

# St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 3.4 – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018



## Phonics Meeting

This week we are holding a Phonics Session for all Reception and Year 1 parents. By the end of the session, our hope is that you will have a good 'grounding' in phonics – what it is and why the teaching of phonics is so important in developing early reading and writing skills. We will also help you understand how we assess children's phonic ability and how you can help at home.

The meeting starts at 6pm on Wednesday for all Reception and Year 1 parents in the school hall. After about ½ an hour, Reception parents will move to the EYFS room for a meeting with their children's new class teacher, Miss Hooper. Year 1 parents will stay in the hall to hear more about assessment and the Phonics Screening Check – a government test of phonic ability.

We hope that all Reception and Year 1 parents are able to come to the meeting (and all parents are welcome) as we explain how we develop our children into confident, independent readers.

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

## Cake Sale

On Thursday this week it is Year 3's turn to bring cakes for our cake sale. Please bring cakes on Thursday morning. All other children – 30p max. for spending at playtime! I'm looking forward to it...

## KS2 Kurling

Well done to our Kurling Team from Years 3 and 5 – they enjoyed the event immensely and showed superb sportsmanship and behaviour. Certificates to be given out in assembly on Friday

## Asthma

If your child has Asthma, a new form will be going home this week for you to complete. If your child has asthma and you don't receive a form, please see the school office ASAP.

## School Gate - Safeguarding

Thank you parents for cooperating with our policy of not following children into the building in the mornings, it means that all adults can be accounted for and keeps our site safe and secure.

Could we now ask that when you have cause to 'buzz' the gate to be let in, you observe these rules:

- **Never let anyone else in**, even if they are behind you; never allow anyone else to let you in either (other than the office!)
- **Always close the gate** behind you

This is again to ensure that we don't have anyone on-site during school hours who have not been checked/seen by the school office.

Many thanks for your cooperation.

## 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:admin@st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk)

## Golden Book Awards

Our weekly winners are...

Rec : Borys and Rosie  
Year 1: No winners this week  
Year 2: Iris and Isona  
Year 3: Nibin and Sandra  
Year 4: Mia and Olaf  
Year 5: Amelia and Reuben  
Year 6: Amanda and Sandra



## Dates for your diary...

- 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 – including dressing-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

*I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank our amazing group of volunteers who come in to school to give their time, hear readers and help out in the library & at school events. We always need extra help though, so if you feel that you could offer some regular time, please do see the school office.*



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