

**THIS IS WEEK 1
FOR HOT
SCHOOL
LUNCHES**

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury

Newsletter 4

Tuesday 24th September 2019



**THURSDAY FOOTBALL
CLUB IS CANCELLED
THIS WEEK**

THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

From Mrs Woods

I am so very proud of the whole of St Joseph's School; we have been working on 'walking in the footsteps of Jesus' and showing respect for our environment and each other so that we endeavour to live out our faith in all we do and say. This was evident for St Aldhelm Class, who were fabulous ambassadors for the school on their class trip to Bristol. Miss Just was incredibly proud of the whole class and they all enjoyed their adventure!

Annual Medical Form - return asap

Please ensure you have completed a medical form for your child, which will be held securely in the school office and used for trips and off-site visits. Forms are on the website and on the desk in the school office so if you haven't already actioned, please do so as a matter of **urgency**. If we do not have a form for your child, we regret we will not be permitted to let them go on class trips.

School Lunches

Deadline for meal orders for w/c 7th October is now closed
Deadline for ordering meals w/c 14th October is
Monday 30th September

Menus and order forms can be found on the website and on the desk in the school office. Please always give the office at least **two weeks' notice** to enable ingredients to be ordered in time. If you would like to repeat your three week order for the rest of term, please tick the box on the form.

Request for Apples & Pears!

If anyone has any surplus pears or cooking apples in their garden, Mrs Pearce would be very grateful if you could bring them into school so the kitchen can use them in fruit crumble for school lunches. Thank you!

PFA AGM & Book at Bedtime - postponed PFA Christmas Bazaar - date change

Please accept our sincere apologies but we have had to postpone the Book at Bedtime and AGM due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control. We will aim to have a new date before half-term and will let you know asap. Please reassure your children the event will still go ahead as we know how much it means to them. Also, the Christmas Bazaar date has changed from Saturday 30 November to the new date of Saturday 7th December (at school).

St Francis Class Trip

St Francis Class trip to Bath Children's Literature Festival will be on Friday 4th October. Letters have been sent out and we request forms and payments to be in please by Friday 27th September.

Nasal Flu Spray

Free nasal flu spray appointments with the school nurse are scheduled for all years, Reception to Y6, on Wednesday 9th October here at school. For further information, please access:
<https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2019/wilts>

In Class this Week

St Anthony – Maths: Number bonds to 10 and 20 English: Sequences	RE: Jesus is the Good Shepherd
St Aldhelm – Maths: Partitioning English: Writing dinosaur stories	RE: Creation
St Lawrence – Maths: Place value English: Riddles	RE: Creation
St Francis – Maths: Place value English: Reports and advertisements	RE: Creation
St Scholastica - Maths: Negative numbers English: Non-chronological reports	RE: Creation

Class Attendance

St Anthony - 99.3%	St Lawrence - 98.4%
St Aldhelm - 97.1%	St Francis - 98.6%
	St Scholastica - 97.0%

Forest School

Forest School with Mr Dawson for St Scholastica Class will take place every Friday afternoon after lunch until half-term. Please ensure your child brings appropriate old clothes and shoes/wellies on Fridays - activities can involve getting very muddy!

Father Martin's Farewell Celebrations

Everyone is warmly invited to Mass at 6.30pm at St Aldhelm's church followed by a party in St Joseph's School Hall. If possible, please RSVP to Ann Roberts-Phare: arphare@aol.com Thank you in advance to Mrs Cambray-Smith and the choir who will be singing during the party - choir please arrive at school at 7.30pm.

Piano Lessons with Elena Stevens

Elena Stevens, our piano teacher, has spaces for piano lessons in school this term. If your child is interested, please contact her on 07764 582683 or email her on elenastevens.home@gmail.com

Prompt Drop-Off and Collection

A reminder for parents: Gate opens in the mornings at 8.35am and closes at 8.50am. Therefore please drop your child between these times. In the afternoons the gate opens at 3.10pm. Once you have collected your child, it would be appreciated if you could exit the premises promptly to enable sports clubs to start and so that staff can address other school business. Thank you.

PFA Quiz Night

We are pleased to announce that this year's popular Quiz Night will be on Friday 4th October in the school hall. Tickets are £5 and available from the school office, PFA members and on the playground after school. See noticeboard for more details.

