

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 3.2 – Monday 14th January 2019

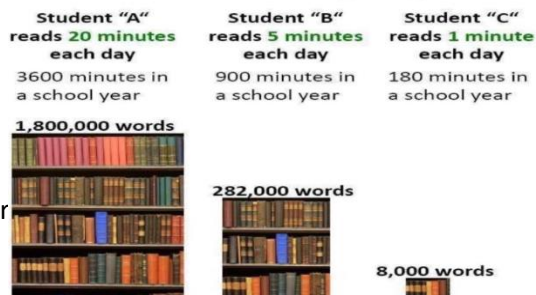


Supporting Learning at Home

Homework is a fundamental part of school life and I am sure we can all recall varying experiences of it – both positive and negative! Play, socialising and after-school activities are all so important and key to a child's development of a wide range of skills and interests. Homework, however, is key to supporting the learning in school.

Homework at St Osmund's is progressive – building in challenge and quantity from Reception to Year 6; we feel that the amount that is set in Year 6 prepares the children well for the expectations in Year 7 at Secondary School. Our philosophy is that homework should be a short, sharp consolidation and practice of concepts that have been taught already; therefore your child should be able to complete homework independently. Please do talk to your child's Class Teacher at our next **Class Open Door** evening **this Wednesday**, straight after school. Please note, Year 1 Class Open Door is Thursday 17th.

Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?



Safeguarding – School Drop Off

We have noticed that some children are arriving in school quite early and at a time when the playground is not staffed. This is a concern as there is no one to supervise children who arrive at this time. Staff arrive on duty at 8:45am so any children arriving before this time must be accompanied by a parent – for their own safety. Please note that school starts at 8:55am

*Be on time
In the line
School starts
at five to nine!*

We know that children who are late for school have a disrupted start to the day and quite often will miss key learning which begins from the first minute of school! Lateness happens from time to time which I understand, but regular lateness adds up over time to considerable lost learning.

Trussel Trust Tuesday

A message from our Chaplaincy Team – we still collect tins, packets of dried food, non-perishables, for the Trussel Trust. At this time of year there are even more requests for support from food banks. If you can spare any items then both the Chaplaincy Team, and the needy in our local area, would be very appreciative.

Lunchtime Staff Required

We would be very happy to receive expressions of interest from anyone looking for 5hrs work per week as a Midday Supervisory Assistant. Additionally, if anyone would like to be a member of 'Bank Staff' – i.e. not regular but able to be called upon 'as and when', please see the school office.

Lunches

Don't forget the special offer we are currently running in the kitchen – pay for Monday to Thursday and get Friday free!

Parents' Evening

Save the date! This is coming up on Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th February. As always, a couple of weeks before the Parents' Evening, the sign-up sheets will be in the school hall for you to book your slot. We will text you when the sign-up sheets are available.

Well Done School Council!

Well done to the School Council who managed to raise £62 through their 'Dress Your Teddy' competition before Christmas.

Ages for Social Media



Dates for your diary...



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- 15/01/19 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 16/01/19 ~ Class Open Door ~ 3:15pm in classrooms (Year 1 on Thursday 17th)
- 22/01/19 ~ Reception Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 23/01/19 ~ Years 3 and 4 Gymnastics Festival
- 28/01/19 ~ Life Education Bus (3 days)
- 29/01/19 ~ Year 5 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 30/01/19 ~ Years 5 and 6 Netball Festival
- 15/02/19 ~ Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 9:45am
- 15/02/19 ~ Break-up end of Term 3
- 25/02/19 ~ School re-opens for Term 4
- 26/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening 1 of 2
- 27/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening 2 of 2
- 02/04/19 ~ Primary Live – Years 3 and 4 ~ City Hall ~ 12:45pm
- 05/04/19 ~ Break-up end of Term 4 (for Easter Holidays)
- 23/04/19 ~ School re-opens for Term 5

With all best wishes,

Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

You may be aware of a pupil in Year 4 who has been poorly of late. I am pleased to report that Tabel is now home from hospital and doing much better.

Please pray for his continued recovery; we hope that he will be able to return to school in the Summer Term.

St Osmund's Catholic Primary School

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