



NEWSLETTER

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Friday 5th November 2021

Diary Dates—Term 2

November

- Monday 1st Poppy for Remembrance available to purchase. Minimum £1 for items or 50p for traditional poppy
- Thursday 11th Remembrance Day
- Monday 15th Kilvrough Residential Year 6 Departure 9.30am
- Monday 15th Odd Sock day. Anti-bullying awareness
- Tuesday 16th Parents evening appointments from 3.30 – 6pm (Not St Scholastica)
- Thursday 18th Parents evening appointments from 3.30-6pm (Not St Scholastica)
- Friday 19th Kilvrough Residential Y6. Return ETA 3.30pm
- Wednesday 24th Cross Country Festival Yr 3&4 and Yr 5&6 1.30-3.30pm Malmesbury School
- Thursday 25th Parents evening appointments from 3.30pm-6pm St Scholastica ONLY
- Friday 26th Flu nasal vaccinations Reception to Year 6
- Tuesday 30th Parents evening appointments from 3.30-6.00pm St Scholastica ONLY



It is so lovely to see everyone back at school, in the run up to Christmas.

We are so excited to have our Hot chocolate winners, enjoying a drink with me.....keep getting those golden tickets children and you could be next!

Mrs Woods



WE WILL REMEMBER

In the run up to **Remembrance day** on 11th November, our Year 6 children will be selling traditional poppies during the school day. We have a very small supply of wrist bands and small metal badges. We ask for a minimum donation of £1.50 for a metal badge, £1.00 for a wrist band and 50p for a traditional poppy. If you would like to donate more, that is of course very welcome.



Parents, do not forget that our Policies are found on our website. These are regularly reviewed and monitored by our Governing Body.



You will shortly receive an emailed link to invite you to book a **Parents' Evening Appointment.** Our new Online booking system through SchoolCloud has streamlined parent requests for appointments.

We would recommend that you make your booking as soon as possible in order to avoid disappointment for your selected date and time.



We will be marking Anti-bullying Week 2021 by taking part in a virtual anti-bullying session run by Richard from The Stay Safe Initiative. The children in Early Years and KS1 will learn to fully understand what bullying is, how it feels and what to do about it. Whilst children in KS2 will go further taking a full look into the world of bullying, everything from what it is, why it happens, the damage it can cause all the way through to how to deal with face to face bullying and how to get help. Children are also invited to wear their odd socks to school on Monday 15th November to celebrate the anti-bullying message that we are all different but all equal. We are asking for a voluntary £1.00 donation for our odd socks day towards PFA fund raising. A Parentpay item has been set to your account. Many thanks.

Nut free school.

It is important to remember we are a nut free school. This is due to serious allergies within the school community. Please do not bring nuts into to school, either at snack time or in lunch boxes. This includes cereal bars and alike. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas, Term Breaks, Easter, Summer...

THE HOLIDAYS!
Joyous Bliss or
Anxiety and Tears?

A session to address some of the issues that may be affecting your child,
With a few tips to help restore the Joy

Please join one (or both, if you want).

MONDAY, 15th November 11:15 – 12:00

OR

THURSDAY, 18th November 8:15PM – 9:00PM

The topic will be the same for Monday and Thursday.
Join the one, which is convenient.

No childcare, no travelling, no parking problems
Just you, a 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.

If you previously have joined any of the Zooms, you are welcome to pop into these sessions, or give me a shout to arrange a catch-up.

A Message from Pope Francis



"Life is a precious gift, but we realise this only when we give it to others"

Lots and lots of things to do in this weeks issue!

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/gift?>



PFA Volunteer Vacancy!

We are looking for an organised and energetic individual to take the Chair role of our PFA. The PFA offers an abundance of support and the school community is forever grateful. The successful candidate will work closely with the school to lead fund raising and social events. A full hand over will be given.

This is a fantastic opportunity, so please come and talk to us if you would like to take on this important role for our school.

Advance Notice for Children in Reception to Year 6

The School Nursing team will be visiting us on 26th November for **child Nasal Flu Vaccinations**.

Consent for this vaccination is completed online using a unique VirginCare link. This link is provide to us approximately 2 weeks prior to the vaccination date (around about 8th November). Parents will have only ONE week to provide or decline consent. If parent's miss this deadline, there will not be another opportunity during school hours and vaccinations will need to be booked via offsite catch up clinic hubs. Therefore we strongly suggest that you look out for the Virgin Care Link and compete consents as soon as it arrives to avoid disappointment.



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

Downside School, Stratton-on-the-Fosse
St Gregory's Catholic College, Bath

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