

# St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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#### **Summer Events**

With a fair wind we will hopefully be emerging from the gloom of isolation and restrictions soon and with that in mind, we have set our dates for the various fun activities we normally enjoy in the Summer Term. We are once again planning 'International Day', Sports Days and some PSA events such as a Family BBQ!

International Day is always one of my favourite days in the school calendar because it is such a glorious celebration of what makes St Osmund's amazing. I love the way we focus on the wonderful diversity we have at St Osmund's. We are Wiltshire's most multicultural primary school, and we want to celebrate it!

This year, we are again looking for parents or family members who could help us by putting together a dance or musical performance, or food unique to your culture. In the coming weeks this term, we will be writing to you again with more details and a google form to complete, letting us know how you are able to contribute to the day. The other events will also be publicised in the coming weeks by the PSA so watch this space! Look on the back of the newsletter too... we actually have some diary dates!

While we want to get back to 'normal' with events such as these above, we will still be ensuring that whatever health guidance of the time is being followed.

#### Zzzzzzz Bedtimes Zzzzzzzz

I hope I am not teaching you to suck eggs, but we have noticed how tired many of the children are. Only this week I was in a KS2 class one morning, and I was so surprised by the sheer number of children continuously yawning when they were trying to concentrate. It will be having quite an effect on their ability to learn.

Quite a few of the children talk of being on their PlayStations/X-Boxes, laptops and phones until quite a way into the evening. At worst, the children may be on these devices very late, and at best, even coming off them before bedtime can make falling asleep much more difficult.

There is a lot of research into the effect of screens and 'blue light' emitted from them on the stimulation of the brain and associated difficulties with sleeping.

I just wanted to draw your attention to this issue and while I am by no means talking about every child, there are a significant number of children across all year groups who are very tired in school which has an effect on their learning and behaviour.

#### Staff vs Parents

Parents needed! A friendly Netball match for everyone of all abilities, ages and levels of fitness. Training will be in line with regulations of England Netball for COVID-19. If you are interested in playing please contact Raiiti Lee, <a href="leeraiiti@gmail.com">leeraiiti@gmail.com</a> or 07450364026.

### **Book Swap**

Miss Longland is organising a parent book swap to start after half term. In preparation for this she would welcome any books that parents have read and would like to donate towards this exciting project.

#### Save the Date!

The Virtual PSA quiz is set for Friday 14th May 😂

#### **Golden Book Awards**

Rec: Jones and Fiona

Year 1: Octavia and Aaron

Year 2: Neil and Julian

Year 3: Rosalia and Lucas

Year 4: Katie and Leon

Year 5: Oscar and Darcy

Year 6: Juliana and Joshua



# Dates for your diary...

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03/05/21 ~ May Day Bank Holiday ~ School Closed

10/05/21 ~ Year 6 Swimming Week

13/05/21 ~ Parent Network Meeting ~ 4pm

14/05/21 ~ PSA Virtual Family Quiz

17/05/21 ~ Year 5 Swimming Week

28/05/21 ~ End of Term 5

07/06/21 ~ INSET Day - School Closed

08/06/21 ~ School re-opens for Term 6

17/06/21 ~ Parent Network Meeting ~ 4pm

22/23/06/21 ~ Sports Days

25/06/21 ~ Staff vs Parents I ~ Netball Match ~ 3:30pm

02/07/21 ~ International Day

09/07/21  $^{\sim}$  Staff vs Parents II  $^{\sim}$  Rounders and Picnic  $^{\sim}$  4pm

12/07/21 ~ Year 6 Residential to Simonsbath

19/07/21 ~ Family BBQ



Mr R Sanderson

#### School Day times:

- Reception ~ 08:30-14:50
- Years 1 and 3 ~ 08:40-15:00
- Year 2 and 5 ~ 08:50-15:10
- Years 4 and 6 ~ 09:00-15:20

Siblings should use the times above which apply to the earliest sibling.

Please wait on Carmelite Way until 1 minute before your scheduled time to avoid waiting on school premises and crossing bubbles.



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