

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 3.3 – Monday 22nd January 2018



Reading – the key to success

Reading is so important to development and enables children and adults to access a world beyond their day-to-day experiences. At St Osmund's we take the development of early reading skills very seriously and look to nurture that skill into a love of literature as soon as possible.

We have a termly challenge in every class to see how many books each class can read and there is a special award given at the end of term. Any class can win because it is measured in the books they read at their level of development, not on age. Keep reading at home as directed by the class teacher (or more!) and you never know, your class might be the recipient of the reading challenge certificate. We are also in the process of redeveloping our lovely library to ensure that the books are up to date and in-line with the topics covered in school and the children's interests. Look out for a new initiative coming soon to hopefully repopulate our library shelves.

Reading is the magic key that takes you where you want to be... Alice Joyce Davidson

Safeguarding Update

Just a reminder about a request made in the newsletter last year – specifically about parents bringing the children in to the building when they are late. It is vitally important that if, for whatever reason, you are late, you bring your child to the office – the children can make their own way to class from there.

All visitors, for safeguarding and fire evacuation reasons, must sign in at the office and receive a visitor's badge.

Please remember that school starts at 8:55 and all children should be in the line at that time.

Parents' Evening

Save the date! This is coming up on 20th/21st March. As always, a couple of weeks before the Parents' Evening, the signing up sheets will be in the school for you to book your slot – appointments are on a first come, first served basis. One of the Year 6 dates will be rearranged but Mrs Sterck will write a letter to Year 6 parents about that.

Phonics Meeting Rec and Y1

Another save the date! Reception and Year 1 parents are invited to a phonics meeting on **Wednesday 31st January at 6pm** here in school. There will be a joint meeting raising awareness of what phonics is and how you can support your child's early reading skills at home. Following that, Reception parents will have a short 'meet Miss Hooper' session while Year 1 parents will hear about the Phonics Screening Check.

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

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Golden Book Awards

Our weekly winners are...

Rec : Albie and Dania
Year 1: Alexandru and Rhys
Year 2: Darcy and Jasmin
Year 3: Ronnie-May and Twaseen
Year 4: Melyssa-Jayne and Tomas
Year 5: Alesha and Samuel
Year 6: Harry and Nina



Dates for your diary...

- 23/01/18 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 26/01/18 ~ Life Education Bus returns for Reception Class
- 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 Tutankhamun Exhibition in Dorchester
- **31/01/18 ~ Reception and Y1 Parents ~ Phonics Session/Meet the Teacher ~ 6pm**
- 09/02/18 ~ Community Mass ~ in school ~ 10am
- 09/02/18 ~ Break-up Term 3 ~ 3:15pm
- 19/02/18 ~ School re-opens for Term 4 ~ 8:55am
- 20/02/18 ~ Ash Wednesday Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 21/02/18 ~ TAG Rugby Years 3 and 4
- 27/02/18 ~ Reception Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 01/03/18 ~ World Book Day – dress-up – details to follow
- 13/03/18 ~ Year 5 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 20 and 21/03/18 ~ Parents' Evening
- 26/-3/18 ~ Class Photographs
- 27/03/18 ~ SAYM Years 3 and 4 Primary Live ~ City Hall ~ 12:45pm
- 28/03/18 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ in school ~ all day

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

Life Education Bus

Unfortunately, due to a power cut, the Life Bus did not manage to see Miss Hooper's Reception Class. The bus will return on Friday next week to see them.



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St Osmund's Catholic Primary School

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