



NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 10th December 2020



The Christmas countdown is definitely upon us! May I remind you that we have the Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity which I have yet to catch a glimpse of!. This will be recorded and sent to you at the end of term as a link! I cant wait to see it! Do look out for the email with the link.

We will also have our Christmas Mass held in St Aldhelms church with the St Scholastica bubble leading the prayers. All will be able to join in with the live stream from the link below on Friday 18th December at 10am.

As we welcome back our two bubbles from isolation tomorrow, may I reach out and say a HUGE.....THANK YOU, to all the parents, children and staff for playing their part in keeping us all safe and well and protecting our community. I look forward to seeing you all back in school tomorrow!

Thank you so much for the children's contribution to The Big Malmesbury Christmas Get Together, they were great! Whilst the 'virtual' event was live streamed on 28th November, it is now available to watch on Malmesbury Town Council's Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B1Wfbf6uCk> should you wish to view it again.

Looking forward to the start of term 3, we have adjusted the timings of the day. This is due to the speed and efficiency of the drop off and pick up, along with the fact that we are no longer taking the children's temperature on the gate. Here are a few reminders for the start of term 3.

- ⇒ **Please can you ensure that your child is on time, as they will not be able to join in with another bubble.**
- ⇒ **Children do not need to bring a rucksack or large bag into school.**
- ⇒ **If you have been asked to isolate, this means the isolating child does not leave the house at all, (unless they remain in their own car without other families/bubbles in the car).**

Start and End of the day amended for Key Stage 2 starting January 2021 – Term 3.

Start Date	St Scholastica Church	St Francis Church	St Lawrence Church	St Anthony Front Gate	St Aldhelms Front Gate	Cross Key Stage Families Front Gate
Start time	8.30 – 8.35	8.45 – 8.50	8.55-9.00	9.00-9.05	8.45-8.50	8.50-8.55
Pick up times	2.50-2.55	3.05-3.10	3.15-3.20	3.10-3.15	2.50-2.55	3.00-3.05

The last day of term is Friday 18th December at the following times:

St Scholastica – 1.00 – 1.05pm at the LIBRARY CAR PARK
 St Francis – 1.10 – 1.15pm at The LIBRARY CAR PARK
 St Lawrence – 1.30 AT THE SCHOOL MAIN GATE
 St Aldhelms - 1.00 – 1.05pm at the Main Gate
 Family Groups – 1.10 – 1.15pm at the Main Gate
 St Anthony – 1.20 – 1.25pm at the Main Gate

WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS, LOVING AND SERVING TOGETHER

In Class This Week

St Anthony

We will be filming the Nativity next week. You will get a link on Dojo so that you can watch it.

St Aldhelm

Writing: Whole School Writing Assessment

Maths: Year 1 – Consolidation and assessment week

Year 2 - Consolidation and assessment week

RE: Advent – To know what a Santon is and why they are used.

To know what Bambinelli Sunday is and what meaning it holds.

St Lawrence

English - A star in the Jar, narrative

Maths - addition and subtraction and assessment

R.E: Prayers and Saints

St Francis

Maths: area & The Christmas Escape Room Puzzle.

English: Independent mystery narrative writing.

RE: Advent & Understanding the Mass.

Have a healthy & happy Christmas everyone!

St Scholastica

English - Letters - Independent writing

Maths - Geometry, position and direction

RE - Advent

Weekly Message from Pope Francis



'The Child Jesus reveals the tenderness of God's immense love surrounding each one of us.'

Please take a moment to follow the Wednesday Word link below...

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/kindness?pid=MTA101634&v=10.10>

Weekly Attendance 30th Nov—4th Dec 2020

St Anthony 93.1%

St Lawrence 100%

St Francis 93.6%

St Aldhelm 97.7%

St Scholastica 98.7%

Christmas Cards in school.

Due to the Covid situation, we have decided that we will not be sharing Christmas Cards in school this year. Thank you for your understanding

Dear Parents and Carers,

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Malmesbury

The following have been nominated for election as parent governor

Rachel Copeland

As the number of those nominated does not exceed the number of vacancies, I declare Rachel Copeland duly appointed. As this is a re-election Rachel Copeland's 4 year term of office will run on from her current term and will run from 07/01/2021-06/01/2025.

