



# St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## Times Tables

I am so pleased with the way the children have settled in to the new academic year; this week, the children have been well and truly in the swing of things with their learning. As a staff, we have been looking particularly closely at the children's learning in Maths – notably their grasp of their Times Tables.

While I am sure you notice lots of differences between what the children are learning in school now and what you and I learnt at school, something that has always remained central to confident learning in maths, are our Multiplication Tables. It comes in to just about everything and when the children know them it makes life much easier for them. By the end of Year 3, it is expected that ALL children will be able to answer questions from all tables (1x through to 12x) in a random order. E.g. 3x4, 7x8, 2x9 etc.

To support their learning, frequent practise at home is a big help - chanting, singing and random questioning in the car are all good strategies! Together, we can!

## Ordering Uniform

We are in the process of setting up online ordering. Please see the school website – [www.st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk](http://www.st-osmunds.wilts.sch.uk), then 'Our School' and 'School Uniform'. In that page you will find some relevant information to bear in mind. I will let you know when the online ordering is ready.

For now, we do have some stock of items with some more on the way.

## Parent Network Meeting

I would be delighted if you could join us for this open meeting which will be held next Friday (20<sup>th</sup>) at 9am. The open meeting will be a chance to meet other parents, have a chat over coffee and cake, as well as speak to Mr Sanderson, Mrs Sambrook (our SENCo) and our Parent Staff Link, Mrs Connett. Please do join us, it is not a formal occasion, just an opportunity to talk.

## School Applications

Please bear in mind the deadlines for school applications for entry in September 2020. For secondary school, parents need to apply by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019. For primary school, the deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020. You can apply online at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-applying](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-applying)

## Vaccinations

An important letter for your attention is going home on Monday regarding Flu Vaccinations.

## Parking and Safety

Thank you so much to the very large majority of parents who park considerably and use our car park and surrounding roads safely. For new parents (and a reminder to existing parents) here are some things we can do to make the area safer and more considerate to our neighbours:-

- Please do not use the school car park to drop-off/collect; it is private and for staff and visitors only (an exception is before 8:15am and after 4:00pm for Sunshine/after school clubs)
- Please do not park in the garage area outside our gates unless you own a garage
- Please do not park on the double yellow lines outside school, it impedes the ability to see approaching traffic and assess danger
- Please do not drive fast in or around our school
- **Pedestrians** – please do not or allow your child to walk through the car park or walk through the vehicular gate but instead use the path and pedestrian gate. There are red and white barriers next to the path – please do not go through these.

## Golden Book Awards

Year 1: Hanna and Jack  
Year 2: Rosalia and Erin  
Year 3: Alejandro and Louisa  
Year 4: Maisie and Miguel  
Year 5: Ines and Saul  
Year 6: Aaron and Edel

Our weekly winners are...



## Dates for your diary...



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- 13/09/19 ~ PSA Family Fun Day ~ 2pm
- 17/09/19 ~ Year 5 Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9.45am
- 20/09/19 ~ Parent Network Meeting (Coffee Morning) ~ all welcome ~ 9am
- 24/09/19 ~ Year 4 Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 9.45am
- 25/09/19 ~ Girls Football Festival Y5/6
- 27/09/19 ~ Macmillan Coffee Morning
- 01/10/19 ~ Multi Sports Festival Y3
- 02/10/19 ~ Football Festival Y5/6
- 04/10/19 ~ Harvest Mass ~ in school ~ 2pm
- 08/10/19 ~ Parents Evening 1 of 2 ~ 3:30pm-6pm
- 09/10/19 ~ Tri-Golf Festival
- 09/10/19 ~ Parents Evening 2 of 2 ~ 4pm-7pm
- 16/10/19 ~ Mixed Football Festival Y3/4
- 16/10/19 ~ Open Door Y2
- 17/10/19 ~ Open Door Y1
- 18/10/19 ~ Community Mass ~ in school ~ 9:45am
- 18/10/19 ~ Parent Network Meeting (Coffee Morning) ~ all welcome ~ 9am
- 23/10/19 ~ Open Door Y3 and 4
- 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

*I have two requests this week...*

*Please help us to get learning started as quickly as possible in the morning by ordering your child's lunches online at home. When the day starts in class, we still have a number of children not beginning their lessons while they choose lunches.*

*Please could I ask all parents to check their children's uniform for names and if your child's is not yet named, please do so this weekend.*

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