



Newsletter 27

Monday 1st April 2019

THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

From Mrs Wood

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter and hope that you have a peaceful time this holiday with your families. Next term is a short but busy term with Year 6 SATs beginning on Monday 13th May for the week - see timetable of the week below:

Monday 13th May

English SPAG short answer questions (paper 1)

Spelling Test (paper 2)

Tuesday 14th May

English Reading Paper

Wednesday 15th May

Mathematics Arithmetic (paper 1)

Mathematics Reasoning (paper 2)

Thursday 16th May

Mathematics Reasoning (paper 3)

We return to school on Tuesday 23rd April and we look forward to seeing everyone back then. Please remember that St Lawrence Class will be going on their trip to Stonehenge on that day.

Please note that after school sports clubs are cancelled on Friday 5th April.

Y1-Y4 Orienteering Event

We will be taking all our Y1-Y4 children to Malmesbury Secondary School for the annual orienteering event on Thursday 25th April. Please see letter sent out last week - we request forms into the office by first thing Wednesday 3rd April.

Stations of the Cross

We welcome parents and parishioners to our very special Stations of the Cross service on Wednesday 3rd April at 9.30am in the school hall. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards and we very much look forward to you joining us.

Urgent - 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. Because of the Easter break we require all orders to be in the office by TODAY Monday 1st April for meals w/c 23rd April. Thank you.

Mr Dawson's Parents' Evenings

Please note that Mr Dawson's parents' evenings will now take place on Tuesday 30th April and Thursday 2nd May.

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 whilst Mr Dawson is off - please ensure your child has suitable outdoor clothes and footwear. St Anthony Class Forest School will take place 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 - Paper dolls instruction writing
Maths - Number bonds to 10 RE - Lent

St Aldhelm - Innovate Week! RE - Lent

St Lawrence - English & Maths - Finishing off
RE - Lent Open classroom 2.30pm on Thursday 4th April

St Francis - Innovate Week!
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 - Thrilling stories & comprehension practice
Maths - Shapes, area & volume RE - Lent & stations of the cross

Parent Volunteers

If any parent is currently, or would like to be a volunteer helper in school or for class trips and off-site excursions, please contact Mrs Pearce in the school office to discuss DBS security checks.

DEADLINES FOR PAYMENT St Lawrence Trip to Stonehenge & St Anthony Splendid Skies

St Lawrence class will be visiting 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 today 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 - 94.7%	St Lawrence - 94.7%
St Aldhelm - 96.8%	St Francis - 97.1%
	St Scholastica - 96.1%

Shed-painting working party

We are very lucky to have two members of our School Governors who have volunteered to paint our school wooden sheds, etc, in the holidays on Monday 8th April. They would be grateful for any volunteers who have some time to spare on that day who would give up a couple of hours to arrive at school for 9.30am armed with a paintbrush suitable for using on sheds. If you can volunteer, it would be wonderful if you can come and help improve the learning environment for the children. Thank you.

Y6 Leavers Mass

We are delighted to be able to confirm to all our year six parents that the annual Catholic Primary School Leavers' Mass at Clifton Cathedral will be on Wednesday 12th June 2019. As always, we welcome all Y6 parents to join us for this very special day. We will issue more details after Easter.

School finishing early at 1pm

We break up for the Easter Holidays on Friday 5th April and will finish early at 1pm. Please arrange to collect your child promptly or book them in to K&S After-School Club. No afterschool sports clubs.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Diary Dates (updated on website on Tuesdays)

April 2019

Wed 3 April 9.30am - Stations of the Cross service in school with refreshments afterwards; parents and parishioners welcome
Thursday 4th April 2.30pm - Open classroom St Lawrence
Friday 5 April - 1pm - School finishes early at 1pm - **PLEASE NOTE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS CANCELLED**
Friday 5 April 6.30-8.30pm - Youth Group for Y5 & Y6 - St Joseph's school hall

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

Tuesday 23 April - St Lawrence Class trip to Stonehenge
Wed 24 Apr - St Anthony 'Splendid Skies' workshop in school
Thur 25 Apr - Y1-Y4 Orienteering Event - Secondary School
Tues 30 April & Thurs 2nd May - St Scholastica Parents eves

May 2019 Monday 6 May - Bank Holiday - no school
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 all day - Y6 Leavers Mass, Clifton - confirmed
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 - Malmesbury Primary School, picnic on St Joseph's land & early finish 1pm
Sunday 30 June 10.30am - 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
Sat 6 July - Summer Fete. Theme: Safari Jungle Adventure
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

September 2019 Monday 2nd Sept 2019 - Back to school

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th Sept - New Y6s Residential Trip
Provisional TD Days for 2019-2020 - to be confirmed

21, 22, 23 October 2019

24, 25 February 2020

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 these clubs except Monday Gymnastics are after school: 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	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y1 & Y2
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
TUESDAY - now THURS	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND	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	Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
FRIDAY Cancelled 5/4	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY Cancelled 5/4	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

Modern Jazz Dance Club

Modern Jazz Dance classes will be available for children from Y2 to Y6 starting on Tuesday 30th April. The classes will run every Tuesday lunchtime for 10 weeks and the course will cost £22.50 per child. If you'd like more details, or your child is new to the club and would like to join, then please contact Nikki Purkess on: purkessc@aol.com or 01666 825802 / 07894 710411.

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

Sunday 30th June 2019 at 10.30am. More details to follow.

School Admissions Policy

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