

# St. Osmund's Newsletter



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**Week 5.2 - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017**

## Reception Farm Visit

*Reception Class visited Coombe Bissett Farm last week*

Reception Class had tremendous fun last week when they visited Coombe Bissett Farm. They saw some new born lambs, and even got to hold one! They also saw some cows and learnt so much about how the Ewes look after their lambs; how the farmer gets up at 5:30am to go and check on her flock; the process of shearing and making wool into woolly jumpers and socks! Many thanks to Miss O'Gorman, Mrs Scott, Mrs Pyke, Miss Mitchell and Mrs Jonzak for organising and accompanying the children on the visit.

The visit was on a Farm owned by Wiltshire Wildlife Trust to educate young people about the workings of a farm as well as a longer term project to restore the fields to meadow – their natural state – lost to years of large-scale farming. The school are excited to be taking part in this project.

### Collection at the end of the day

Just to keep you informed and updated - it is our school policy only to allow Year 6 children to walk home on their own after school, and only then when both parents and the school feel the child is responsible enough and the journey is safe enough to make on their own. Following an after-school club, we don't expect children to walk home on their own unless, again only Year 6 – a parent has informed us that their child may.

### Reminder - Sun Cream and Water Bottles

Water bottles should be in school every day. Also, please ensure that your child has sun cream applied in the mornings. If they can apply it themselves, they can bring it in to school as well.

### Volunteering in school

We always enjoy welcoming parents in to school to volunteer. If you would like to discuss how you can help in school please see Mrs Dicker in the school office, or myself when I am outside, to discuss how you can help. Here at St Osmund's, we take safeguarding seriously and as a result, all volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS check prior to commencement of any work in school.

### Know any good recipes?

We still have some spaces in the School Council's 'St Osmund's Cook Book'. They would like to know your favourite family recipes – just send them in with your child but please hurry, entries can only be given in this week!

### School Text Messaging

Please notify us as soon as possible if you change your contact details. For the school text messaging service, we need your most up to date mobile phone number as well – we are sending more reminders and key messages via the SMS service and you don't want to miss out!

### Parents' Forum

Our next Parents' Forum Meeting will be on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, straight after school. Thank you to those who came last time – all are welcome! Last time we discussed the school homework policy and Academic Reports to parents.

### Golden Book Awards

**Our weekly winners are...**

Rec : Archie and Louisa  
Year 1: Ann Mary and Zachary  
Year 2: Eesa and Nicole  
Year 3: Evie W and Vince  
Year 4: Ericka and Peter  
Year 5: Helen and William  
Year 6: Dottie and Gabriela

## Dates for your diary...

- 02/05/17 ~ Year 4 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 08-11/05/17 ~ SATs Week for Year 6
- 09/05/17 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 16/05/17 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 23/05/17 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 23/05/17 ~ Parents' Forum ~ Staffroom ~ 3:15pm – 4:30pm
- 26/05/17 ~ Community Mass ~ School Hall
- 26/05/17 ~ Break up for Half Term ~ 3:15pm
- 05/06/17 ~ School re-opens for Term 6 ~ 8:55am
- 07/06/17 ~ Year 3 and 4 Tennis Festival ~ time TBC
- 07/06/17 ~ Sports' Day for KS1 ~ 9.30 am ~ School Grounds
- 08/06/17 ~ Sports' Day for KS2 ~ 9.30 am ~ Cathedral Close
- 09/06/17 ~ Pentecost Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 14/06/17 ~ Year 6 Primary Leavers' Mass ~ Clifton Cathedral ~ 8am
- 15/06/17 ~ Corpus Christi Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 20/06/17 ~ Primary Schools' Swimming Gala ~ Five Rivers ~ after school
- 12-15/07/17 ~ Year 6 Residential ~ Simonsbath
- 18/07/17 ~ Prize Giving Celebration ~ School Hall ~ 9:45am
- 19/07/17 ~ School breaks up for the Summer Holidays ~ 1:30pm

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson  
Headteacher

*Easter Mass last week was a wonderful occasion. The children read beautifully, and sang and prayed reverently. Thanks to Miss Egan, Caroline Williams and all the staff for preparing the children so well.*

*Thank you all for your support through our Lenten and Easter preparations - events such as Lenten Promises, Stations of the Cross, Easter Fayre, Easter Mass and the Easter Egg Hunt. I have been blown away by your support and generosity - children, parents and staff.*



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