

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 33

### 18 June 2018



### In Class this Week

#### **St Anthony –**

English - listening to and writing about Brazilian legends  
Maths – sharing equally and making equal groups  
RE - thinking about how the Holy Spirit helps us and asking questions about Pentecost

#### **St Aldhelm –**

English – creating a pirate character  
Maths – capacity and volume  
RE – Pentecost – to recognise that the account of the coming of the spirit holds a meaning for Christians today

#### **St Lawrence – English –** autobiographies

Maths - turns and right angles  
RE - Pentecost

#### **St Francis –**

English – producing an information website  
Maths – securing knowledge and converting measurements  
RE – Pentecost

#### **St Scholastica –** We will be working on the business plans for the stalls at the summer fete, which will incorporate maths & writing

RE – Pentecost  
 We will also be practising for the Y6 athletics competition

### Open Day

An opportunity for potential new families to look around our school on a normal working day. Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Tours will be running at 9.30am, 11.15am and 1.30pm.

### Road Safety - IMPORTANT

It has been brought to my attention by a number of parents that Year 6 children are walking to school whilst on their mobile phones. A couple of them have been witnessed as being so engrossed in their phone, they have not been focusing on the road and the traffic. One pupil even stepped off the kerb as a car was coming! This is of course making my heart skip a beat! Our advice to the pupils has been that the phone should be in their school bag on the way to and from school and is there only for an emergency situation. The children are certainly not allowed for their phone to be out of their bag on school premises and they are taken off the children at registration and locked away until the end of the day. I strongly urge parents to make sure that they speak to their children about road safety in particular - if a child is putting themselves in danger by having a phone, perhaps they are not ready to have one! Many thanks. Mrs Ann Wood

### Attendance Rate

St Anthony	95.4%
St Aldhelm	95.9%
St Lawrence	95.8%
St Francis	97.0%
St Scholastica	97.2%

### After School Clubs

*If anyone is interested in joining a sports club, please contact Mr Dawson. They all run 3.30-4.30pm.*

Monday - Dance (Y1-Y6)  
 Tuesday - Gymnastics (Y4, Y5, Y6)  
 Tuesday - Football (Y5, Y6)  
 Wednesday - Netball (Y5, Y6)  
 Thursday - Football (Y2, Y3, Y4)  
 Thursday - Dodgeball (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6)  
 Friday - Multi-sports (Y1, Y2)  
 Friday - Hockey (Y4, Y5, Y6)  
**PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD PROMPTLY AT 4.30pm.**

Monday - Art Club (Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6) 3.30 - 4.30pm  
 Tuesday - Minecraft Club until 3.30 - 4.30pm  
 Both run by Isaac Owen.

### Clubs cancelled

Please be advised that Art Club and Minecraft Club with Isaac Owen will be cancelled w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Please therefore arrange pick up of your child at the usual time. Parents are being reimbursed for the missed sessions.

### Art Club

There are still a few places left if anyone would like to join. Just contact the school office or Isaac directly.

### School Trips/Workshops

St Anthony	Samba Drumming/Dance Workshops in school	12 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup> June
St Francis	Malmesbury Abbey	27 <sup>th</sup> June
Whole School	Bowood House & Gardens	29 <sup>th</sup> June
Y6	Possible date for trip	23 <sup>rd</sup> July
St Francis & St Aldhelm	Jonathan's Jungle Roadshow at school	24 <sup>th</sup> July

If needed, school trip letters and medical forms can be downloaded from the website under the Parents tab.

## Topaz Power

This term's learning gem is Topaz, which represents the value of tolerance. We are learning how to respect each other, even when we have a difference in our beliefs, opinions, likes and dislikes.

## Arrival in School

There are still a number of children repeatedly arriving late into school after the gate is shut at 8.50am. **Please ensure that your child is in school by 8.45am.**

## Data Protection

To view our associated GDPR documents on our website, please click on the link at the bottom of the website page

## Vacancy: Mid-Day Supervisory Assistant

We have a vacancy for an MDSA to start from 25<sup>th</sup> June, to supervise children during the lunch hour 12-1pm, plus an additional 30 minutes for other related duties. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

## Kilvrough Manor Y6 Residential Trip 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

A letter (with medical form and information booklet) will be sent out very soon, detailing to parents of next year's Y6 children how much is owing for this trip. We would be grateful if return of medical forms and payment could be made by Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Glastonbury

This year's pilgrimage, led by Bishop Declan, will be on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Information is on the noticeboards.

## Annual Swimming Gala

St Joseph's annual KS2 Swimming Gala will take place at the Activity Zone on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 1.30 - 3.30pm**. Full Swim Kits to be brought to school please. Parents of KS2 children are welcome to come and watch. Please arrange for your child to be collected promptly at 3.30pm directly from the Activity Zone.

## Parent Support Advisor

Our Parent Support Advisor, Terry Jones, can offer support and advice on any parenting issues you may be having difficulty with at home or at school. This service is FREE to parents. Terry can meet parents in school, home or elsewhere. Parents can contact Terry on 07876 201021 or [terryjones@malmsbury-pri.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:terryjones@malmsbury-pri.wilts.sch.uk).

## End of Term Arrangements

The school will close at the end of the summer term on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 1pm**. Please arrange pick up or alternative child-care from this time.

## Reading Challenge

We hope everyone is enjoying this term's reading challenge - we are welcoming parents to get involved as well if they would like. We would like to emphasize that although this is an 'Extreme' challenge, we trust the children will be sensible and guided by an adult!

## Elena Stevens' End of Year Piano Concert

This will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30 - 2pm in the school hall. Parents of the children who have piano lessons are welcome to come along. Please arrive five minutes before the concert starts.

## Summer Fete

Please come along and enjoy our annual summer fete taking place in the school grounds on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 11am-1.30pm. A big thank you to all members of the PFA for their hard work in making this happen. This is a big fundraising event for the school so we are grateful to everyone for their support. There is a letter on the PFA page on the school website giving more details, plus an email will be going out today with deadlines for raffle ticket stubs, art competition, etc. One of the Y6 stalls (run by Grace, Cora and Sofia) will involve decorating a t-shirt. Therefore if anyone would like to decorate their own white or pale-coloured t-shirt, please bring it along on the day and make your way to their stall, next to the sweet stall!

## Miss Emma's Dance/Gym Clubs Performance

Children who attend Miss Emma's Dance & Gymnastics Clubs give a performance on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15pm in the school hall. Parents of these children are welcome to come and watch - arrive 2.05pm.

## Diary Dates

### June 2018

- 19 June – KS2 Swim Gala 1.30-3.30pm Activity Zone
- Saturday 23 June – School Summer Fete
- 27 June – New Reception Picnic and visit
- 27 June – Reception parents meeting – 6pm
- 27 June – St Francis to Malmesbury Abbey
- 28 June – School Open Day – for potential new families. Tours at 9.30am, 11.15am and 1.30pm
- 29 June – Whole School Trip Bowood

### July 2018

- Sunday 1 July – First Holy Communion Y3
- 3, 4 July – Y6 Induction Malmesbury School
- 5 July – End of term reports home to parents
- 6 July – Sports day + early finish 1pm
- 10 July 2.15pm Dance/Gymnastics Show - School (parents of children Miss Emma's groups: arrive 2.05)
- 23 July – possible date for Y6 trip
- 24 July - St Francis & St Aldhelm - Jonathan's Jungle Roadshow at school