



## THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

### From Mrs Wood

I do hope you have all had a lovely weekend. With such a short term and Bank Holidays, there is a lot to fit in! Our learning gem this term is Topaz, which represents respect. This is something that we will be reminding the children of in the coming weeks, so I would be grateful if you could be discussing this at home too. **RESPECT**

1. Treating others the way you want to be treated.
2. Showing kindness and consideration.
3. Liking yourself enough to be yourself.
4. Accepting others for who they are.

We are looking for a parent volunteer to come with us on our Year 3 residential trip to Braeside in Devizes from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> July. We would prefer not to have a parent of any of the Year 3 children who are going. It is possible that we may also require a parent volunteer for the Year 6 residential to Kilvrough Manor in September which is for a week. Again, this would be a parent but not of a Year 6 child! If you are interested in either of these, then please do contact me for further information. Thank you.

We welcome you all to our May Procession, which will be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. The service will start in school at 2pm and we will then process round to the church for the remainder of the service. As everyone leaves church they will be given a flower, to be placed at the statue of Mary in the grotto on the Nun's Walk. Everyone continues down onto the land to enjoy a fabulous cupcake! I do hope you will be able to join us to honour Mary in this way. We would be very appreciative of donations of cupcakes for this occasion, so if you are able to help, please could you let the office know - thank you.

### New School Lunches

We have had a very successful first week with children enjoying our new school lunches being cooked on site. A big thank you to Mrs Pearce for all her hard work in setting this up and to Sharon our Cook and Nicky her Assistant. If you would like your child to have a freshly cooked, nutritious school lunch, please order three weeks in advance using the menus and forms on the website or in the school office.

*It is important that all orders are received into the office on time - giving three weeks' notice to enable ingredients and produce to be ordered in advance. Next week is Week 3. If parents have only completed one form of 3 weeks, you are requested to urgently complete further forms for meals for your child for forthcoming weeks with necessary payment sent directly by BACs for KS2 children, ideally until 22<sup>nd</sup> July. We would not like any of our children to go hungry because deadlines have been inadvertently missed. Any questions, please contact the office and we will be happy to help.*

### Gymnastics Cancelled (11 June)

Apologies - Gymnastics Club is cancelled on Tuesday 11 June.

## In Class this Week

**St Anthony** – English - Poetry – Who has seen the wind? - Christina Rossetti  
Maths – Problem-solving to 10 and capacity  
RE - The Resurrection Story from Matthew

**St Aldhelm** – English – The Steadfast Soldier  
Maths – Properties of shape RE – Easter

**St Lawrence** – English – Information Book  
Maths – Perimeter and area RE – Easter

**St Francis** – English - Calligram Poetry  
Maths – Decimals and percentages RE – The Easter Story

**St Scholastica** – Mock SATs week – Punctuation and Grammar (PaG), Spelling, Reading Comprehension, Arithmetic & Reasoning (Maths).  
RE – Easter.

## Class Attendance

St Anthony - 94.6%	St Lawrence - 94.7%
St Aldhelm - 96.7%	St Francis - 97.1%
	St Scholastica - 95.9%

## Minecraft & Art Clubs with Isaac

To secure your child's place in these after-school clubs, please return your slips with payment as soon as possible.

## Messages from Mr Dawson

Thank you to parents for providing all the **healthier snacks** we are now seeing in school. This is very positive and there has been a marked difference with lots of healthy eating. A reminder that raw fruit/vegetables only should be provided at break-time with no chocolate or sweets on the playground at the end of school please.

There are limited spaces in some clubs - see me if interested. Please note that **Parents' Evenings** for my class will take place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. **Y5/Y6 Football Club** will continue to be postponed on Tuesday afternoons. Y5/Y6 pupils can join the Advanced Sport Coaching Football Club on Thursdays 3.30-4.15pm. **Forest School** is postponed until further notice - apologies to those classes who have not had any sessions yet - I aim to ensure they have some before the end of the school year.

## Braeside & Kilvrough Balances Due Please

Y3 Braeside balance of **£100** is due by 17<sup>th</sup> June.  
Y6 Kilvrough Manor balance of **£130** is due by 1<sup>st</sup> June.  
Some of you have different balances owing due to instalment payments, so do come into the office if you need to check. We would appreciate settlement by these dates as we need to confirm numbers and settle our accounts. Thank you.

## Parent Volunteers

Thank you to all parents who have come forward to be volunteers when needed in school, class trips and off-site excursions. If any other parent is currently volunteering or would like to be a volunteer helper and has not been in to see Mrs Pearce in the school office to discuss DBS security checks, please do so ASAP.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Diary Dates (updated on website on Tuesdays)

#### April 2019

**Tues 30 April & Thurs 2 May** - St Scholastica Parents eves

#### May 2019

**Friday 3 May 12.30pm** Y3 & Y4 Tennis Tournament (4 pupils)

**Monday 6 May** – Bank Holiday – no school

**Friday 10 May 12.30pm** Y5&Y6 Tennis Tournament (4 pupils)

**Mon 13 – Thurs 16 May** – Y6 SATs week

**Friday 17 May 2pm** – May Procession – School, Church, Land

**Half Term** Monday 27 – Friday 31 May

#### June 2019

**Monday 3 June** – back to school

**Tues 4 June** – St Anthony class trip to Burford Wildlife Park

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

**Tues 11 June** – Miss Emma's Gymnastics Club cancelled

**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

**26 July – 30 August** - SUMMER HOLIDAYS

**September 2019** **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2019** – Back to school

**Monday 2 – Friday 6 Sept** – New Y6s Residential Trip to Kilvrough Manor

**Monday 9 September** – Reception children to start school

**Provisional TD Days for 2019-2020 – to be confirmed**

**21, 22, 23 October 2019**

**24, 25 February 2020**

## School Uniform

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 takes place this term when winter or summer uniform may be worn. Please remember that hair touching shoulders should be tied back and children should look tidy at all times.

## First Holy Communion

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019** at 10.30am. More details to follow.

## 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. Thurs football finishes 4.15.

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	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

## Modern Jazz Dance Club

Modern Jazz Dance classes will be available for children from Y2 to Y6 starting on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:purkessc@aol.com) or 01666 825802 / 07894 710411.

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019. As always, we welcome all Y6 parents to join us for this very special day. We will issue more details shortly.

## St Anthony Trip - Burford Wildlife Park

Tuesday 4 June. Letters have been sent home with details.

## 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](http://www.st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk) /Our School / Admissions / Admission Policy 2020-2021.