

# St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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#### Well Done On Another Successful Year At St Osmund's!

I cannot quite believe that it is the end of another school year! 'Time flies' as the saying goes so we must be having fun!

This year there have been so many achievements made by the children and by the school. We have enjoyed great sporting success, particularly in the Wiltshire Games Finals where the Golfers came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the whole of Wiltshire, and for the Quad-athletes who made it the finals – no mean feat! To top it all, we have now earned the Gold Kite Mark for Sports Provision ©

We have once again strengthened our links with our Parish through Chaplaincy and in a wonderfully reflective Stations of the Cross day. I am also very pleased also with the developments of the PSA this year. They have raised enough money to ensure that the last class in the school will have an Interactive TV so ALL our classes are now future-proofed and well-stocked with IT.

Possibly not as exciting for you (but it is for us!) is our success with a £30,000 grant to carry out much-needed drainage repairs! But we couldn't forget that we have been successful in a lottery bid for £10,000 and received a free bus from Salisbury Reds, enabling us to embark on an exciting project to create a wonderful new and accessible library space.

Time flies because we are excited to work at this wonderful school and because we are passionate about providing the best that we possibly can for your children. Please see the items below for a summary of our academic achievements. Thank you for your continued support on our journey. Mr. S.

#### **Academic Success!**

I am also very pleased to report yet another year of tremendous success for our children in their end of key stage assessments – well done to the children in Reception, those who sat the phonics test in Y1, SATs in Y2 and in Y6.

As you know, our children come from a wonderful array of ethnic backgrounds; 50% of the school population do not speak English as a first language. This means that in the early years, the average level at which the class start is below-average. However, with the school's focus on communication, language and core skills, the children make tremendous progress right through the school and end their time at St Osmund's achieving highly.

We have just received initial confirmations of those final results and I am pleased to report a great sense of pride in our children – and all our teachers – on another set of amazing results.

The children achieved scores in Reading, Writing, Maths and SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) which are well-above the national average in all areas! In Reading the scores are likely to be in the top 2 or 3% of school nationally, and in Maths may well, one again, be in the top 1 or 2%.

Our children go onto Secondary School with the learning habits, knowledge and understanding to not only succeed, but thrive. I wish them all the very best as they move on to the next stage in their education – you are amazing! For a full results summary, please see our website <a href="http://www.st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk/our-school/school-performance">http://www.st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk/our-school/school-performance</a>

#### **Uniform Update**

Tonight is our final Uniform Shop before we break up. However, on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** we will be open in the afternoon to sell the uniform. At that point, the Tank Tops will be in stock, as will more of the sizes we have recently run out of. All other sizes will also be on sale. Thank you for your patience through the change of uniform and don't forget it is grey socks only.

# Dates for your diary...







- 19/07/19 ~ International Day
- 23/07/19 ~ Break-up end of Term 6 ~ 1:30pm
- 02/09/19 ~ Staff Training Day ~ School Closed to Pupils however...
- 02/09/19 ~ You will be able to purchase uniform in the afternoon (times TBA)
- 03/09/19 ~ School re-opens for Term 1 ~ 8:55am
- 06/09/19 ~ Mass for the New School Year ~ in school ~ 9:45am
- 13/09/19 ~ PSA Family Fun Day ~ 2pm
- 20/09/19 ~ Parent Network Meeting (Coffee Morning) ~ all welcome ~ 9am
- 18/10/19 ~ Community Mass ~ in school ~ 9:45am
- 23/10/19 ~ Break-up end of Term 1
- 04/11/19 ~ School re-opens for Term 2 ~ 8:55am

With all best wishes.



Mr R Sanderson Headteacher

## See you in September!

Please note that we break up at 1:30pm tomorrow!

We re-open on Tuesday,  $3^{rd}$  September 2019 at 8:55am for another year of learning!

Thank you all for your continued support of our school this year - it is very much appreciated  $\odot$ 

Have a super, safe and enjoyable summer holiday.

God bless. Mr. S.

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