



# NEWSLETTER

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**Friday 1st October 2021**



As many of you will know we were very fortunate to be involved in the opening of the new Aldi store in Malmesbury. Our Head boy and girl joined the Olympian Anna Watkins in cutting the ribbon. Anna visited the school and carried out 2 assemblies for us where she shared her story. She was incredibly kind and allowed all the children to hold her Gold and Bronze medal and taught us how to row!

What an inspirational day we all experienced. The children were gripped in the assembly and asked a range of questions.

Before leaving Anna shared with me how impressed with how well behaved and delightful the children were....well done St Josephs!  
Mrs S Woods



## Diary Dates—Term 1

### October

- Friday 1st Design our stain glass window—deadline for entry
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> First Holy Communion – Breakfast
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Rags2Riches collection. Bags to be left by 9am**
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Harvest collection for The Filling Station Homeless
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival 1.30pm. Children only.  
We will video for parents.
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Rugby tournament Year 3 & 4 2.45pm-5.00pm Minety RFC
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Full uniform to be worn today. PE kits & Forest School kits to be in separate bag.
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> School photograph in school individuals, plus siblings
- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> First Holy Communion – Breakfast
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Whole school mass led by St Scholastica 10am  
Join us virtually by following this link  
<https://www.churchservices.tv/malmesbury>
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> PFA Annual General Meeting 8pm at Kings Arms
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Rugby tournament Year 5 & 6 2.45pm-5pm Minety RFC
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Open day for new prospective parents.  
9.30am, 11.30am and 1.30pm
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Staff Development Day. School closed for children
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Staff Development Day. School closed for children
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Staff Development Day. School closed for children
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> End of term 1.
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Deadline date to book school meals for week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> November

### November

- Monday 1st **Monday 1st—Term 2 Children return to school**  
Cauliflower Christmas Card design orders return to school



## Weekly Attendance Monday 13th—17th Sept

**St Anthony 97.3%**

**St Aldhelm 96.9%**

**St Lawrence 98.9%**

**St Francis 98.1%**

**St Scholastica 93.8%**

**WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS, LOVING AND SERVING TOGETHER**

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, MALMESBURY

**Our school is raising money by collecting reusable clothes.**

Please help us by donating your unwanted reusable clothes and accessories. Donated items become affordable clothing and accessories.

**WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING**

☒ Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing

☒ Paired Shoes and Footwear

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website [www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk](http://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk)

☒ Jewellery and Accessories

☒ Belts and Handbags



**WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

**POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES. PILLOWS, DUUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDs OR ANY UNIFORM**

Collection Date:

**TUESDAY 5TH OCTOBER**

Rag2riches will be collecting on the 6th.

Please remember - NO SCHOOL UNIFORMS.





**Our collection date is Tuesday 5th October. Bags need to be in school by 9am please.**

Please take a moment to check out what items are accepted and what are not. Please no:

Printed logo items  
Uniform  
Work wear  
Dirty underwear  
Old fashioned clothing  
Socks  
Stained or ripped clothing



### **School Photographer – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October. SMART SCHOOL UNIFORM TO BE WORN**

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October, we welcome the School Photographer to school. He will be taking individual portrait and family portraits. All children in school on 7<sup>th</sup> October will be invited to have their photograph taken. (If you do not wish your child to be included, please notify the office by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October).

Small photograph proofs are issued to families, and there is absolutely no obligation to make any purchase.

**We appreciate that your child may usually come to school wearing PE Kit or Forest School clothes, however for this day they will need to bring this change of clothing in a bag and arrive in school wearing their smart school uniform.**

We are able to offer early morning appointments from 8.30am for younger siblings to join a family portrait. If you would like an appointment please follow the link below to book your slot

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v\\_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKrDPRUMkY2RlRJlQwTkIyRTFKTUVTSFVQSzZUMy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKrDPRUMkY2RlRJlQwTkIyRTFKTUVTSFVQSzZUMy4u)

**Sibling photos**  
**WE WILL EMAIL YOU WITH AN APPOINTMENT TIME EARLY NEXT WEEK**

**We are collecting Harvest Gifts which will be given to THE FILLING STATION**, a charity for homeless people in Swindon. Gifts will need to be non-perishable and easy to open. A box will be left in the playground each day or children can pass to their class teachers!

Suggested gifts are:

Tinned food with ring pull - Peaches or Fruit, Baked beans with sausage, Rice Pudding, Tuna Chunks, Corned Beef, Soup, Baked Beans/Spaghetti/Ravioli. (Please no tinned vegetables or tinned tomatoes. Please think "Can I eat it now!")

Toiletries The life of most of the clients is such that they need everything, every week. Surprisingly, soap is one thing we don't need, as there is limited access to water to use it. We have listed some suggestions. Small and many is better than big, as they will get lost quickly!

Roll-on deodorant, Shampoo, Shaving cream, Loo rolls, Household candles

Please put yourself in the position of a person sleeping on the streets, or living in a bedsit with limited, if any, cooking facilities. Consider whether it can be eaten from the can, heated simply, and opened easily (ring pull).

Thank you for your support.



## Message from

Pope Francis: "Let's try to be open to God's word, and open to the Lord's surprises when he speaks to us"

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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/openness?pid=MTA101634&v=39.20>



**Ali Ferris**

## Wessex Dinosaurs

Ali is an ex-Malmesbury School student, and is now a warden at the Jurassic Coast Heritage Centre. She will introduce the dinosaurs of the Cretaceous Wessex including some of the largest predators to roam the earth.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October 3pm Rausing Building**

£4 Adult £2 Child

Tickets available from Malmesbury Town Hall or wessexweek.eventbrite.com (booking fee applies)

**wessexweek.eventbrite.com**



## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Admissions 2022 - OPEN DAY

**Tel: 01666 822331 to book**

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Visit our school website for more information.

**Weds 13th Oct. BOOK NOW!**  
**Tours at 9.30am, 11.00am & 1.15pm**



During this uncertain time prayer is more important than ever. All of the schools of the Diocese need our prayers and so each week we shall pray for different, specific schools and all that work and learn in them. Please try to spend some time, each week, thinking and praying for the schools

### **St Brendan's Sixth Form College St Joseph's Primary School, Bristol**

*Holy Spirit, be with the children of these schools we pray for this week.  
Bless them, their teachers and all who work at the school.  
Give strength and grace to their growth, wisdom and understanding to their search for knowledge and strength to continue to learn despite the difficulties.  
Thank you, Lord for the gifts that they all bring to their community.  
May everyone connected with the school remain safe and well.  
Amen*

## For the attention of all parents

**Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2022?**

**You must apply for a secondary school place**

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

**The deadline for applications is**

**12 midnight, 31 October 2021**

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire.

**Wiltshire Council**