



THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

From Mrs Wood

St Joseph's Day, also known as the Feast of Saint Joseph, is the feast day for St Joseph - which falls on 19th March each year. We wanted to celebrate this in some way this year and so the classes are making links with St Joseph's School in Devizes where we will be sharing some work with them. This feast day is often celebrated around the world by people wearing red, just as people dress in green for St Patrick's Day. However, many think of white as the colour associated with St Joseph as he is often depicted holding a white lily and white candles are lit in his honour. Therefore, we decided that we would dress in red and white on Tuesday 19th March to honour St Joseph, as well as raising funds for CAFOD, if everyone would kindly bring in a £1 donation. We also welcome you on Tuesday to St Aldhelm's class assembly in church at 1.30pm.

New School Lunches

As from Tuesday 23rd April, school lunches will be prepared and served on site. Letters, menus and order forms have been sent out in book-bags and are on the website. Due to the Easter break we require all orders to be in the office by Monday 1st April for meals w/c 23rd April. Thank you.

Vacancy

We are looking to appoint a Catering Assistant for 10 hours per week 11.30am - 1.30pm term time only to assist our cook at lunchtimes. The role is paid on Scale Point B1 £9/hour term time only. A Food Hygiene Certificate Level 1 will be required. Please contact admin@st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk by Friday 22nd March you are interested.

PFA Film Night & Mothers' Day Market

Film Night - Friday 22nd March at 8pm CANCELLED
 Mothers' Day Market - Friday 29th March at school.
 More details to follow for both these events.

PFA Committee Meeting

The next PFA Committee Meeting will be held at the Old Bell Hotel, Malmesbury at 8pm on Monday 18th March. The agenda is on the noticeboard.

Forest School - St Aldhelm & St Anthony

Dates for St Aldhelm Class Forest School are set for Friday 26 April, 3, 10, 17, 24 May. In the meantime, Miss Just & Mr P are running 'Outdoor Learning' sessions on the land every Monday afternoon - please ensure your child has suitable outdoor clothes and footwear. St Anthony Class Forest School will be after the summer half-term break in June and July. Please provide your child with outdoor clothes and footwear, to be brought into school in a plastic bag.

In Class this Week

St Anthony - English - Jack and the Beanstalk dialogue
 Maths - Subitising and dice problems RE - Lent

St Aldhelm - English - Assessments (plus Jack & the Beanstalk)
 Maths - Assessments (plus division & multiplication) RE - Lent

St Lawrence - English - Nonsense Poetry
 Maths - Length - equivalent lengths (m and cm, cm and mm - and kilometres) RE - Lent

St Francis - English - Assessments Maths - Assessments
 RE - Lent *St Francis parents - please ensure your child brings their swim kit into school on Tuesdays and their PE kit is in school on Mondays.*

St Scholastica - English - Practice SATS papers all week
 Maths - Practice SATS papers all week RE - Lent

St Lawrence Trip to Stonehenge & St Anthony Splendid Skies Workshop

St Lawrence class will be going to Stonehenge on Tuesday 23rd April. A letter has been sent home and is on our website. The deadline for consent forms/payment of £16.70 is 1st April. St Anthony class will be participating in a Splendid Skies workshop in school on Wednesday 24th April. Deadline for consent forms/payment of £6 is Tuesday 2nd April. Thank you.

Class Attendance

St Anthony - 94.5%	St Lawrence - 95.1%
St Aldhelm - 96.7%	St Francis - 97.0%
	St Scholastica - 96.1%

Gymnastics Clubs Cancelled

Apologies - NO gymnastics clubs on Wednesday 20th March and Tuesday 26th March.

Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings will take place next week, w/c 25th March. Letters have been sent home, so please check the date and time of the slot you have been allocated.

Y1/Y2 Beginners Gymnastics Club

A new gymnastics club is running by Miss Emma for Y1 and Y2 children, which is on Monday lunchtimes, starting on 18th March. Please see letter which has been given out.

Urgent - School Football Kit

Any school football kit which children have borrowed - please wash and return to school urgently as we have some items missing and children need them for sports events.

