# St. Osmund's Newsletter

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# Eyes down!

This Friday is a non-uniform day for Chocolate Bingo. Your child can come to school in their own clothes; all that we ask is that they bring an item of chocolate – such as a chocolate bar, chocolate egg, any chocolate item.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding our first ever Chocolate Bingo event, at which you can win one of our chocolate hampers for a winning 'line' or 'full house'! The event promises to be great fun and is suitable for the whole family. There will be a tuck shop, food and a licensed bar (adults only!) in addition to some other fun games. The event in the school hall will be free to enter with bingo cards available to buy on the night. Please do join us and let's see how much we can raise towards computer provision at the school.

Our theme to follow this week is 'you first' (putting others first before ourselves). We are looking for the children to show a selfless attitude and to put others before themselves. Please do let us know if your child demonstrates this quality at home so we can celebrate it in school.

### **Introducing Mrs Hadfield**

I would like to introduce Mrs Hadfield, our new Year 2 teacher to you. Mrs Hadfield has settled in really well to our school, please join us in extending her a warm welcome to St Osmund's.

### **Parent Workshops**

We are always looking for ways to help you to help your child. As part of this drive, we are setting up some parent workshops this term with another series after Christmas. On 14 November, there will be a Storytelling workshop. On 5 December at 9:15am, there will be a further workshop for parents who have English as a second language. The workshop is free to parents who have lived in the UK for 3+ years and have English as a second language. A letter will be sent home after half term with details about these fabulous parent sessions.

#### **Masses**

All Saints Mass – 01/11/ @ 1:45pm, in school Year 6 Class Mass – 08/11 @ 9:45am, in church Year 5 Class Mass – 15/11 @ 9:45am, in church Year 4 Class Mass – 22/11 @ 9:45am, in church Advent Mass – 29/11 @ 9:45am, in church St Osmund's Feast Day 02/12 @ 10am, in church Year 3 Class Mass 06/12 @9:45am, in church

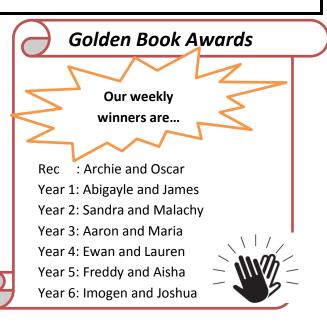
#### **Deadline for Primary Schools**

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.

The deadline for Secondary School applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016.

#### **Term Dates**

We have set our INSET (In Service Training Days) and therefore children will return to school after Christmas on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Our last day of the Summer Term will be Weds 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017.



# Dates for your diary...

- 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 ~ Individual Photos
- 04/11/16 ~ Chocolate Bingo in the School Hall ~ 6pm 8:30pm
- 08/11/16 ~ Football 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
- 24/11/16 ~ Open Afternoon ~ 3:15pm onwards ~ ALL welcome
- 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
- 12/12/16 ~ KS2 Carol Service ~ St Osmund's Church
- 13/12/16 ~ Christmas Lunch! Non-Uniform Day ~ Wear Your Christmas Jumper!
- 13/12/16 ~ Reception and KS1 Disco @ 3:30pm ---- KS2 Disco @ 5:30pm
- 16/12/16 ~ 1:30pm ~ Break up for Christmas
- 04/01/17 ~ Return to School ~ Spring Term

With all best wishes.

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Mr R Sanderson Headteacher



The government gives money to schools to help children from lower income families. This is called the 'Pupil Premium' but used to be called 'Free School Meals'. Now that the infants receive a free school mean as a matter of course, there has been a noticeable drop in the number of parents registering for Pupil Premium.

The Pupil Premium is a vital source of funding for schools (up to £1300 per eligible pupil) and enables us to provide a range of additional curriculum and educational opportunities for children from lower-income families. It is well worth applying, you have nothing to lose! We would appreciate it if everyone would take a look.

Scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet to take you directly to the online application form and fill it in today!

## St Osmund's Catholic Primary School

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