



# St Osmund's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## Social Media Safety

What is the minimum age for account holders on these media apps? We hear all the time about children using social media as well as chatting and gaming online, and no doubt, a lot of knowledge and entertainment can be found there. The age restrictions are below in this NSPCC graphic, and these age restrictions are in place for good reasons. You can find a great deal of interesting and useful information on the NSPCC website about helping your child have fun and stay safe when using apps and games - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>.

Many players use the communication features in the apps to talk to one other while they are playing. This means that there is a risk of cyberbullying or unwanted contact (NSPCC). We urge parents to monitor their child's use of social media and game platforms. Many platforms have parental controls which you can use to keep your child safe from unwanted content. In addition, we teach online safety in school to support the work you do at home to ensure your child has fun, and keeps safe online.



### Age Restrictions on Social Media

**13**

TikTok  
IG  
Youtube  
FB  
Twitter  
Snapchat  
Messenger  
Discord  
Signal  
Houseparty

Pinterest  
Reddit  
Twitch  
Yubo



**16**

Whatsapp



**18**

Clubhouse  
Tinder  
Bumble  
Hinge



Courtesy of: Action for Children

## Uniform

The correct uniform is to be worn at school. See [here](#) for details. If trousers are worn, they should be grey and shirts should be white, standard collar and ties are to be worn. Please note, no leggings, white socks, trainers. Please also see the item below about wristbands. Children receive stars which are well-earned! We want to see them wearing their wristbands and stars with pride every day.

## Key Stage 2 Reading Challenge

The in-school reading scheme we follow supports our new London Underground reading challenge for our key stage 2 children, but we hope that the children will supplement this by reading other books alongside their class reading books. There are 6 tube lines to choose from and each underground line has 7 reading challenge stations. Reading challenges will be kept in the back of each child's reading record book. The children will receive Reading Challenge Certificates which will be awarded in assembly for every tube line completed.

Please support your child with their reading at home.

## Absence

Please may we remind you that if your child is going to be absent from school you ring (01722 322632 option 1) or email ([schoolcomms@st-osmunds.co.uk](mailto:schoolcomms@st-osmunds.co.uk)) in the morning of every day they are off.

## Wristbands

All children should wear their wristband, it carries our Mission Statement and is part of our identity. It is also a personal reference point for our behaviour policy. If your child's wristband needs replacing please ask their teacher or at the office.

## Nuts

We aim to be a nut free school so ask that if you provide your child with lunch or a snack to please ensure cereal bars and chocolate spreads do not contain nuts.

## Star of the Week Awards

**Rec:** Amelia and Keziah  
**Year 1:** Elizabeth and Khaled  
**Year 2:** Hanna and Uriella  
**Year 3:** Luca and Zac  
**Year 4:** Robbie and Mia  
**Year 5:** Melissa B and James  
**Year 6:** Daniel and Lola H



# Dates for your diary...

[www.twitter.com](https://www.twitter.com/@St_OsmundsCP)  
@St\_OsmundsCP

16.01.24 ~ Reception Fire Brigade visit ~ 9:30am  
16.01.24 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 2 ~ Church ~ 10am  
23.01.24 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 1 ~ Church ~ 10am  
30.01.24 ~ Class Mass ~ Year R ~ Church ~ 10am  
09.02.24 ~ School breaks up end of Term 3 ~ 3:15pm  
19.02.24 ~ School reopens for start of Term 4 ~ **08:40am**  
19.02.24 ~ Whole school Mass (distribution of ashes) ~ St Osmund's Church ~ 1:30pm  
04.03.24 ~ Parents Evening  
05.03.24 ~ Parents Evening  
16.01.24 ~ Class Mass ~ Year 2



Mr R Sanderson  
Headteacher

## Safeguarding Team

If you have any concerns about a child's welfare or safety, please speak to a member of the school safeguarding team:

Mr Sanderson – Designated Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Chapman – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Sambrook – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead  
Mrs Windsor – Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

God our Father, lover of all nations, we pray for peace: peace in our hearts and  
in our homes, peace among nations and in our world.

Amen

## New Start Time

Following on from our letter last term, please remember the new school starting time of 08:40am from Term 4 (Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024). Your feedback was invaluable and we have heard what you have said about getting out on time at the end of the day. Children should be released to you at 3:15pm into the playground.

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