

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 12

### 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018



## THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

### From Mrs Wood

Request for helpers! I would be really grateful if a few parents would be able to come in to school on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December from 12 until 1.30pm to help us! We are having a staff Christmas lunch and I would very much like our MDSA's to attend, so I am looking for some parents who would be prepared to help at lunchtime, in the dining room and on the playground. If you are able to, please could you let me know as soon as possible. Thank you so much - I might even be able to rustle up a few mince pies for your troubles!!! Please may I also remind all parents to ensure children wear warm coats to school (not hoody) as it can be very cold on the playground.

### Weekly Attendance

St Anthony - 94.6%	St Lawrence - 94.4%
St Aldhelm - 96.8%	St Francis - 98.3%
	St Scholastica - 95.6%

### Christmas Jumper Day

Wear your Christmas Jumper on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December and donate £1 for Christmas art resources.

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

#### November 2018

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.30pm** – Whole school Mass led by St Francis Class – in Church

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Chaplaincy Mass, Clifton Cathedral

#### December 2018

**Sat 1 Dec 11am-1.30pm** Christmas Bazaar

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> December** – Y5/Y6 Football Tournament - TBC

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Y5/6 Netball Festival – letters have been sent out (Rescheduled from 21 Nov)

**Tuesday 11 December 2pm & 6pm** – Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity at school

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> December 6pm** – KS2 Carols by Candlelight in Church – followed by mulled wine and mince pies

**Thursday 13 Dec** – End of term exhibitions in all classes

**Friday 14 Dec 2.30pm** – Piano Concert – Parents of pupils involved are very welcome.

**Friday 14 Dec** – End of term reports out to parents

**Thursday 20 Dec** – Christmas Party for pupils (lunch provided by the PFA: school meals will be cancelled)

**Friday 21 December** – Mass in church. **Last day of term pupils finish at 1pm.**

**Christmas Holiday** Return to school **Tues 8 January**

**TD/Inset Days** (children not required in school)

**Monday 7 January 2019**      **Monday 25 February 2019**

**Monday 24 June 2019**

## In Class this Week

### St Anthony –

Phonics – oo, OO

Writing – Squirrel's Busy Day

Maths - Adding more

RE – Writing a Prayer

### St Aldhelm –

English - The Tiger Who Came To Tea

Maths - Addition and Subtraction

RE – Prayers, Saints and Feasts

### St Lawrence –

English – Character Profiles

Maths – Subtract 3-digits from 3-digits – no exchange /

Subtract two 4-digit numbers – one exchange

RE – Relate the words of the Hail Mary to scripture

### St Francis –

English – Writing signs and emails

Maths – Multiplication and division

RE – Advent

### St Scholastica –

English – Instructions – Mayan Ball Games

Maths – Fractions - Add, subtract, multiply and divide -

RE – Advent

## Messages from Mr Dawson

### FOREST SCHOOL:

St Francis - Fri 9, 16, 23 (cancelled), 30 Nov, 7 Dec.

St Lawrence - Friday 11, 18, 25 January, 1, 8 February.

St Aldhelm - Friday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March.

St Anthony - Friday 26 April, 3, 10, 17, 24 May.

Suitable outdoor clothes and footwear please.

**MULTI-SPORTS CLUB CANCELLED Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November** - this is because the hall is needed for Bazaar set-up.

**Y5/Y6 NETBALL FESTIVAL:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at Malmesbury Secondary School 1.30 - 4pm. A letter has been sent out with the children. We would appreciate forms to be completed and returned by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

## Choir

Our School Choir will be performing on the following dates:  
 Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December - School Christmas Bazaar 12.50pm  
 Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Athelstan House - 2pm  
 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Burnham Court - 2pm  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec - Lunch Club, Town Hall - 12.30pm

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### PFA Corner

**PFA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR Sat 1<sup>st</sup> December 11am-1.30pm**

**Raffle Ticket Books** - please keep trying to sell as many raffle tickets as possible. Spare books can be collected from the School Office. Remember, there are some great prizes on offer and a £5 book token for the individual who sells the most books.

**Auction of Promises** - This is LIVE online, but bids have been slow. Please take a look at what's on offer as there are some great gifts to be had. Look at the school website under the header 'PFA Events'. Don't forget you can collect Bid Forms from the School Office.

**Toys & Books** - Thank you for all the donations so far. We've had loads, but keep checking and bringing them in.

**Class Gifts** - Please could you see if you can donate anything to support the Class Gifts from the children for the stalls.

**Stall Volunteers** - We still need volunteers to help run some of the stalls, so if you can spare an hour, please could you put your name forward to volunteer.

**Cakes** - Everyone loves cake!! But we need your pledge to bake a cake for the Cake Stall. Please, if you can, let the organisers know or just bring a cake along on the day.

**It's this Saturday!** We are looking forward to seeing you at this fantastic event, raising funds for our school!

**QUIZ NIGHT** - May we take this opportunity to thank everyone for supporting our Quiz Night! An extra special 'Thank you' to Matt Morris and Katherine Bailes, our quiz masters and to everyone who worked so tirelessly behind the scenes. A great night was had by all and we are extremely pleased to announce that a grand total of £774.23 was raised! Thank you once again for your ongoing support in helping to raise funds for St Joseph's.

### Applications for Reception 2019

A **REMINDER** to all parents of children at St Joseph's who have younger siblings wishing to start in reception in September 2019. The deadline is **15 January 2019**.

### Medical Forms - New System

Thank you to all parents who have returned completed medical forms for their children for trips off site for this academic year. **Any forms not received, children will not be permitted to participate in trips, so those of you who have not returned them, please do so urgently.**

### We are a Nut-Free School

Please note that we are a nut-free school. Nuts and products containing nuts are not permitted in school as we have some children and adults who have nut allergies.

## Sports/Health & Fitness Clubs

All these great clubs take place after school 3.30-4.30pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.30pm.

MONDAY	DANCE	HALL - MISS EMMA	Reception to Year 6
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
TUESDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND - MR DAWSON	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
FRIDAY	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY	TAG RUGBY	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6

## Chinese, Art & Minecraft Clubs

MONDAY	CHINESE	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
THURSDAY	Y1-Y6 MINECRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Y1-Y6 ART & CRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm

## Choir

Mrs Cambray-Smith's Choir group is for all children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - school hall Wednesdays 12.00-12.30.

## Modern Jazz Dance Club

Modern Jazz Dance classes are available for children from Y2 to Y6, starting 25<sup>th</sup> September. Classes run Tuesday lunchtimes. Contact Nikki Purkess: [purkessc@aol.com](mailto:purkessc@aol.com) or telephone 01666 825802 / 07894 710411.

## Piano Concert

There will be a piano concert in the school hall for all parents of children who have piano lessons with Elena Stevens. This will be Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2.30 - 3pm.

## 2019 Y3 Residential Trip

Y3 - Braeside, Devizes - provisionally booked - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> until Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019. The cost is likely to be £155 per child for the 3 days. More updates in due course.

## 2019 Y6 Kilvrough Manor Residential

A letter has been sent out to Y6 parents with details about the trip next September (2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>). We would like confirmation from parents that they are happy for their child to participate and we request the **deposit of £100 to be paid by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019**. Thank you.