Open Day - Thursday 3rd October

We will soon be having our next Open Day for prospective new families - tours start at 9.30am, 11.15am and 1.30pm. Please contact the office if you'd like to come on a different day.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Diary Dates

September 2019

Saturday 28 Sept – Father Martin's Farewell Celebration – Mass in church 6.30pm followed by party in the school hall

October 2019

Thursday 3 October – Open Day

Thursday 3 October – 'Build a Burger' themed lunch

Friday 4 October – St Francis class trip to Bath

Friday 4 October 7.30pm – PFA Quiz Night – School Hall

Wednesday 9 Oct 2pm - DATE CHANGE – Harvest Festival

Thursday 10 October – School photographer (individuals)

Friday 11 October 6.30-8.30pm – Youth Group – school hall

Monday 14 October 1.30pm – Whole school Mass in church – St Scholastica to lead

15 & 17 Oct – NO Parents' Evenings - see new Nov dates

Thurs 31 Oct – deadline application secondary school places

TD Days 2019-2020: Children not required in school - 21, 22, 23 October 2019 & 24, 25 February 2020

Half Term Thursday 24 October – Friday 1st November 2019 (back to school Monday 4th November 2020)

November 2019

Tues 5 & Thurs 7 Nov – DATE CHANGE – Parents Evenings

Friday 8 November 6.30-8.30pm – Youth Group – school hall

Monday 25 November 1.30pm – Whole School Mass in church – St Francis to lead

December 2019

Saturday 7 December – DATE CHANGE – Christmas Bazaar

Wed 11 December 2pm & 6pm – Reception & KS1 Nativity

Fri 13 December 6.30-8.30pm – Youth Group – school hall

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January (back to school

Monday 6 January 2020)

January 2020 Wednesday 15 January – deadline for application for primary school places

Friday 24 January 6.30-8.30pm – Youth Group – school hall

Applications for Reception for Sept 2020

If anyone would like to apply for a place in Reception for their child starting next September, the deadline is midnight on Wednesday 15th January 2020. Please apply online at www.wiltshire.gov.uk and also complete the St Joseph's supplementary form on the website; copies also in the office.

School Communications

Please be reminded to regularly check for Class DOJO and email messages with regard to school notifications and activities - also the weekly school newsletter, noticeboards, facebook and website. If you ever have any queries about anything please don't hesitate to contact us - 01666 822331.

DBS – Parent Volunteers

If there are any parents who would like to help with class trips, reading with children or helping in other ways at school, please come into the school office and speak to Mrs Pearce so that she can check if your DBS is current. If it is not, then she can apply for one for you. It is essential that all adults working with children are DBS checked. We may have to refuse kind offers of help with trips if parents are not DBS checked. Thank you.

Sports/Fitness Clubs

Please see the letter which Mr Dawson has issued. To request a place at a club you will need to email him the name of your child, their year group and list of clubs they would like to attend (in order of priority) on john@st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk If you have any questions about any clubs, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Mr Dawson.

Most clubs are after school: 3.30-4.30pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.30pm. Thursday football and dodgeball finish 4.15pm.

MONDAY	DANCE	HALL - MISS EMMA	Reception to Year 6
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y3 & Y4
WEDNESDAY	NETBALL	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	DODGEBALL Finish 4.15pm	HALL - ASC	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	FOOTBALL Finish 4.15pm	PLAYGROUND -ASC	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
FRIDAY	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY	HOCKEY	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6

Other Clubs

WEDNESDAY	KS2 CHOIR Y3-Y6 Mrs CambraySmith	Hall	12- 12.30pm
THURSDAY	Y1-Y6 Isaac Owen MINECRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Y1-Y6 Isaac Owen ART & CRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm

Hygiene and Cleanliness

Could parents please remind children about washing their hands thoroughly after going to the toilet and before eating.

Aldi Sports Stickers

Mrs Butt asks if anyone is shopping in Aldi, please could you collect the school sports stickers and bring them in to your class teacher or the school office. Thank you!

Lost Property/Uniform

It is important that all school uniform, coats, PE kits, shoes, etc, are clearly labelled with your child's name. Unlabelled and unclaimed items can only be held in school for a week.

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Breakfast, After-School & Holiday Club

If you would like a place for your child, please contact Karen on 07733 068519. All welcome at this relaxing and happy club which takes place on site.

Tuck Shop – Friday break-times

Tuck Shop is now up and running - this is a great chance for children to practise their Maths. A maximum of 50p can be brought into school per child.