The Chair of Governors, Gregory Fauvarque, would like to extend his thanks to Rachel for all of her hard work on behalf of the school, and the Governing Board is grateful for her willingness to play an active part in supporting the work of the school.

Yours sincerely,

Nicki Warne

Clerk to Governors

STAFF VACANCY AT MALMESBURY SCHOOL

Science Technician role here at Malmesbury School are looking for someone to join our team of lovely Science technicians. It is a full time role, however we would happily consider a job share as long as we can cover the full time position.

The detail of the vacancy is (in its basic form)

Science Technician

NJC Salary Scale point 5-8 (£19,213-£20,493 pro rata)

8.30am – 4.30pm Mon – Thurs

8.30am – 4.00pm Friday

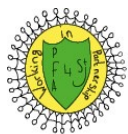
37 hours per week

Term time 38 weeks (no TD Days)

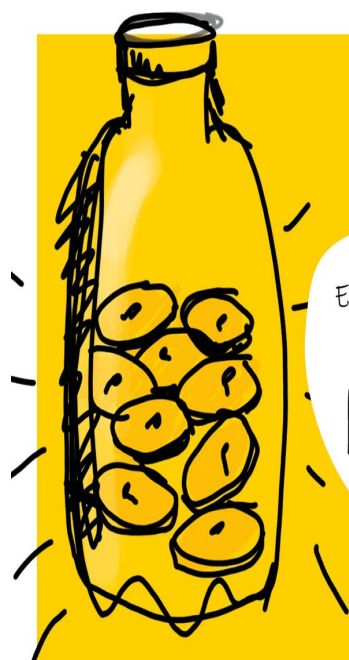
Start date: ASAP

Please contact Malmesbury School for further information on this post

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PFA Corner



PENNY CHALLENGE

Every child has been given a water bottle with the challenge to...

Drink up your water,

FILL YOUR BOTTLE UP WITH AS MANY COINS AS POSSIBLE

By the 8th of February,

however full your bottle is, seal it up, clearly mark it with your name and class, and bring it back to school.

When you return your bottle you will be entered into a prize draw to win a hot chocolate voucher from Coffee#1. Decorate your bottle to stand a chance to win a prize too!



smile

With your support over the last four months, the PFA have raised:

The big PTA raffle 2020	£78.00
Partylite by Jo	£50.70
easyfundraising	£38.37 (in the last 30 days - 10 new supporters!)
AmazonSmiles	£24.61 (Q3)
Cauliflower Cards	£150.50
Odd Socks day	£92.86
Pumpkin Carving	£40.00
Malmesbury Carnival Grant	£250
	£693.59



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Parents and Friends Association
Registered Charity No: 1145152

THANK YOU!

Helping Your Child to Manage Anxiety

Tummy aches, Tears, Tantrums

(Yours or your child's)

5 weeks

30 minutes a week via Zoom

MONDAYS

11:00 – 11:30

The sessions will start Monday 11th January

or

TUESDAYS

9:30 – 10:00

The sessions will start Tuesday 12th January

The weekly topic will be the same for each Monday and Tuesday.
Join the one that is convenient.

Anxiety is a growing concern for many young people who are trying to make sense of the many issues that affect their lives and over which they feel little control. It is a real, personal, manageable and, possibly, positive emotional and physical aspect of their lives. Join us to identify and build coping skills, and to recognise the positive aspects of anxiety.

No childcare needed, no travelling and no parking problems; just you, your cuppa and a friendly space.

To register your interest and receive the Zoom Link and Materials,
Please contact your school admin. office
or

Terry Jones, PSA 0787 6201021

terryjones@malmesbury-pri.wilts.sch.uk

Please be sure to include your name, a contact number and the school your child attends.

Positive and Practical Parenting Tips

*To Manage Behaviour,
& an Introduction to Triple P*

5 weeks

45 minutes a week via Zoom Materials will be sent via email

TUESDAYS

10:30 – 11:15

Or

WEDNESDAYS

11:30 – 12:15

The sessions will start Tuesday 12th Jan. or Wednesday 13th Jan.

The Tues. and Wed. sessions will cover the same topic each week.

An excellent chance to refresh and regroup your skills and discuss the daily, joyful challenges that children bring to our lives and the anxiety and concerns that may colour your children's lives in The New Normal and how that affects their behaviour.

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Additional sessions will continue throughout the school year.