# St. Osmund's Newsletter

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# **Happy Christmas**

This will be the final newsletter of this term so may I take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff and governors, to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

The term has flown by! It has been filled with academic, sporting and artistic success such as the confirmation of another set of tremendous results for the children, qualifications for the Tri-Golf finals, success in a range of sports, musical recitals and performances, as well as some fabulous galleries of work shared with the community. Our children really are a credit to the school and most importantly, to you.

Coming up this week are our Nativity Plays – Reception is on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:45pm; Year 1/2 Nativity is at 2:30pm, and 6pm. The Key Stage 2 Carol Service is at 6:30pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, at St Osmund's Church. The children have been working very hard to prepare for this wonderful reflection on the Christmas Story. It is important to return your slips to indicate how many people you are bringing to the service as it gets very busy!

#### **PSA - Christmas Fair and Festivities!**

The Christmas Fair is this Friday straight after school at 3:15pm. Please do come and join us! We are expecting Santa to pay us a visit, and there will be the usual stalls, fun and games. We are still happy to take donations for sale at the Fair – see over leaf for details.

### Prepare for Jesus

This week we light the second advent candle on our Advent Wreaths – the candle of joy.

O king of all nations, Jesus Christ, bring joy to every heart. Come and save your people, Amen.

#### Parents' Forum

There will be meeting of the Parents' Forum in the new year — Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January, at 6pm. The meeting will last for an hour and we will be discussing new policies and parent/school engagement. If you are hoping to come, please let the school office know.

#### **Trussell Trust Tuesday**

A message from our Chaplaincy Team — we still collect tins, packets of dried food, non-perishables, for the Trussell Trust. At this time of year there are even more requests for support from food banks. If you can spare any items then both the Chaplaincy Team, and the needy in our local area, would be very appreciative.

#### Gardening

Mrs Quin, our gardener, is sadly moving on to 'pastures new' after doing such a wonderful job maintaining our grounds in recent years. I must say, when joining the school, I was struck by how well-kept and vibrant the garden areas are; it really makes a difference. Ideally, I would like someone who knows and loves St Osmund's to follow on from Mrs Quin. If you, or anyone you know is interested in ½ day every 2 weeks, please see me or Mrs Dicker

#### St Osmund and Advent Mass

This was a lovely occasion enjoyed by all our children and parishioners. The children welcomed the Advent season with joy and anticipation for the coming of Jesus. Canon Michael blessed our Advent wreaths at this Mass. The children also reflected on the life and mission of Bishop Osmund, our patron saint. May we continue to guide our children to be the best they can be.

St Osmund, pray for us.

## **Golden Book Awards**

Rec : David & Lucas

Year 1: Benjamin & Isabelle

Year 2: Maisie & Oscar

Year 3: Alyssa

Year 4: Aaron & Anita

Year 5: Michael & Miriam

Year 6: Anna & Toby

Our weekly winners

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# Dates for your diary...

- 12/12/17 ~ Year 4 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 14/12/16 ~ Year 6 School Trip
- 14/12/17 ~ Reception Nativity ~ School Hall ~ 1:45pm
- 14/12/17 ~ Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity ~ 2:30pm and 6pm
- 15/12/17 ~ Reception singing at Robert Stokes
- 15/12/17 ~ PSA Christmas Fair ~ 3:15pm ~ Santa has promised us he will be there!
- 18/12/17 ~ KS2 Carol Service ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 6:30pm
- 19/12/17 ~ Christmas Jumper Day! Also, Christmas Dinner day!
- 20/12/17 ~ Break up for Christmas Holidays ~ 1:30pm
- 04/01/18 ~ Return to school for Term 3
- 09/01/18 ~ Epiphany Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 16/01/18 ~ Parents' Forum ~ St Osmund's School ~ 6.00pm
- 17-19/01/18 ~ Life Education Bus
- 22/01/18 ~ Gymnastics Festival ~ Years 3 and 4

With all best wishes,

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Mr R Sanderson Headteacher

The closing date for applications for admission to Primary School Reception classes is coming up -  $January 15^{th} 2018$ .

You need to apply online as well as filling in the faith supplementary form from our school office - this must also be handed in by 15th January.



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