St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 4.1 – Monday 19th February 2018



Welcome Back

Welcome back one and all to the new term at St Osmund's – it is starting to feel like Spring with the snowdrops, crocuses and daffodils starting to push through; a sign of new life emerging after the winter. This is also the beginning of Lent, a time when we reflect on the sacrifice made by Jesus for us and the small sacrifices we can make to enrich the lives of others.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Finance Officer – Mrs Maria Bairstow. She will be working alongside Mrs Dicker, learning the St Osmund's way this term, until Mrs Dicker's retirement on 29th March 2018. Please join me in giving Mrs Bairstow a warm welcome when you meet her in the school office.

Finally, please check out the school website regularly as it is continually updated. It contains a wealth of information for parents and children. Recently uploaded on to our homepage are some SAT test information videos for parents.



🏶 St Patrick's Night Dance 🤻



Join the fun at St Elizabeth Hall on Saturday evening, 17 March 8pm to 11pm - entertainment from "DANCING LEDGE". Tickets are only £7 and you can bring your own refreshments. There will be a Charity Raffle in aid of parish funds. For a great night out and shenanigans galore, contact 07966925995 or the parish office for tickets.

Mass and Ash Wednesday

Thank you to all those who came to our celebratory Community Mass on Friday 9th February – it was a lovely occasion filled with prayer, celebration and wonderful singing.

Please do join us for our Ash Wednesday liturgy on Wednesday this week at 2:15pm in school. This year Ash Wednesday fell during half-term so we will be marking the beginning of Lent in school this week.

Kitchen Vacancy

Mrs Barker, our fabulous Food Service Assistant, is sadly moving on to pastures new and as a result there is a vacancy for someone to work in our kitchen.

25 hours per week, Monday-Friday, term time only, 7.50p/h

For further information or to apply please send your CV to nicky.Tierney@sodexo.com

Please see www.st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk and click on vacancies for further details about the post.

Staying Safe Online

It is part of our role to work with parents to educate our children in how to stay safe online, and know how to deal with issues if they encounter them. With the prevalence of personal devices, and the fact that it is the norm for children to have almost ready-access to devices, children can be exposed to material which is inappropriate or worse, violent, scary and upsetting.

Today, a YouTube Factsheet is going home with your child. However, for a quick read, the tips below may help you to set rules for your child about accessing videos on the internet and their online behaviour, and support them

- Try to have your child in the same room as you when they are using the internet, and discourage them from using headphones
- Chat to your child about what online videos might not be suitable for them to watch and share
- Regularly check the history of videos they have watched online for anything inappropriate, or create a playlist for them
- Encourage your child to tell you if they see something they find worrying or nasty
- If your child wants to share a video they have recorded, check they get permission from anyone who features in it before they upload it
- Tell your child not to give out any personal information or anything that can identify them, such as a school uniform or street name
- Regularly check comments made on your child's videos. Talk to your child about how they could receive nasty or negative comments from other people, and what they should do if this happens

If another YouTube user posts a video of your child or shares personal information without consent, you can ask for this content to be removed by using YouTube's privacy complaint process. For children to have their own YouTube account, they must be 13 years old.

Dates for your diary...

- 19/02/18 ~ School re-opens for Term 4 ~ 8:55am
- 21/02/18 ~ Ash Wednesday Mass ~ in school ~ 2:15pm note change
- 27/02/18 ~ Reception Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 28/02/18 ~ TAG Rugby Years 5 and 6
- 01/03/18 ~ World Book Day
- 05/03/18 ~ Year 1 Sports Event (Fundamentals) ~ St Edmund's
- 06/03/18 ~ Year 6 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 13/03/18 ~ Year 5 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 19/03/18 ~ Orienteering ~ Years 3 and 4 ~ 3:00pm
- 20/03/18 ~ Year 4 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 20 and 21/03/18 ~ Parents' Evening
- 26/03/18 ~ Class Photographs
- 27/03/18 ~ SAYM Years 3 and 4 Primary Live ~ City Hall ~ 12:45pm
- 27/03/18 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ in school ~ all day
- 28/03/18 ~ TAG Rugby Years 3 and 4
- 29/03/18 ~ Break-up Term 4 ~ 3:15pm
- 16/04/18 ~ School re-opens for Term 5 ~ 8:55am

With all best wishes,

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Mr R Sanderson Headteacher

Golden Book Awards

Our weekly winners are...

Rec: Erin and Senan

Year 1: Janey and Oscar

Year 2: Abigayle and Alex

Year 3: Lilianna and Saul

Year 4: No winners this week

Year 5: Lindo and Peter

Year 6: Helen and Anna

This Thursday it is Year 5's turn to provide the cakes for our weekly cake sale.

All children who would like to buy a cake on Thursday please bring 30p in to school.



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