

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

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury

Newsletter 32

Monday 20th May 2019



Apologies but Dance Club is cancelled today.

THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

From Mrs Wood

Thank you to all those who came to our May Procession on Friday. It was a lovely celebration and it really was fantastic to see so many parents there as well. I am very grateful for all the donations of cakes which were absolutely delicious - everyone was completely spoilt for choice! Thank you so much to Theresa Adams for all the beautiful flowers. I would also like to say a special thanks to Elena Stevens for stepping in and playing the piano so beautifully for us in the absence of Mrs Cambray-Smith.

I would like to congratulate all our Year 2 Secret Agents on their completion of the secret mission! Brilliantly accomplished! Also to Year 6 for their incredible conduct throughout their SATs last week - you did yourselves, the school and your parents proud.

Finally, I would like to say a final farewell to Mrs Wanda Fitch, who as you know, will be retiring, with her last school day being Thursday 23rd May. She will be sorely missed as she is truly at the heart of the school and has been passionate about teaching, supporting and guiding children in all year groups, throughout her time here. There really are so many pupils, past and present, who just wouldn't have achieved what they have without her love and guidance. Having worked as a TA, she has worked with each and every teacher at some point or another, and with her knowledge, passion, commitment, flexibility and great sense of humour, it has been a complete privilege for us all. Wanda is best known for her artistic talents as well as her enviable sense of style, and has inspired so many of us, children and adults alike, to discover hidden artistic skills we never knew we had! We are all going to miss her terribly but wish her every happiness for the next exciting chapter in her life and I am sure you will all like to join me, as I say a huge and heart-felt 'Thank you' to her for all that she has done for the St Joseph's community.

I hope you will all enjoy a relaxing and happy half-term week.

School Lunches

Deadline for meal orders for w/c 3rd June is now closed.

Deadline for meals w/c 10th June is Friday 24th 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 completed only 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. Any queries, please do contact the school office.

In Class this Week

St Anthony -

English - Instruction writing.

Maths - Measuring rain gauges. Partitioning into 3 equal groups.

RE - Hinduism - listening and responding to stories of Ramayana.

St Aldhelm -

English - Invitations.

Maths - Fractions.

RE - Hinduism.

St Lawrence -

English - Fact files continued.

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Maths - Adding and subtracting

RE - Hinduism.

St Francis -

English - Myths and legends.

Maths - Innovate Week.

RE - Hinduism.

St Scholastica -

English - 'The Dreadful Menace' - Formal v Informal Writing.

Maths - Problem-solving.

RE - Hinduism.

Look out for letter this week about our class trip next term!

Y6 Leavers' Mass

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 to parents this week with the details.

St Anthony Trip - Burford Wildlife Park URGENT - slips & payment - URGENT

Tuesday 4 June. Please make your payment of £21.50 and return the slip by **TODAY - Mon 20 May**. This will be a lovely trip after a busy year. The trip may need to be cancelled if we do not have any volunteer parents and if you do not send your payment and consent form (attached to the letter). Thank you

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.

Y5/Y6 Futsal Festival - Tues 21 May

Good luck to the Y5 and Y6 children participating in this festival tomorrow afternoon. This promises to be a very exciting event. All details regarding this are on Mr Dawson's letter which was sent out last week.

Class Attendance

St Anthony - 95.2%	St Lawrence - 95.3%
St Aldhelm - 96.8%	St Francis - 96.9%
	St Scholastica - 96.3%

GENERAL INFORMATION

Diary Dates (updated on website on Tuesdays)

May 2019

Tuesday 21 May 12.20pm – Y5/Y6 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** will be rearranged

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; bring picnics to eat on St Joseph's land & early finish 1pm (hot school lunches will not be available on this day)

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

Mon 2 – Fri 6 Sept – Y6 Residential Trip, Kilvrough Manor

Monday 9 September – Reception children to start school

TD/Inset Days for 2019-2020

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

– children are not required in school.

Healthy Eating 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. Healthy eating also applies to trips and tournaments off site. 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 Finish 4.15pm	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

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.

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.

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.