

# St. Osmund's Newsletter



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## Generosity

This week we give thanks for all that we have and say thank you to God for providing so well for us. We all experience hardship and together, we support one another through this. Last week was our Harvest Mass in Church when the children presented gifts of food for the poor and needy of our City. The children presented their offerings during Mass and they were arranged in front of the altar. The display was a wonderful celebration of all the **generosity** shown by the children, parents and families. Thank you so much!

Our theme to follow this week is 'Giving Thanks and Generosity'. We are looking for the children to support one another and to ask for the Holy Spirit to guide them as they look to help those in need. In school this could mean children helping each other when they fall down; playing with others if they are lonely; helping a new member of staff to get around the building. At home the children could do an extra chore to help Mum or Dad; give some pocket money to a charity; visit a poorly relative.

**Please do tell us** if your child has demonstrated **generosity** – we would love to share this in Assembly.

## School Dinners

We offer Free School Dinners to ALL children in Reception Year 1 and Year 2. There is a great range of hot food available. Currently, we have approximately 85% of R, Y1 and Y2 children taking up the option of a free meal – please do see the school office if you would like to sign up. All junior children (Year 3+) can have a dinner for only £2.30 per day. You may also be entitled to a free school dinner in the juniors, see the school office for the qualifying criteria.

## School Dinners Reminders

If you do not qualify for free dinners, lunches **MUST** be paid for on the day, or in advance. We only send home 2 reminder letters before lunch orders are stopped.

Please do talk to us if you have any problems at all with the school dinners – we're here to help.

## International Mass

Please join St Joseph's Catholic High School for their International Mass on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Everyone is more than welcome to attend this celebration that is followed by a fantastic selection of International cuisine in the school canteen. The Mass starts at 7pm.

## Deadline for Primary Schools

Applications for a place at Primary School should be made by 12 noon on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Please also fill in our supplementary form – see the school office for these and/or the school website.

## Allergies, Asthma, Medical Conditions

Please do tell us if your child has any allergies or other medical conditions. Also, if your child suffers with Asthma, please remember to ensure that the correct inhalers are in school every day (inhalers and spacers). Thank you for your continued support.

## Golden Book Awards

**Our weekly winners are...**

Rec : Louisa and Fernando

Year 1: Isaac and Maisie

Year 2: Ronnie-May and Saul

Year 3: Jack and Caleb

Year 4: Bobby and Theo

Year 5: Harry and Nina

Year 6: Isabel and Gemima



## Dates for your diary...

- 13/10/16 ~ PSA Monthly Meeting ~ 2pm-3:15pm ~ ALL welcome!
- 21/10/16 ~ Non Uniform Day ~ bring an item of chocolate in exchange for non-uniform
- 21/10/16 ~ Break up for Half Term at 3:15pm
- 31/10/16 ~ School re-opens for the second Autumn Term
- 31/10/16 ~ Y1, 2 and 3 Vaccinations in school
- 03/11/16 ~ AGM for the PSA ~ 7:30pm in the School Staffroom
- 04/11/16 ~ Chocolate Bingo in the School Hall ~ 6pm - 8:30pm
- 08/11/16 ~ Netball League, first match
- 18/11/16 ~ Wear something Spotty for Children in Need ~ a non-uniform day
- 18/11/16 ~ Year 6 Children in Need concert at Salisbury Cathedral ~ evening ~ time TBC
- 28/11/16 ~ Year 5 , Barnardo's concert at the Royal Albert Hall ~ parents please book tickets online at RAH ~ 'Barnardo's Young Supporters Concert'
- 02/12/16 ~ Non-Uniform Day for the Christmas Fair
- 02/12/16 ~ Christmas Fair ~ 3:15pm
- 08/12/16 ~ Reception Nativity ~ 1:45pm in the School Hall
- 08/12/16 ~ Year 1 and 2 Nativity ~ 2:30pm AND 6pm in the School Hall

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson  
Headteacher

**P.S**

*A very large majority of children are regularly on time to school, and we all have the occasional 'difficult morning' when we seem to be on the last minute! However, I just wanted to keep you informed about our procedure in regards to punctuality.*

*Children must be in school in time for registration which is at 8:55am. If not they are marked as late. Arrivals after 9:30am are marked as **unauthorised** until the registers are taken again at 1:15pm. If your child is poorly or has a medical appointment, please ring us as soon as possible in the morning.*

**Did you know:**

- 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost a year
- 10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost
- 15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost
- 20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost
- 30 minutes adds up to 19 days lost

*Thank you so much for your support with this. I know that parking can be tricky too in the morning. Please talk to us if you having any difficulties*

**St Osmund's Catholic Primary School**

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