

Our learning gem this term is Topaz which represents **RESPECT**

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury

Newsletter 31

Monday 13th May 2019



THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

From Mrs Wood

As many of you will know, it is SATs week this week for Y6. The children are well prepared and know exactly what to expect. I would however ask, that in order for them to be as prepared as they can be each day, that they come to school on time and having had a good night's sleep and breakfast. This will ensure the smoothest running of the week for them all.

Y2 are also sitting their SATs papers from this week. Children are used to sitting end of term tests and these are being conducted in the same way. We have not made huge reference to them as it is important that children approach them in a calm and relaxed manner. It would however be helpful if they too come in refreshed and ready!

May Procession - Cakes please!

We welcome you all to our May Procession, to be held on Friday 17 May. The service will start in school at 2pm and 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 to 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 appreciative of donations of cupcakes for this occasion; if you are able to help, please could you let the office know - thank you. Children will be free to be released to parents to go home after the celebration.

DBS - Urgent - Parent Volunteers

Thank you to all parents who have come forward as volunteers when needed in school, for 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 check if your DBS is current, please do so ASAP.**

School Lunches

Deadline for meal orders for w/c 20th May is now closed.
Deadline for meals w/c 3rd June is 20th May.

It is important that future orders are received on time, giving two weeks' notice, to enable ingredients & produce to be ordered in advance. 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 25th July.

In Class this Week

St Anthony -

English - Postcards about the weather

Maths - Doubling and halving

RE - Easter symbols

St Aldhelm - Engage Week: The Grand Old Duke of York needs recruits for his marching band... and he's chosen you! You'll need enough puff to walk all the way up to the top of the hill and march back down again. Can you march in a nice, smart line to a steady beat? Let's make the Duke's marching band a bigger success than his army!

RE - Easter

St Lawrence - English - Fact Files

Maths - Adding and subtracting fractions

RE - Easter

St Francis - English - explanation texts continued from last week

Maths -

RE - Easter Vigil

St Scholastica - Y6 SATs week

RE - Easter

Class Attendance

St Anthony - 95.0%

St Lawrence - 94.8%

St Aldhelm - 96.7%

St Francis - 96.9%

St Scholastica - 96.2%

Mass Cancelled - 11th June

Apologies but the Whole School Mass on Tuesday 11th June has to be postponed. We will inform you of the new date once it has been rearranged.

St Anthony Trip - Burford Wildlife Park

Tuesday 4 June. Please make your payment of £21.50 and return the slip by Mon 20 May. This will be a lovely trip after a busy year.

Request: Residential Trip Volunteers

Further to my recent request, please can any volunteer parents talk to Mrs Wood if they would like to come with us on our Y3 Residential to Braeside (not a parent of a Y3) or on our Y6 Residential to Kilvrough Manor (not a parent of a Y6). If you are able to volunteer to go to Braeside on only one or two days, this would be fine. We look forward to hearing from you.

Braeside & Kilvrough Manor Balances & Medical Forms Due Please

Y3 BRAESIDE balance of £100 is due by 17th June.
Y6 KILVROUGH MANOR balance of £230 is due by 1st June
Some of you owe different balances due to instalment payments, so do please contact the office if you need to check. We would appreciate payment by these dates as we need to confirm numbers and settle our accounts.
Residential Medical Forms have been given to the children participating in these trips - please can these be completed and sent back into school by Friday 24th May.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Diary Dates (updated on website on Tuesdays)

May 2019

Mon 13 – Thurs 16 May – Y6 & Y2 SATs week
Friday 17 May 2pm – May Procession – School, Church, Land
Tuesday 21 May – Futsal Tournament
Thursday 23 May – Mrs Fitch's last day
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 - **Cancelled - TO BE RE-ARRANGED**

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 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 2nd Sept 2019 - Back to school

Monday 2 – Friday 6 Sept – New Y6s Residential Trip to Kilvrough Manor, South Wales
Monday 9 September – Reception children to start school
TD Days for 2019-2020 – confirmed

21, 22, 23 October 2019 **24, 25 February 2020**

Message from Mr Dawson

Thanks again to all for supporting healthy eating with raw fruit and vegetables at break-time. Please remember that sweets, fizzy drinks, chocolate and other unhealthy snacks should not be brought onto the playground before school, at the end of the school day or after any clubs. Your support is much appreciated!

Learning Gem - Topaz

RESPECT: Treating others the way you want to be treated.
 Showing kindness and consideration.
 Liking yourself enough to be yourself.
 Accepting others for who they are.

Admissions Policy

Our School Admissions Policy is updated; school noticeboard & visit our website: www.st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk /Our School / Admissions / Admission Policy 2020-2021.

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 are available this term for Y2-Y6 children from. Classes run every Tuesday lunchtime for 10 weeks; the course costs £22.50 per child. For 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.

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. A letter will be sent home in the next few weeks with further details.

Youth Group

The remaining sessions for this academic year will be Friday 7th June and Friday 5th July in the school hall 6.30-8.30pm.

TD Days 2019-2020

Dates are now confirmed for next year's TD/Inset days. They are: **21, 22, 23 October 2019 & 24, 25 February 2020.**