

# St. Osmund's Newsletter



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**Week 4.7 - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017**

## Stations of the Cross

*Stations of the Cross – in the School Hall – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April, all day*

Jesus carried his cross to Calvary Hill, where he was crucified. To help us remember this journey, we pray the Stations of the Cross. The stations mark the events that took place along Jesus' journey and by stopping at each station, we reflect on what Jesus experienced.

This Thursday, we are setting up our own 'Stations of the Cross', or 'The Way of the Cross', in the school hall. Each class will take part in guided reflection and prayer with their teachers at some point during the day, however, ALL are welcome – parishioners, parents. We extend an invitation to you as member of the St Osmund's Community to pray the Stations of the Cross with us on Thursday.

*You can arrive at school at any time between 9am and 11:00am, (gap for lunch) then 1:15pm and 4pm, for your own reflection on Jesus' journey to Calvary.*

## New Menu

Mrs Coneley, our Catering Manager, prepares fabulous meals for our children and she would like to draw your attention to our new school menu.

It is on the school website and you will see that there are a variety of options providing nutritional balance.

## Dinner Money

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who pay their dinner money on time. It is much better all-round if you pay for dinners in advance, preferably at the start of the week – or even term! When dinners are paid for on a day by day basis, or even in arrears, this adds quite a lot of additional work for the kitchen and office staff in administration and letters home for reminders. We thank you for your support and cooperation in this matter.

## Scarlet Fever and Slapped Cheek

I hope you received my letter about Scarlet Fever on Friday. We have had a case in school and my letter contained advice on the symptoms, as well as what to do if you are concerned that your child is suffering from it.

If you think a child has scarlet fever:

- they need to see their GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- Make sure that the child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor
- Stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for **at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment**, to avoid spreading the infection

We have also had a number of cases of **Slapped Cheek** - This condition is not usually serious but can be dangerous for pregnant women and those with weakened immunity. Once the rash has come out then your child is no longer contagious, so they can come to school as usual. There is no need for antibiotic treatment for this condition.

## Fit and Fed

Come along to a new **free** Fit and Fed programme at The Friary.

- Tuesday 18 April 2017 ~ 10.30am-1.30pm
- The Friary Community Hall
- Open to anyone aged 5 years and above
- Parents welcome

*Get involved in preparing and cooking a healthy hot meal, advice available on healthy eating, take part in fun games and multi-sports activities.*

*For more information and to register your interest, please contact: Karlene Jammeh, Sports Development Officer, Wiltshire Council on 01722 434437 or email [sportsdevelopment@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:sportsdevelopment@wiltshire.gov.uk) [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/streetgames](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/streetgames)*

## Thanks

Thank you so much to the PSA for organising the Easter Fayre on Friday. There was a great deal of chocolate and cake sold, and a lot of money raised! I will update you on the total amount soon.

Thank you to the parents who came to the Parents' Forum on Tuesday. We had an enjoyable and informative discussion about homework and reports to parents. We've taken your comments and suggestions on board and we'll feed back to you next term.

## Dates for your diary...

- 04/04/17 ~ Year 5 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 04/04/17 ~ Year 3/4 Primary Live ~ City Hall ~ 1:15pm
- **06/04/17 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ 9am-11:15am and 1:30pm-4pm ~ ALL welcome**
- 07/03/17 ~ Easter Egg Hunt
- 07/03/17 ~ Community Mass ~ School Hall ~ 10am
- 07/04/17 ~ Break-Up for the Easter Holidays ~ 3:15pm
- 24/04/17 ~ School re-opens for the Summer Term ~ 8:55am
- 08/05/17 ~ SATs week for Year 6

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson  
Headteacher

*As we have in past years, we are collecting these vouchers which enable us to purchase new sports equipment. If any of you shop at Sainsbury's, then please do ask about the vouchers and hand them in to the school office. The vouchers are available until 2<sup>nd</sup> May - the more we receive, the more equipment we can get! Thank you for your support!*

*Don't forget that when we return to school on 24<sup>th</sup> April, it is the Summer Term. This means we need to be thinking about sun cream in the mornings, making sure children have water bottles, and of course - summer uniform, including hats/summer dresses, shorts.*



*Loving God,  
Your eternal watchfulness keeps us safe from harm.  
We are filled with a great happiness  
when we feel your endless love for us.  
Thank you for your care for us, your children.  
We ask you to continue to protect us from harm.*

Amen



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