

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Season's Greetings

Welcome to the final newsletter of the Autumn Term. It has been a busy term, full of lots of exciting learning and progress, as well as exciting school events and productions.

Last week Reception children performed a 'Wriggly Nativity' and they sang their hearts out. Year 1 and 2 also performed their Nativity for the parents and I was so impressed by their speaking and super singing. Both of the Nativity plays retold the Christmas Story wonderfully. What better way to prepare for Christmas than by hearing the greatest story ever told, by our wonderful children? Thank you to all the staff for all their hard work preparing for these performances.

This week, we have more carol singing from Reception at Robert Stokes, and Year 1 & 2 at Trinity Hospital. Tonight, we have Key Stage 2 leading the Carol Service at St Osmund's Church – 6:30pm.

Childcare assessment – Parent Survey

Local authorities have a duty, under the Childcare Act 2006 to secure sufficient childcare to enable parents to work or take part in training leading to work. To enable the LA to do that they need to assess the childcare needs of parents as well as their views on the availability and quality of childcare in their local area. The focus of the assessment is 0-14 year olds and up to age 19 for children with difficulties and disabilities.

The online survey can be accessed via the QR code below or at

<https://surveys.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=147808999956>

Do you have a child aged 0-14? (0-19 with a disability?)

Please let Wiltshire Council know your views on the need for childcare in Wiltshire by completing this anonymous online survey.



Dinner Menu Change

On Wednesday 14th December, there is a change to the dinner menu:

M = Ham and Cheese Pizza

V = Cheese and Tomato Pizza OR Jacket Potato

On the 4th January 2017 there is also a change (this day only):

M = Cottage Pie and Gravy

V = Glamorgan Sausage and Gravy

Jacket Potatoes will not be available

Reception, Year 1 and 2 Carol Singing

This week, at 10am on Thursday, Year 1 and 2 are singing at Trinity Hospital. At 10:30am on the same day, Reception will be singing at Robert Stokes House. I am sure the children will brighten the lives of those who are unwell or in care this Christmas.

Golden Book Awards

No Golden Book winners this week due to no Celebration Assembly. Celebration Assembly will make a return on **Friday at 9:05am**

Scan this and join us on Twitter by searching @St_OsmundsCP you will need your own Twitter account first.



Prepare for Jesus

This week we light the Third advent candle on our Advent Wreath – the candle of Joy.



On this third week of Advent, we thank you for all the good things that you have given us. Help us to follow the example of Jesus, to care for others and to bring good news and joy to those less fortunate than ourselves

Dates for your diary...

- 12/12/16 ~ Year 5 Carol Singing at the White Hart Hotel ~ 12:00pm
- **12/12/16 ~ KS2 Carol Service ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 6:30pm**
- 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
- 15/12/16 ~ Y1/Y2 Class Singing @ Trinity Hospital ~ 10:00am
- 15/12/16 ~ Year R Singing at Robert Stokes House ~ 10:30am
- 16/12/16 ~ 1:30pm ~ Break up for Christmas

- 04/01/17 ~ Return to School for the Spring Term ~ all year groups
- 09/01/17 ~ ESOL Weekly Sessions begin, every Monday @ 9:15am

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

PSA Calendar 2017

Please don't forget that the PSA has produced a school calendar for 2017. They feature children in each month who have a birthday in the same month.

Only £5 and would make a super Christmas Present!

Thank you all

I would like to thank you all for the warm welcome I have received here at St Osmund's this term. I have thoroughly enjoyed the past 3 months as I have got to know our wonderful children and our dedicated team of staff and governors. They are passionate about St Osmund's and providing the best education possible for the children in our care. It truly is a school to be proud of and I am confident that together, we can continue to improve. It has been a pleasure getting to know you all too, and on a personal level, your support is really helping myself and my family settle in.

I look forward to seeing you continuing to support in school next term – either volunteering (which you are most welcome) or at one of our super PSA events – £1500 raised this term so far!! A-MA-ZING! ☺

St Osmund's Catholic Primary School

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