CAFOD.

Phonics Meeting for Reception and Year 1

Just a reminder about the Phonics meeting for ALL Reception and Year 1 parents which is taking place on Wednesday this week at 6pm. We are holding it later in the hope that more parents will be able to attend. If you cannot, please consider sending a grandparent or other representative. The meeting will explain the link between phonics, reading and writing and how you can support your child's achievement at home.

Cashless Office

Please sign up to School Gateway to make payments online – our aim is to be a cashless school! Currently less than 60% of the school have signed up – let's try and increase that percentage!

Head Lice

Head-lice are an on-going problem in all schools – at any one time there will be a case of head lice so it is important that you keep on top of the situation and check your child's hair regularly, treating immediately if you notice any 'visitors'.

The 'Once a Week, Take a Peek' campaign shows parents about the need to check their children's hair regularly for lice as a normal part of their family's personal hygiene routine and then to take swift action should any be found.

- Why not take a look at the website for 'Once a Week, Take a Peek'? Visit
 - http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.co.uk/
- NHS Choices has some useful background and advice:

http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Headlice/Pages/Introduction.aspx

Harvest Collections

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Our Harvest Mass is coming up on Friday 5th October at 2pm. On this day, the Mass will replace our normal Celebration Assembly. We would like, once again, to create our class harvest offerings and would be very appreciative if you could spare any non-perishable food items. If everyone brought in at least one item, then we would have a fabulous offering to give to the Salisbury Food Bank.

Timber Trail

Children are permitted to use the Timber Trail after school **only** and then, only under parent supervision. Thank you for your support with this.

Golden Book Awards





Year 1: Albie and Maja

Year 2: Lillie-Ann and Riley

Year 3: Jasmine and Louis

Year 4: Jean and Joshua

Year 5: Evie and Jude

Year 6: Reuben and Lauren

Dates for your diary...

- 18/09/18 ~ Year 5 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 19/09/18 ~ Year 3 Stone Age Trip ~ Salisbury Museum
- 19/09/18 ~ Reception and Year 1 Phonics Meeting for all parents ~ School Hall ~ 6pm
- 25/09/18 ~ Year 4 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 26/09/18 ~ Years 5 and 6 Girls' Football ~ St Edmund's ~ 9:00am
- 02/10/18 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am POSTPONED, see below
- 03/10/18 ~ Years 5 and 6 Mixed Football ~ St Edmund's ~ 9:00am
- 05/10/19 ~ Harvest Mass School Hall ~ 2pm
- 08/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening
- 09/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening
- 09/10/18 ~ Year 2 and 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 16/10/18 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 24/10/18 ~ Whole School Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 9:45am
- 24/10/18 ~ Break-up for Half Term ~ 3:15pm

With all best wishes,

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Mr R Sanderson Headteacher

New Choir group – a Parish group, held in our school hall.

If your child enjoys singing, it is not too late to enrol them for our 'Voice for Life' programme that takes place every Tuesday.

This group is for children in Year 3 & above and will take place in our school hall from 5pm to 5.45pm every Tuesday during term time. (Please note, on Tuesday 9th October, the group will take place in the parish rooms, due to parents' evening).

The emphasis will be on fun and inclusivity whilst offering high quality vocal and choral training. This opportunity is being made available **free** to children of St Osmund's School by our Salisbury Catholic Parishes (including all the music and training materials).

The training is being provided by Rosemary Field of the RSCM who is a highly experienced organist and choral trainer.

If you have any questions, please contact Caroline Williams outreach@salisburycatholics.org 01722 502503.

If you have not yet registered, please arrive at 4.45pm on Tuesday to allow time to complete a registration form so that we can begin singing on time at 5pm.



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