

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 3.1 – Monday 8th January 2018



Happy New Year!

Welcome back to school and the start of 2018 at St Osmund's! I hope you had a wonderfully restful time with your families and friends over Christmas, the children have certainly settled back in to life at school really well. This term is a little quieter than the end of last term but keep your eye on the diary on the next page through the term as events and updates are added.

This weekend saw us celebrate Epiphany – the coming of the three kings, led by the star, to pay homage to Jesus our Lord. The kings travelled from distant lands - far and wide - to join with other visitors, such as the shepherds, to celebrate Jesus' birth. This sets us an important example today and I feel is what St Osmund's does so well – the coming together of wonderful people in our Catholic community from many different cultures, to celebrate our faith in Jesus. Thank you all for making it such a wonderful place and may the star – the guiding light that is Jesus – continue to offer support and direction for you this coming year.

Pupil Premium

As you know, there is help available for schools, and parents, through the Pupil Premium Grant to enable schools to help all pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation.

This week, a letter is going home with all children which I would like you to give very close attention to.

We are encouraging all parents to consider their entitlement to this funding which can offer over £9000 of funding for schools to support your child, as well as subsidise equipment and curriculum opportunities.

PSA - Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair raised a fabulous £629 for school funds which will enable to support the purchase of iPads for each class. Thank you to all the PSA for your hard work preparing for this fun event.

Gardening

We are looking for a new gardener following on from Mrs Quin who has done such wonderful work looking after our gardens St Osmund's.

If you have gardening experience and would be interested in a discussion about some regular hours here at St Osmund's, please come and see me.

Welcome

I would like to introduce our newest member of the teaching staff – Miss Grace Hooper – who is in charge of learning in Reception Class. I am sure that you will offer a warm St Osmund's welcome; she has settled in really well and is delighted to be back at the school she attended as a child! Welcome Miss Hooper.

Would you like to train to be a Primary School Teacher?

Do you already have a degree? Do you know you can train locally with the Primary Catholic Partnership either for a PGCE or through School Direct?

Why not come along and find out more. **We will be holding a short open afternoon at St Osmund's Catholic Primary School, Exeter Street, Salisbury SP1 2SG, on Tuesday 30th January at 2.30 p.m.** As well as hearing about routes into teaching, there will be an opportunity to meet the PCP Director, current trainees, and teachers who have completed the course and are working in the Salisbury area. If you would like to attend, please contact the school office on 01722 322632 or admin@st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk

Golden Book Awards

The Golden Book awards return for the start of the New Year on Friday 12th January at 2:35pm.

Dates for your diary...

- 09/01/18 ~ Epiphany Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 16/01/18 ~ Parents' Forum ~ Staffroom ~ 6pm ~ Please confirm attendance with the office
- 17/01/18 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 17-19/01/18 ~ Life Education Bus
- 22/01/18 ~ Gymnastics Festival ~ Years 3 and 4
- 23/01/18 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 30/01/18 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 30/01/18 ~ PCP Open Afternoon
- 31/01/18 ~ Year 3 trip to the Tutankhamen Exhibition in Dorchester
- 09/02/18 ~ Community Mass ~ in school ~ 10am
- 09/01/18 ~ Break-up Term 3 ~ 3:15pm
- 19/02/18 ~ School re-opens for Term 4 ~ 8:55am

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

Our Reception Class have a fabulous new outdoor learning area complete with new canopy for outdoor activity in all weathers.



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St Osmund's Catholic Primary School

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