



St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Christmas Preparation

This week, the start of the season of Advent, we begin the preparation for Jesus' coming at Christmas. In the midst of uncertainty and worry around the existing high numbers of Covid cases, and a new variant being found, it would be easy to forget that this time of year is a joyous time for families coming together and celebration. We were in school this morning early, busily decorating the school and making Christmassy to add some festive cheer!

Like you, we really want our children to have the best time possible, but we must take into account the local and national advice. And the advice from Public Health Wiltshire is very cautious.

Sadly, because we can only run the Key Stage 2 Carol Service on one night, we have had to cancel in its current form. We have taken this decision because the case rates are not falling, and now that the government is stepping up restrictions, it is not the right thing to do. The Church is packed out when we do Carol Services and it is not reasonable to put so many people at risk. Our hope is that we can do a recorded 'virtual' service but at this notice it will not be easy – we will keep you informed!

In terms of Nativities, we are talking with the school governors this week and will come to a decision about how these can take place safely. Again, we will update you later in the week with a decision.

Music Lessons

Our Piano Teacher, Mary White has spaces available. If your child would like to learn the Piano and is in KS2 please contact the office. Lessons take place in the school hall from 08.00am on a Wednesday and Thursday.

We also have a violin teacher who comes into school on a Monday morning to teach, so please note any interest for your child to take lessons to the office, who will put you in touch with her.

Pre- Loved Uniform Sale

The PSA are holding a pre-loved uniform sale on Friday 10 December 2021 at 3.15pm in the school playground.

Choir Club Singing

Our Choir Club are singing at St Thomas' Church on Friday 3rd December 2021 at 1.15pm-1.45pm as part of the Christmas Tree Festival. All Parents and families are welcome along to the church to watch.

Christmas Diary

With Christmas rapidly approaching and the start of Advent today here are the confirmed dates of our Christmas celebrations. Letters with more details of each event will be sent out in due course following discussions with the school governors.

Reception Nativity: 08 December at 2-3pm
09 December at 10 -11am

KS1 Nativity: 09 December at 2-3pm & 6-7pm

Whole School Christmas jumper day and Christmas Dinner: 15 December 2021 – please book your child's lunch by Friday 10 December 2021. Thank you.

Covid Testing

Coughs and colds are commonplace during this time of year, however as you will be aware coughs are also a known symptom of Covid 19. With this in mind if you contact the school to report your child absent with a cough please get them a PCR test and inform the office of the result once you have received it.

Golden Book Awards

Rec: Maya and Olivia
Year 1: Daisy-Grace and Griffin
Year 2: Yannis and Jacob
Year 3: Hanna and Alona
Year 4: Dania and Stefan
Year 5: Amelia and Michal
Year 6: Jessica and Ebony

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Dates for your diary...

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23.11.21 ~ Y3 Class Mass (Virtual) ~ 10am (St Osmund's Church TV)

26.11.21 ~ PSA Virtual Family Quiz ~ 6pm

29.11.21 ~ Advent Begins

08-09.12.21 ~ Reception and KS1 Nativities

15.12.21 ~ Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

17.12.21 ~ End of Term 2 @ 1.15pm

04.01.2022 ~ Term 3 Begins



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

**Dear Jesus,
Thank you that you are coming
back again. We don't know when
that will be, so help us to stand
tall and be ready for you.**

Amen

School Hours

Our school day begins at 8.45am with the children lining up in their classes. Please ensure your child is lined up ready to go in to class. This ensures a smooth start to the school day. Thank you.

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