



# NEWSLETTER

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**Friday 24th February 2023**

## Diary Dates

### February

Monday 27th Piano Concert 2.30pm - Parents of piano students invited to attend

### March

Thursday 2nd World Book Day—Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Theme

**Tuesday 7th Rags2Riches—Bag drop off at school by 9am**

Wednesday 8th Hockey Tournament Y5 and 6 for selected team.

Monday 13th 3.00-4.00pm Coffee and Catch Up in the school hall—all welcome to join us

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Friday 17th Immersive Theatre Planetarium Dome visiting school for all classes.

£1.85 per child via ParentPay.

Friday 17th Reports available for signed collection.

Monday 20th Parents Evening appointments 3.30-6.30pm (Excluding St Aldhelm Class) Booking info to follow.

Monday 20th After school Sports Clubs cancelled due to Parents Evening

Tuesday 21st Whole School Mass—in the Church all welcome to attend

Tuesday 21st Parents Evening appointments 3.30-6.30pm St Aldhelm Class ONLY. Booking info to follow.

Thursday 23rd Parents Evening appointments 3.30-6.30pm all classes. Booking info to follow.

Tuesday 28th Stations of The Cross. 1.30pm all parents invited. Booking info to follow.

Wednesday 29th Year 3&4 Easter Production to Parents and family 1.30pm and 6.00pm performances.

Thursday 30th PFA EASTER EGG HUNT each class, during school hours. £1.50 per child via ParentPay

Friday 31st 10am Easter Mass—all welcome—venue The Church

Friday 31st End of Term 4. Usual end of the day pick up 3.20pm and 3.25pm

Monday 3rd April Opportunities Holiday Club 3rd-6th April and 11th—14th April.

Limited Places. Booking information to follow.

Monday 17th April Term 5, Children return to school



## Piano Concert - Monday 27th February at 2.30pm

Our piano teacher, Elena Stevens, will be leading our pianists in a piano concert. We would be delighted if the parents of Elena's piano students could join us in the school hall for this performance. Parents should arrive in time for a 2.30pm start. Many thanks.

## Salad Shortage and Increasing Food Costs

Our suppliers are now limiting the amount of salad items we can purchase at any one time in response to shortages of fresh produce. Regrettably this means that, from next week, **we will no longer be able to offer our salad bar to all children having a hot school dinner. For the time being, salad will only be available as a side dish to jacket potatoes.** We apologise for any disappointment this may cause and hope that this will only be a short term measure.



We must also stress the importance of ordering your child's meal a week in advance. Due to increasing food costs we will no longer order or cook more meals than have been pre ordered in advance via Parentpay. Thank you for your understanding.



ST. JOSEPH'S PFA  
Registered Charity No. 1145152

## Thursday 30th March

Each Class will have their own special Easter Egg hunt during the school day on Thursday 30th March. A contribution towards this activity of £1.50 has been set up on Parentpay. Children who take part will receive an Easter Egg to take home. We hope that all children will have permission to join in the fun. If you do not wish your child to take part, please contact the school off by Wednesday 22nd March. Thank you

## Bikeability

A group of our Year 6s have been taking part in Bikeability cycle training this week. They have been developing their cycle handling skills in the playground, and learning safe and responsible cycling skills on the roads of Malmesbury. The children described the experience as fun, amazing, albeit tiring, and they thoroughly enjoyed learning more about how to stay safe on their bikes. Their instructors were impressed by how the childrens' understanding evolved, and how encouraging it had been to see some of the less confident cyclists grow and become more accomplished, whilst the more proficient gained a greater understanding of the importance of different safety aspects. They particularly praised the children for their courtesy towards members of the public while out in the town. As always, they have been a credit to the school.



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, MALMESBURY

# Raise funds by collecting reusable clothes

RAGS 2 RICHES Schools Clubs Groups

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

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

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

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

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

If you are unsure what to put in the bags **STOP AND THINK WOULD YOU WEAR IT?**

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.

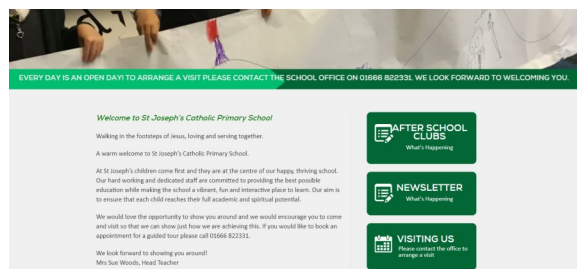
Collection Date:  
**9am on TUESDAY 7TH MARCH**

Please remember - NO UNIFORM



## Website Quick Links

We have included a quick link on the home page of our website to After School Clubs which includes booking forms and the T&Cs for our Opportunities wrap around care as well as the timetables and permission links for the extra curricular after school clubs. See below.



**“Lent is a “powerful” season, a turning point that can foster change in each of us. Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the word of God and celebrating the sacraments.” Pope Francis**

**THE WORD** Wednesday  
Good News for Families

Follow the 3 week half term Wednesday Word link below...  
<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/half-term-holiday-card?pid=MTA101634&p=3&v=84.7>

<b>Weekly Attendance Monday 6th —Thursday 9th February</b>	<b>St Lawrence 98.7%</b>
<b>St Anthony 98.1%</b>	<b>St Francis 98.8%</b>
<b>St Aldhelm 100%</b>	<b>St Scholastica 95.7%</b>