

# St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## Home Readers

We are in the midst of enriching our home reading book provision and have been carrying out an audit of the resources we have in school. Prior to Covid-19 starting, we purchased a large number of new, engaging and phonically-decodable books for school and home use, but during the various lockdown periods, we sent home lots of these books home to support you with reading.

We think we have had only about 50% of the books back so before we invest a large sum of money replacing them, we were hoping you could have a really good look at home to see if you have any?

We are looking for books that have a coloured sticker on the spine – I am sure you will spot them! Many of them will have a logo like this Collins Big Cat one below. If you find any at home, please send them back in with your child this week so we can re-categorise them and allocate them as home readers.



#### **School Uniform**

Recently we have noticed that some children are not wearing ties. The correct full uniform includes a tie and therefore this must be worn everyday. If your child has lost their tie you can check with the office to see if it has been handed in to Lost Property, or you can purchase one from the school office or Kids Klobber on Endless Street in town. You can choose from a traditional tie, clip-on or elastic and they cost £4.00 each.

Please remember to name all uniform.

#### **Children's Mental Health Week**

This week is children's Mental Health Week.

Mental Health is always of paramount importance but there are numerous studies in the public domain that document the significantly negative impact that Lockdown and Covid-19 has had on the mental health of our young people.

At St Osmund's, our new scheme for Personal, Social and Health Education, which is rooted in our Catholic ethos, teaches awareness and strategies for addressing the wide range of mental health needs our children can experience. It is taught not just this week, but every week in all year groups.

#### **Pupil Premium**

If you believe you are entitled to Free School Meals, then you can apply to Wiltshire Council using their new Parent Portal. Click the link below, or copy and paste it into your browser

https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home

This is a secure web page.

Should you require assistance with this please pop into the School Office who will be able to help you.

The pupil premium grant provides more than just free school meals. Some school uniform can be provided free of charge, and you may receive help with other areas of school life, so even if your child is in Key Stage 1 and in receipt of Universal free school meals it might be worth seeing if you are eligible.

## Oolden Book Awands

Rec: Geon and Helen

Year 1: Nidhi and Zac

Year 2: AJ and Mia

Year 3: Lena and Lara

Year 4: Celine and Filip

Year 5: Jack and Valentina

Year 6: Lilianna and Alan



## Dates for your diary...

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08.02.2022 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 4 ~ Virtual ~ 10am

15.02.2022 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 3 ~ Virtual ~ 10am

18.02.2022 ~ End of Term 3

28.02.2022 ~ School re-opens for Term 4

01.02.22 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 2 ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 10am

08.02.22 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 1 ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 10am

02.03.22 ~ Ash Wednesday Mass ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 10am

02.03.22 ~ EYFS and KS1 Bedtime Stories ~ in school ~ 5:45-6:30pm

03.03.22 ~ World Book Day ~ Activity Day ~ Dress Up!

03.03.22 ~ KS2 Bedtime Stories ~ in school ~ 5:45-6:30pm

04.03.22 ~ Non-Uniform Day

05.04.22 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ School Hall ~ all day

07.04.22 ~ Easter Egg Hung & Easter Bonnet Parade ~ Playground and Woodland Area

08.04.22 ~ Class Photo Day

08.04.22 ~ End of Term 4 ~ 1.30pm

15.04.22 ~ Good Friday

17.04.22 ~ Easter Sunday

18.04.22 ~ Easter Monday

25.04.22 ~ School re-opens for Term 5



Mr R Sanderson Headteacher

Please make sure your contact details are up to date in the school office.

From Week 3.7 onwards, you will be invited via text message to our Celebration Assembly on a Friday afternoon if your child has been chosen to receive the Golden Book award. You will get your text message on the Thursday night before.

Please keep it a secret if you get the message! It is so lovely to see the children's faces when they walk in to see their family in assembly!

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