

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 1.5 – Monday 1st October 2018



Harvest

This week marks the school's Harvest celebrations. It is a time to say thank you for all God's gifts to us and as a Catholic School, it is an important part of our mission to share what we have, helping those who face difficulties in their lives.



Our school mission statement is '**Love for God, Love for Each Other, and Love for Learning**'. It is so important that our school mission reaches out to touch the local community and to that end, we are hoping that you will be able to support the Food Bank by sending in any spare non-perishable food (tins, packets, boxes) this week and by Wednesday at the latest. Each class will present a box in our Harvest Mass on Friday – these will then be sent to the local Food Bank. You are all most welcome to join us for Harvest Mass with all our children.

Census Day

On Thursday this week, we are organising a special menu. On the menu will be choices of Fish Fingers & Chips or French bread Pizza, followed by Chocolate Cupcakes! Jacket Potatoes are also available. School funding for meals is based on the uptake of school meals on Census Day so it is important to us that we have as many children as possible this day. Please see below for an update on changes to our future menu.

Dinner Menu Update

Following on from the notice last week when I explained that I was negotiating some changes to the school dinner menu, I am pleased to announce that the new menu is now available and will be on our school website later on this week under 'Information and Events > School Dinner Menu'. I would be interested to hear your feedback on the new menu so do come and see me if you would like to comment.

Parents' Evening

Please remember to sign up for your Parents' Evening slot to talk to your child's class teacher. This is a vitally important meeting and all parents should attend. Parents' evening for Year 4 with Mrs Hadfield will be on Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th October.

St Joseph's Open Day

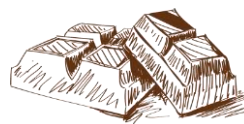
St Joseph's Catholic School, our partner Secondary school, is holding a further Open Day on Thurs 11th Oct 9:30am-12:15pm.

Don't forget the deadline for admission applications to Secondary School is on 31st October 2018. See the link below to make an online application:

<https://admissions.wiltshire.gov.uk/prefs.php>

Chocolate Bingo

I am pleased to announce on behalf of the PSA that our first event of the year will be 'Chocolate Bingo' next door at Elizabeth Hall on Friday 19th October at 6pm. It promises to be great fun for the whole family. There will be a licenced bar for the grown-ups, hot food and tuck shop for the children.



Free-entry on the night... just pay for your bingo tickets.

Therefore, on Friday 12th October, we will be holding a non-uniform day for all children and all we ask is that the children bring in a donation of chocolate – a bar, an egg, whatever as long as it is chocolate!

Golden Book Awards

Our weekly winners are...

Last week, there were no Golden Book Award winners.



Dates for your diary...

- 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 ~ Years 5 and 6 Cake Sale
- **05/10/19 ~ Harvest Mass – School Hall ~ 2pm**
- 08/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening ~ **Except Year 4**
- 09/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening ~ **Except Year 4**
- 09/10/18 ~ Year 2 and 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 10/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening ~ **Year 4 only**
- 11/10/18 ~ Parents' Evening ~ **Year 4 only**
- 12/10/18 ~ International Mass ~ St Joseph's Catholic School ~ 7pm
- 16/10/18 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am – **POSTPONED**, see below
- 17/10/18 ~ Open Days (10:30am/1:30pm) for prospective Reception Parents intake Sept 2019
- 24/10/18 ~ Whole School Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 9:45am
- 24/10/18 ~ Break-up for Half Term ~ 3:15pm
- 06/11/18 ~ School re-opens for Term
- 07/11/18 ~ Class Open Door ~ 3:15-3:45pm
- 13/11/18 ~ Year 6 and 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

Class Open Door sessions

I am pleased to inform you about a new initiative aimed at further improving the way we share information about how your child is doing at school. Once every three weeks, we will hold a 'Class Open Door' session straight after school at 3:15pm on a Wednesday. This will be an opportunity for you to come in to your child's class, on an informal drop-in basis, to have a look at their work and talk to the staff if you wish. Each session will have a different focus; the first will be Maths and will take place straight after half-term on Wednesday 7th November. They will run every three weeks thereafter.



We're going cashless!



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