

St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Pastures New for Mrs Sterck

This is an article I have long known I would write. After 9 years of dedicated service to St Osmund's and Catholic education, Mrs Sterck is moving on to a new challenge and a well deserved headship in Dorset.

Mrs Sterck has been Assistant Head, then Deputy Head here at St Osmund's and Year 6 teacher, and more recently working with myself, Mrs Windsor and Mrs Brownsword in our 2-year partnership with Christ the King Catholic Primary School. She has been a truly inspirational teacher and leaves St Osmund's with us feeling sad, but we also have an overwhelming sense of excitement and pleasure as we wish her all the best for the next step in her career.

In her own words, she says, 'it has been a privilege to touch the lives of so many children'... and she certainly has through her expertise and support for teachers over the years and the children they teach, as well as the children in her own classes. The best dedication we can all make to Mrs Sterck is to continue the great work she has done and give our children – as we always have – the best possible start to life at secondary school and the world beyond.

I am sure you will all be wondering what we will be doing next. In the coming weeks we will be advertising for a new senior leader and we will keep you informed as to our progress.

Illness and Attendance

Please remember that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must not return to school until 48 hours from the last episode.

If your child has a fever then please keep them off school until they are free of fever without any medication e.g. Calpol. If your child is suffering frequent fevers, or recurrent conditions you are advised to speak to your GP. We may require medical evidence for frequent illness.

Our overall attendance rates have slipped recently and you will receive a summary of this in the report cards going home ahead of parents evening next week. We target 96.1% as 'expected' attendance. Anything below 90% is classed as a persistent absentee. Please see the school website – policies – for our attendance statement.

School Photographs

Fraser Portraits will be in school on Thursday 16 March to take class photographs. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform including a tie and look neat and tidy. All uniform items, including ties, can be purchased from Kids Klobber on Endless Street.

After School Clubs

Due to Parents Evening on Tuesday and Wednesday next week the following afterschool clubs will **not** be running: Reading Club

Computing Club

Netball Club

All other clubs will be on as usual.

Cake Sales

Please note next week's cake sale is Year 2's. Year 2 are to bring the cakes (no nuts) and all children in the school to bring 50p. The cakes are on sale at playtime and if there are any left, we will sell them after school! All proceeds from the Y1, 2, 3 and 4 cake sales will go to CAFOD for the Turkey and Syria Earthquake appeal.

Golden Book Awards

Rec: Benjamin and Khaled

Year 1: Evania and Ridvik

Year 2: Sezmi and Amelia

Year 3: Bryony and Oliver

Year 4: Hanna and William

Year 5: Rosalia and Borys Year 6: Alejandro and Riley Our weekly winners



Dates for your diary...

13 & 15.03.23 ~ Year 6 Parents Evening ~ 3.30-7pm

14 & 16.03.23 ~ Year 5 Parents Evening ~ 3.30-7pm

14.03.23 ~ Parents Evening ~ 3:30-6pm

15.03.23 ~ Parents Evening ~ 4-7pm

16.03.23 ~ Class Photographs

17.03.23 ~ Lenten Cake Sale ~ Year 2

20.03.23 ~ Orienteering Festival ~ Year 3

22.03.23 ~ Penitential Service followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Years 4, 5 and 6

23.03.23 ~ Stations of the Cross ~ School Hall ~ all welcome

28.03.23 ~ Life Education visit

29.03.23 ~ Life Education visit

31.03.23 ~ 60 Active Minute Festival ~ Years 3 & 4

31.03.23 ~ Break up end of Term 3 ~ 1:30pm

17.04.23 ~ School re-opens for Term 4



Mr R Sanderson Headteacher God our Father, help us to see your Son in all people and to treat them as we would wish to be treated ourselves. Help us to listen and live our lives as you ask us to.

Amen.

Seeking Hot Water Bottles

I'm Miss Bulezuik and you may have seen me around school. I am a final year student teacher. One of my projects I have to undertake at university is called "making change happen". For my project I am creating a free rental service for hot water bottles. These are being provided to those who will benefit from them most and they will be found at Roly's fudge shop, and food pantries in the area. In order for my project to be successful, now, and in future winters, I am looking for hot water bottle donations. They will need to be brand new and in date. I would be really grateful if you could support me in keeping Salisbury warm. If you run a business I can also advertise this on the hot water bottles. Please pass any donations to the office.

Thank you, Miss Bulezuik



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