School Admissions Policy

Our School Admissions Policy has been updated; please see the school notice board visit our website: www.st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk / Our School / Admissions / Admission Policy 2020-2021.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Diary Dates (published on website on Tuesdays)

March 2019

Mon 18 Mar 8pm – PFA Committee Meeting, Old Bell Hotel

Tues 19 Mar 1.30pm – St Joseph's Day Whole School Mass – church – St Aldhelm to lead

CANCELLED - Fri 22 March 8pm – PFA Film Night

Fri 22 March – End of term reports

Tues 26 & Thurs 28 March – St Anthony, St Aldhelm & St Scholastica Parents evenings

Mon 25 & Tues 26 March - St Lawrence & St Francis Parents evenings

Wed 27 March – Choir to lunch club, town hall

Friday 29 March – PFA Mothers' Day Market at school

April 2019

Wed 3 April 9.30am - Stations of the Cross service in school

Friday 5 April - 1pm – School finishes early

Wed 24 Apr– St Anthony 'Splendid Skies' workshop in school

Easter Holiday: Monday 8th April – Monday 22nd April – back to school on Tuesday 23rd April

May 2019 Monday 6 May – Bank Holiday

Mon 13 – Thurs 16 May – Y6 SATs week

Friday 17 May – May Procession TBC

Half Term Monday 27th – Friday 31st May

Monday 3 June – back to school

June 2019

Tues 11 June – Whole school Mass, church, St Anthony to lead

Wed 12 June – Y6 Leavers Mass, Clifton TBC

Fri 14 June 1.30-3.30– KS2 Swimming Gala, Activity Zone

Wed 19 June – School Photographer Classes, YR – Y6

Mon 24 June – TD/Inset Day – school closed to children

Thurs 27 12 noon– New Reception Induction Picnic & Visit

Thurs 27 June 6pm – New Reception Parents Meeting

Friday 28 June 9.15-12 noon SPORTS DAY – new date
Malmesbury Primary, picnic on the land and early finish 1pm

Sunday 30 June – First Holy Communion

July 2019

Monday 1 – Wed 3 July – Y3 Braeside Residential Trip

Tues 2 July & Wed 3 July – Y6 to Year 7 Induction Days at Malmesbury Secondary School

Thurs 4 July – Reserve date for Sports Day if it is very bad weather on Friday 28 June

Thurs 4 July – End of year reports to parents

Friday 12 July – End of term exhibitions – all classes

Tues 16 & Wed 17 July – Y5 & Y6 Summer Production

Thurs 25 July 10.30am – Leavers' Mass in school

Thurs 25 July – End of term early finish at 1pm

26th July – 30th August – SUMMER HOLIDAYS – Start back to school on Monday 2nd September 2019

Parking Reminder

Some parents are still pulling up on the double yellow lines outside school, as well as outside the Gig House on the corner. In some cases children are getting out of cars and crossing the road by themselves, which is so dangerous, as the visibility on the bend for both pedestrians and drivers is poor. The Community Police Team is aware and has advised that we contact Parking Services who could issue tickets. I urge you to make the most of the fact that parking charges in the car park are now not in force until 9am, enabling all children to arrive safely and on time to school.

Sports/Health & Fitness Clubs

All clubs except Monday Gym: 3.30-4.30pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.30pm.

MONDAY	DANCE	HALL - MISS EMMA	Reception to Year 6
MONDAY 12.30-12.50	GYMNASTICS (new)	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y1 & Y2
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
TUESDAY - now THURS	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND until after Easter	Y5 & Y6
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y3 & Y4
WEDNESDAY	NETBALL	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	DODGEBALL	HALL - ASC	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND -ASC/Mr Dawson	Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
FRIDAY	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY	HOCKEY	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6

Other Clubs

MONDAY	CHINESE Mr Han	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
TUESDAY	MODERN JAZZ DANCE Nikki Purkess 01666 825802	Hall (There is a charge)	Lunchtimes
WEDNESDAY	CHOIR Y3 - Y6 Mrs CambraySmith	Hall	12- 12.30pm
THURSDAY	Y1-Y6 MINECRAFT Isaac Owen	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Y1-Y6 Isaac Owen ART & CRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm

Snack-time & Lunchboxes

KS1 children are provided with fruit/vegetables for snack-time and we ask that KS2 children bring only fruit/vegetables for snacks too. Healthy lunchboxes should be provided and sweets /chocolate should be avoided. This also applies to children off site for sports tournaments and other activities. Thank you.

School Uniform

Please ensure your child attends school in full winter uniform and brings a coat to school. Hair touching shoulders should be tied back. For your information, our up-to-date uniform policy is on the website. New and used school uniform can be obtained from the office on Wednesdays. The transition to summer uniform will take place after Easter when winter or summer uniform may be worn.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion is Sunday 30th June 2019 at 10.30am at St Aldhelm's Church. More details to follow.

Beginning of the School Day

We request that parents wait with their children outside the main gate until a member of staff arrives at 8.35am. This is for the safety of all children. In order for this to happen, the Walking Bus will leave promptly at 8.30am. Thank you.