



# NEWSLETTER

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**16th December 2022**

## Diary Dates

### December

Friday 16th

Last date to book school packed lunch for St Anthony Class trip on 10th January

Friday 23rd

Book school meals for returning in Term 3. Please don't miss the booking deadline.

### January

Tuesday 3rd

Term 3. Children return to school

Friday 6th

3.20—4.20pm Gym Team commence 3 weeks routine practice 6th, 13th, 20th

Monday 9th

Afterschool Sports Clubs commence.

Tuesday 10th

St Anthony Class trip to Westonbirt

Tuesday 10th

St Francis commence 11 weeks of swimming

Sunday 15th

Deadline to apply for Reception school place

<https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>

Tuesday 24th

St Aldhelm Class trip to Bristol. More information to follow



What a busy and eventful term it has been! It has been wonderful to see the community in school for many events since September.

The 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations art exhibition was such fun, where many of you joined us for tea and cake whilst you shared with your child their wonderful commemorative plate. Congratulations to St Francis class for leading Mass for the whole school earlier on in the term, you were a credit to the school...WELL DONE!

The Winter Wonderland was a HUGE success and it was lovely to see so many of you there. Many thanks to the PFA for all their hard work, preparation and dedication to this festive event.

The EYFS and KS1 Nativity was so very special and we packed out the church with your support, the children very much enjoyed sharing their performance with their nearest and dearest. Finally the Carols by Candlelight added to our Christmas celebrations and it was fabulous to see children, staff, parishioners and past pupils sharing this event with us. Many thanks to Father Thomas and Deacon Steve for hosting us at the church during the season of advent.

Thank you to all the staff at school for all your hard work and dedication. Finally I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, may you enjoy the season with your friends and family and we look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**  
Mrs S Woods

Just a big thank you for all the support and help with the fair. We raised £2650.50

A huge thanks goes to everyone who came on the day and especially to all those that donated for our stalls and all the amazing volunteers who made it happen. It was a great success!!

*St Joseph's PFA*



## School admissions primary applications window closing soon

If you have a child that's due to start school in September 2023, you don't have long to get your application in.

**The application period for school admissions closes on 15 January 2023** for primary schools and infant to junior transfers.

The National Offer Day for school places for applications received before the deadline is 17 April 2023 for primary and junior places. Online applicants will receive the outcome of their application on National Offer Day.

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The **After School Sports Clubs Schedule** for Term 3 and 4 is now available on the school website and has been emailed home. Please follow the links below to request a space in afterschool sports clubs.

Permissions Link for **KS1 Children**

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v\\_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKRDPRUQk1JWU44VFVGQ0IUSVMwUk1YUkpRNTBNSy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKRDPRUQk1JWU44VFVGQ0IUSVMwUk1YUkpRNTBNSy4u)

Permissions Link for **KS2 Children**

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v\\_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKRDPRUNzYwNzBaMzlwNTRPRUpMNUJYUFg1REVTsy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qUd63v_Cn06ylzHuqyF9adaeChs51OZMhec7RAKRDPRUNzYwNzBaMzlwNTRPRUpMNUJYUFg1REVTsy4u)

**“The Birth of Jesus brings us the good news that we are loved immensely and uniquely by God.”**  
**Pope Francis**



follow the Wednesday Word link below...

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/christmas-holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&v=79.2>

**Weekly Attendance**  
**Monday 12th—Friday 16th**  
**December**

**St Anthony 87.8%**

**St Aldhelm 92%**

**St Lawrence 88.2%**

**St Francis 95%**

**St Scholastica 83.4%**