

St. Osmund's Newsletter

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Week 6.5 – Monday 2nd July 2018



Sporting Success



What a wonderful Key Stage 2 Sports' Day on Friday in the Cathedral grounds! The weather was superb and thankfully there was a breeze to help keep temperatures down – it was certainly very different to the weather last year! We had events such as sprinting, three-legged race, vortex and ball throwing, obstacle course and the relay. I was so impressed by the children's superb attitude to competition and there were lots of smiles all round as they encouraged one another to do their best.

On Tuesday, the Key Stage 1 children competed brilliantly here at school, again bathed in sunshine. The children were so well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the competition. Thank you to the PSA for providing refreshments for the events, as well as members of staff who managed to get hold of plenty of water!

Particular thanks to the staff for preparing the children so well and to Mrs Hitchman who, as always, made sure the event ran like clockwork; all this on her first week back at school!

Help Needed

As you know, Chantel Rowe, our PSA chair, is stepping down from her role this summer after 4 years of sterling work raising much needed additional money for the benefit of our pupils. We are therefore seeking a new chair, but also others for the core committee. I know that the parents and children love the PSA events such as the fairs, chocolate bingo, quizzes, discos etc. and we always have a good band of parents supporting at these events ☺... But we do need a core committee to oversee and organise the events. Unfortunately, volunteers for the committee have not been forthcoming and I am worried that if we do not have the committee, the wonderful events and the **extremely** valuable and appreciated additional revenue they bring will be lost. In the last 2 years, for example, we have managed to buy 11 iPads, a new WiFi system and 4 interactive screens – totalling over £10,000! It is a significant help to our budget.

If you feel you have the ideas, energy or time, there is a role for you! Please do see me if you can help.

Ice Lollies

Continue to be available after school on Fridays this term – bring your money and enjoy!

International Day – Friday 6th July

It is taking shape nicely! We have a programme of events forming as well as lots of offers of food. The food is served from 12pm, with entertainment to follow from 1:15pm. Letter follows soon!

Academic Reports

This year we have amended the academic reports which will be sent home with your child on 16th July. We have redesigned the reports to reflect the way we now assess pupils and, hopefully, make them more succinct and meaningful for you. If you have any questions about it, please do not hesitate to ask.

New Gazebo

I am sure you have all been wondering what Mr Hartley, our Site Manager, has been doing over the last few weeks in the playground... Well he has completely refurbished our Gazebo and done a tremendous job! This will now enable us to store more play equipment to enhance the quality and enjoyment of playtimes for the children. By day, it will provide shelter from the sun, rain and wind for children at breaks; I am sure there will be some outdoor lessons too! Thank you Mr Hartley – you are a talented man!

Golden Book Awards



Rec : Adam and Isabella
Year 1: Benjamin and Thomas
Year 2: Colin and Darcy
Year 3: Sharon and Twaseen
Year 4: Evie B and Phenyio
Year 5: Reuben and Wiktor
Year 6: Anna and Theresa

Dates for your diary...

- 02/07/18 ~ World Faiths Week
- 03/07/18 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 03/07/18 ~ Guitar Music Concert ~ School Hall ~ 10:45am
- 04/07/18 ~ Moving up Day, including Y6 to Secondary Schools
- 04/07/18 ~ Tri-Golf School Games' Finals
- 05/07/18 ~ Year 6 Leavers' Play ~ School Hall ~ 6pm
- 06/07/18 ~ International Day
- 09/07/18 ~ Year 5 Wimbledon Trip
- 09/07/18-13/07/18 ~ Year 6 Residential week
- 10/07/18 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 13/07/18 ~ Year 4 Trip to Living Rainforest, Newbury
- 16 and 17/07/18 ~ Bikeability Year 6
- 16/07/18 ~ Academic Reports home to parents
- 18/07/18 ~ Leavers' Mass – Staff ~ School Hall ~ 10:00am ~ playground parking
- 20/07/18 ~ Year 6 Leavers' Assembly ~ School Hall ~ 9:30am ~ playground parking
- 20/07/18 ~ Break up end of Term 6 ~ 1:30pm

With all best wishes,



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

Thank you for joining us for St Peter and Paul Mass on Friday at Church. It was important to reflect how we can all open our hearts to Jesus through our thoughts, words and actions. It was lovely to follow this message in the Mass with a celebration of how our children have opened their hearts to Jesus this week through our Golden Book Awards.

It was very warm in Church and for a Friday afternoon after Sports' Day, I thought the children did very well!

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