

Newsletter

Friday 10th January 2025



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Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,
Happy New Year everybody! We hope that you all had a lovely festive break and the staff would like to express their appreciation for all their Christmas gifts and good wishes. Thank you!
This week we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany and we thank Father Pontius for allowing Key Stage Two to visit church for a special Adoration and Benediction service. Children have enjoyed learning about the Wise Men and the gifts that they presented to the baby Jesus. Quite a few classes visited church to see the arrival of them in the Christmas Crib! We thanked God this week for all the gifts that he bestows upon us and we ask for his help during this new year to use them wisely and for the good of others too



Starting School



Rising Fives - Children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021

The Governors, as admitting authority for the school, remind all parents of children who will be requiring a Reception place for school in September 2025, that the closing date is Wednesday 15th JANUARY 2025. We have already received lots of applications but they will be allocated according to our criteria. Baptised Catholics are given preference as we are a Catholic school serving the parish of St Osburg's. For further details see https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/114/primary_school_admissions/3 or speak to the office staff.

Support for Families – Just a reminder that our Pastoral Managers, Mrs Fowler and Miss Carey are always available to support, advise or help any families who may be struggling in any way whether this is worries or concerns regarding finance, housing, parenting, behaviour, applications, safety etc. Please do reach out and we will do our best to help. They are able to issue foodbank vouchers too.

Talk Topics

As a school, one of our priorities is to help all children to be confident and articulate talkers. We want children to be able to use a range of vocabulary to express their own views, opinions, wishes and feelings. Being able to take part in conversations and discussions is so important in life, not just for learning or as a life skill but also to socialise and build positive relationships. We are doing lots of work on this in school but thought it would be nice to extend this into the home, so we are introducing a weekly 'Talk Topic' as part of the newsletter that you might wish to discuss or share with your family. This week we have been thinking about gifts and the feast of the Epiphany, so I thought this would be a good starting 'Talk Topic':

'The best gift or present I ever had was.....'



SENDIASS Coffee Morning – 14.1.25

This is a session for Parents/Carers of Children or Young People with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND). The session offers a great way to meet other parents/carers who may be in a similar situation, and an opportunity to share with others in a friendly, non-judgemental environment, together with a member of staff from SENDIASS.

When: Tuesday 14th January 2025 , 9.30am – 11.30am

Venue: The Wave, Coffee Tots Community Room, New Union Street, Coventry, CV1 2PS

Please contact SENDIASS if you would like to come along 😊 Email: iass@coventry.gov.uk or TEL: 024 76 69 4307

Top Tweets From This Week

Year 6 scientists were looking at the role of switches, and complete & incomplete circuits 🧪



Year 4 have enjoyed their first science lesson this afternoon doing a study on what makes musical instruments vibrate to make a noise.



Y2 Geographers used compass roses and directional language to describe routes walked from school to city centre landmarks #explorers



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New Year Reminders

UNIFORM: The children are generally looking smart on return to school and in line with our winter uniform policy. Just a reminder that all pupils in Key Stage 2 should be wearing a school tie.

PE: Physical Education sessions with our sports coaches are as follows this term: **Year 1 & 2 – Thursday** **Year 3 & 4 – Wednesday** **Year 5&6 –Friday**

Children may come to school in PE kits on their PE days – However this **MUST** be St Osburg's PE kit which consists of our logo PE T-Shirt worn with either a PE hoodie or School jumper/Cardigan. Black/grey bottoms and any trainers.

PUNCTUALITY

Our school day starts at 8.55am with learning activities available from 8.40am every day once the doors open. There have been a number of children late this week – 29 late marks. Please can we make an effort to improve this. Children do not like walking into class or assembly late and it means they are missing out on learning too. Persistent lateness could result in a penalty fine from the Local Authority.

UPPER HILL ST

Please can we urge all parents and grandparents to drive and park safely outside school. It is a very narrow and busy road at drop off and collection times. Please take special care when the children are crossing the road, do not drive fast, park on zig-zags or allow children to jump out in the middle of the road. All children should be wearing seat belts or in car seats suitable for their age and height. Thank you for helping to keep all our children safe.

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCH

Please can we remind parents to try to ensure that they are sending a healthy lunchbox into school if their child is on packed lunch. There should not be any sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks – we have seen all of these this week! Dentists also recommend that the best drink for children is water, non sugar squash or milk at lunch time as even fruit juices contain a high amount of natural sugars that would then be present on teeth until they are cleaned (probably not until bedtime). Thank you for your support and co-operation.



Attendance & Punctuality – Whole school for this week: 93.7%

Mrs Roberts Year R		Miss Doran Year 1		Mrs O'Shea Year 2		Mr Dingley Year 3		Mrs Bardell Year 4		Mrs Oluremi Year 5		Mrs McDevitt Year 6	
91.4%	7 lates ☹️	96.4%	4 lates	89.9%	1 late	96.7%	7 lates ☹️	99.3%	3 lates 😊	93.3%	1 late	90.3%	6 lates ☹️

Next week at a glance:

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 13th January 2025 Year 5 Swimming starts – PE kits	9am 3.15-4pm 3.15-4.15pm	Mission Assembly Creative Club (Y1/2) Netball Club (Y6)
Tuesday 14th January	AM 3.15-4pm 3.30-5pm	Guitar lessons Lego Club Y3,4) GOVERNORS Meeting – Quality & Standards
Wednesday 15th January Year 3 and 4 PE day	3.15-4.15pm 3.15-4.15pm	Pop Choir (Years 3,4,5,6) Football with Sky Blues (Y2,3,4) FULL
Thursday 16th January Year 1 and 2 PE day	9.05am 3.15-4.15pm	KS2 Mass with the parish Football club with Sky Blues in the Community (Y5,6) FULL
Friday 17th January Year 5 and 6 PE day	9am	Assembly

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

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Headteacher



This term we are thinking especially about being Grateful and Generous

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