



St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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See Us Learning – Class Open Door

I know a number of you have enjoyed coming in to class for our Class Open Door sessions after school but I wanted to discuss with you a new way of organising this. In response to feedback from parents in our annual questionnaire, some parents said that they would like to see what a typical day was like in the classroom. While I cannot accommodate visitors all day, I would like to offer the opportunity for a small number of parents to come into class, work with your child during a lesson and see what we're all about. We will offer 5 places per class on allocated days once per term, booked on a first come, first served basis. At the next Open Door session, we will offer 5 places to different parents who were unsuccessful the first time. To qualify, you must be a parent/carer, you must sign in and you must agree to our visitors' safeguarding code of conduct. **I will be discussing these plans at the Parents' Forum next week so please do come along and give me your thoughts.**

Community Mass

Many thanks to all the parents and parishioners who attended our Community Mass on the last day of term.

The Mass was led by Father Michael and the Chaplaincy Team – they all read and sang beautifully.



Golden Book Changes

As I mentioned last term, from this week we are making a slight change to the way we give our Golden Book awards. Instead of you and your child being notified by letter the night before, we will text you (parents) on Thursdays if your child is to receive an award the following day and to ask that you come to the assembly. **We ask that you do not tell your child they are to get an award; please keep it a secret.** We would like to save the surprise of receiving a certificate for the assembly! Needless to say, we will always need your up-to-date contact number for the text!

Mini-Marathon

Our Mini Marathon Training club for years 3-6 will start on Tuesday 5th March. This is in preparation for the Salisbury Schools Mini Marathon on Sat 18th May. The club is only for children taking part in the mini marathon. Please log on to School Gateway to pay £10 for the club and to sign up for the mini marathon – the fee covers both. Details will be sent home this week to parents (of children already signed up for the mini marathon) who would like to take part in the parent's race! Other clubs will start 4th March – details to follow.

St Patrick's Night Dance

The annual dance – and big Parish fundraiser – is taking place at St Elizabeth Hall on Saturday 16 March 7:30pm to 11pm. This event is organised by Mr and Mrs Rolleston and they are looking for donations of raffle prizes for the Charity Raffle – please send donations into school, clearly labelled 'St Patrick's Night Raffle'. Tickets are only £8 for adults and £4 for children and will be going on sale soon. You can bring your own food and drink on the night as long as you take your rubbish home! For a great night out and shenanigans galore, contact 337164.

Parents' Forum

Please save the date! The next Parents' Forum will be held on Tuesday 5th March at 9am. I am trying a new time in the hope that more parents will be able to come. Tea, Coffee and Cake will be served! At the meeting I would like to ask you about Class Open Door, Fundraising and the PSA. You may have questions of your own as well so there will be plenty of time for any other business. Although you can just turn up, it helps if you can let the office know you are coming so we can plan for numbers. I look forward to seeing you!

Golden Book Awards

Rec: Dean and Elsie
Yr 1: Isabella and Stefan
Yr 2: Archie and Oscar
Yr 3: Alphonsa and James
Yr 4: Joshua and Sandra
Yr 5: Emilia and Tomas
Yr 6: Ethan and Raffy



Dates for your diary...



[@St_OsmundsCP](http://www.twitter.com)

- 25/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening ~ Year 6, additional date ~ 3:30pm
- 26/02/19 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 26/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening 1 of 2 ~ 3:30pm-6pm
- 27/02/19 ~ Year 5 Tag Rugby Festival
- 27/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening 2 of 2 ~ 4pm-7pm
- 28/02/19 ~ Parents' Evening ~ Year 1 (2 of 2) ~ 4pm-7pm
- 05/03/19 ~ Parents' Forum ~ 9am
- 06/03/19 ~ Ash Wednesday Liturgy ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 07/03/19 ~ World Book Day ~ Shakespeare Day
- 26/03/19 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am
- 02/04/19 ~ Primary Live – Years 3 and 4 ~ City Hall ~ 12:45pm
- 03/04/19 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ all day
- 05/04/19 ~ Break-up end of Term 4 (for Easter Holidays)
- 23/04/19 ~ School re-opens for Term 5
- 30/04/19 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9:45am

With all best wishes,

Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher



School Council

The School Council are currently leading an ECO initiative in school to support the promises made in our Carol Service. We pledge to turn off all lights and taps when not using them, and to recycle our waste.

Reports

With the exception of year 6, your child should be bringing home a short interim progress report today. This is for you to have a read of ahead of your Parents' Evening appointment. Previously, we handed these out at the meeting but we felt that by giving it to you in advance it would enable you and the teacher to have a more focussed discussion about your child's progress.

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