# St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 4.4 - Monday 13th March 2017



### **Easter Fayre**

We have a non-uniform day coming up on Friday as we begin our preparations for the annual Easter Fair

Our Easter Fair this year is on 31<sup>st</sup> March. This is an annual fundraiser organised once again by the PSA and we seek your support with this. We are looking for donations of toys, books, teddies etc. which would make suitable items for sale at the fair. We will also be having a range of games and stalls, as well as refreshments, and if anyone is able to help us out and run a stall or game, then we would be very appreciative!



On Friday we will be having a non-uniform day with a request for an Easter Egg as a donation. There is no theme, just own clothes!

#### **Comic Relief**

We are supporting Comic Relief this year, on 24<sup>th</sup> March. We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> and we ask that for a 50p donation, children can wear something red. I appreciate there are non-uniform days two Fridays running, but we hope that by holding them on a Friday, they are not causing an inconvenience.

To support and raise money for those less fortunate than ourselves fits very much within our mission as a Catholic school.

He who is kind to the poor, lends to the LORD, and he will reward him for what he has done

Proverbs 19:17

#### **Catholic Outreach Worker**

Congratulations to Caroline Williams on her appointment as the Salisbury Catholics outreach worker. Her mission is to further enhance the work of the parishes in the whole community of Salisbury. We have already made a great start, Caroline comes into school every week to help deliver Prayer and Praise; the children's singing, as well as our repertoire of hymns has really improved as a result.

In addition, the Community Mass at the end of February was a huge success and we are looking forward to the next one already on 7<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **Trussell Trust Tuesday**

On Friday, our School Council explained to the children how this initiative will work. We are accepting donations of tins/packet foods all year round. There is no obligation, if you have anything spare on a Tuesday and can donate, please do send it in with your child.

# New Priest for Salisbury Catholic Churches!

Bishop Declan has appointed Fr Saji Mathew to the Salisbury Catholic churches. Fr Saji has worked in the Diocese for a number of years and is known to some parishioners. I know you will make him very welcome. I would ask you to join me in praying that Fr Saji will find happiness and fulfilment in his ministry here with us - Fr Michael.



## Dates for your diary...

- 14/03/17 ~ Football League ~ Away at Sarum St Paul's ~ 1pm
- 15/03/17 ~ Netball League Match ~ 1:15pm ~ Away at St Mark's
- 17/03/17 ~ Non-Uniform Day for the Easter Fair
- 20/03/17 ~ Y3/4 Orienteering Festival ~ St Edmund's ~ 3pm
- 24/03/17 ~ Non-Uniform Day for Comic Relief ~ Wear something red
- 28/03/17 ~ Parents' Forum 1st Meeting ~ 3:15pm
- 31/03/17 ~ Easter Fair ~ PSA ~ School Hall
- 05/04/17 ~ Easter Egg Hunt
- 07/03/17 ~ Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 10am
- 07/04/17 ~ Break-Up for the Easter Holidays ~ 3:15pm

With all best wishes,

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Mr R Sanderson Headteacher Thank you for all your support with reading at home. Children having the opportunity to read widely, and often, is key to success - particularly language development, spelling and picking up on author techniques to use in their own writing.

When reading at home, remember not to just focus on the reading of words, asking children questions about their understanding of the text is also important.



Pope Francis reminded the faithful that they should heed the Scriptures and treat each human person they encounter as a gift.

"Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbour," he said. "May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God's word, be purified of the sin that blinds us, and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need."



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