

# St. Osmund's Newsletter

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## Road Safety

There are many aspects to ensuring the education and care a school provides is of a high standard; the most important aspect to get right is the safeguarding of our children. One key aspect of that duty involves doing our level best to ensure that the surrounding roads are safe for our children to walk along and cross. Ultimately, road users and those who enforce traffic laws are responsible for safety, but I must ask that you consistently keep to 20mph or less and do not park on any double yellow lines. **The vast majority of parents do take great care** but it only takes one car to be parked where it shouldn't be to obstruct a child's view and place them in danger.

I would like to work with any keen volunteer parents who would be interested in taking a more proactive role in ensuring our roads are safer. To that end, I am arranging a Parent Forum Meeting for the first Thursday after Half Term (8<sup>th</sup> November) at 3:15pm to discuss the issue. If there is anyone that cannot make it, but would like to contribute, please email the school office.

## Staffing Notice

I am sad to announce that two members of staff are leaving us this week; Mrs Pyke - a 1:1 Support Assistant in Year 2 – is leaving for pastures new and Mrs Dunbar – who has been a MDSA for many years – is retiring. They have both been very kind and caring members of staff and will be missed by all. I am pleased to announce that we have appointed a new member of support staff to work in Year 2 1:1. I will introduce her to you after the half term holidays. I am also pleased to announce that we have appointed a new teacher with responsibility for Year 4. Mrs Asumadu-Aboagye – or Mrs A as she likes to be called – starts after half term and will gradually assume full time responsibility for Year 4 during November. Please join me in wishing Mrs Pyke and Mrs Dunbar all the best for the future and a warm welcome to our new staff.

## Wristbands

Please ensure that your child wears their wristband for school. It is a visual reminder of our school Mission Statement and values. Last week we issued many more STARS for reaching '20' on the class star chart! Well done children!

## MDSA required

If you are looking for some part time work, we have a vacancy for a MDSA (Midday Supervisory Assistant) to work lunchtimes from 12:15pm to 1:15pm each day. We are looking for enthusiastic people with good communication skills.

If you are interested, please see Mrs Bairstow in the school office by Wednesday.

## Poppies for Remembrance Day

Just to give you advance notice, we will be selling poppies in aid of the Royal British Legion in school after half term.

## Inspection Report

Following on from our Ofsted inspection on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, the report will be published on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October on the Ofsted website. I will put a link on our school website for visitors to access. The report format will be different to the last time we were inspected. Under this inspection framework, schools which were previously inspected as 'good' receive a 1-day visit, as we did, to establish if the school remains 'good' and to identify its relative strengths and areas for development. We found the inspection a positive and affirming process and I look forward to sharing the report with you in due course.

## Golden Book Awards

Our weekly winners are...

Rec: Ella and Mateus  
Yr 1: Dania and Maja  
Yr 2: Alexandru and Jack  
Yr 3: Raphael and Scarlett  
Yr 4: Juliana and Saul  
Yr 5: Ariana and Caleb  
Yr 6: Gabrielle and Wiktorina



## Dates for your diary...



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- 23/10/18 ~ Year 5 Healthy Eating Cookery Experience ~ St. Joseph's
- 24/10/18 ~ Whole School Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 9:45am
- 24/10/18 ~ Break-up for Half Term ~ 3:15pm
- 24/10/18 ~ Spooky Family Disco ~ School Hall ~ 6:30pm-8:30pm
- 05/11/18 ~ Teacher Training Day
- 06/11/18 ~ School re-opens for Term 2
- 07/11/18 ~ Class Open Door ~ 3:15-3:45pm
- 08/11/18 ~ Parent Forum ~ Staffroom ~ 3:15pm
- **09/11/18 ~ Individual Photos ~ Reception to Year 6**
- 13/11/18 ~ Years 6 and 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 03/12/18 ~ Flu Vaccinations Reception to Year 5
- **18/12/18 ~ KS2 Carol Service ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 6pm**
- **19/12/18 ~ Reception and Year 1/2 Nativity Plays ~ times to follow**
- **20/12/18 ~ Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day!**
- **21/12/18 ~ School breaks up at the end of Term 2 ~ 1:30pm**

With all best wishes,

Mr R Sanderson  
Headteacher

### *Chocolate Bingo*

*I am disappointed that we couldn't have our Chocolate Bingo on Friday but I hope that those of you who went to the Carnival had a super time! Chocolate Bingo will be rearranged sometime after half term and a text will go out with the date.*

On Friday we had a number of children who received their first stars – too many to fit on the newsletter!

A Star Wall will be created in school to celebrate each child who has achieved this feat.

**St Osmund's Catholic Primary School**

*Love for God ~ Love for Each Other ~ Love for Learning*