



St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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A Time of Celebration

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas and please accept my warmest wishes for a happy new year. It is lovely to be back in school and I am pleased that the children have made such a great beginning to the term. To give us the best possible start, please continue to support by encouraging your child to do their homework and to read at home at least 3 to 5x per week. They should be reading to an adult to support them with fluency, expression and understanding. It doesn't have to be long, 10 mins, and more is even better!

Yesterday at Mass we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany. This is the time when the Three Kings, who had followed the star, visited Jesus in the manger. There they gave him gifts fit for a king. At this time, we encourage our children and each other, to consider how we can give the gift of love to others in our lives, because whatever we do for each other, we also do for Jesus.



Footwear in School

Our school uniform includes expectations about appropriate footwear.

Please note that children must wear black shoes for school. We do not permit sparkly or light-up shoes. Boots – including ankle boots/knee-high or anything like that up to knee high boots are also not permitted. If it is a rainy day then children could wear wellies, for example, and change into their shoes at school, leaving their wellies under their peg.

Just for Girls Multi-Sports

Salisbury City Council and Magna Learning Partnership have come together and are providing a low- cost sporting opportunity for girls in years 5-8 on Tuesdays from 4.30 -5.30pm at Sarum Academy term time only starting in January. Sports will include hockey, cricket, football etc. The first 5 sessions are free, and it is £3 thereafter. Please go to <https://form.jotform.com/BemertonHeath/SCCPRF> to book your child's free session.

Leave from School

As we start a new calendar year, this is just a reminder to note our attendance statement and policy on the school website. We cannot authorise leave from school except in the most exceptional circumstances and this must be applied for to the school. In addition, please note the statement about persistent occasional absence (page 4 of the attendance statement).

Children do need to be off school if they have vomiting/diarrhoea, or if they have a high temperature (over 38 degrees). Sickness absence will be authorised, however the advice remains that for coughs and colds, children should be in school.

Wiltshire Council may issue penalty notices for unauthorised leave.

Baby News

I am pleased to announce on behalf of Mrs Bermudez and her husband that they are expecting their first child in the summer. What exciting news as they embark on a truly exciting chapter in their lives! Please join me in wishing them all the very best for a happy and healthy pregnancy.

Golden Book Awards

Rec: Tito and Alexandra
Year 1: Helain and Olivia B
Year 2: Nidhi and Ananya
Year 3: Jacob and Olivia M
Year 4: Mudia and Julian
Year 5: Dania and Albie
Year 6: Cara and Isabelle

Our
weekly
winners



Dates for your diary...

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10.01.23 ~ Year 3 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church
10.01.23 ~ Year 5 Swimming ~ Five Rivers Leisure Centre
16.01.23 ~ Year 2 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church
24.01.23 ~ Year 1 Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church
31.01.23 ~ Year R Class Mass ~ St Osmund's Church
10.02.23 ~ End of Term 3 ~ 3.15pm
20.02.23 ~ Start of Term 4



Mr R Sanderson
Headteacher

Apply for your Reception Place.

Will your child be four years old before September 2023? You **MUST** apply for a primary school place. Apply online at wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available from all Wiltshire Council offices the deadline for applications is midnight on 15 January 2023. We have been conducting tours, just book with the school office 😊

Dear Lord

The Magi followed the star to meet the saviour of the world.

Let us recognise today the light that is Jesus and the hope that He gives us. Help us to be more like Him and have the courage to be kind to each other in the face of uncertainty.

Amen

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