

# Newsletter

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024



Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

## Head Boy & Girl Elections

We are in the process of holding our own whole school elections for a Head Boy & Head Girl. Any Y6 pupils who wished to nominate themselves as a potential candidate had to write a letter of application. These were shortlisted to a final 4 boys and girls who prepared speeches to deliver to the whole school today in assembly. They were Ahmed, Xavier, Changwa, Krey, Andra, Abigail, Amelia and Rose. I must say all 4 shortlisted pupils spoke confidently and persuasively and I certainly felt that it was very hard to choose between them all. Every child in the school will have the chance to cast their vote and the results will be announced on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## Introducing Asda's Cashpot for Schools!

If any of our families shop at Asda every time you scan your Asda Rewards card, Asda will donate 0.5% of your shop to a primary school of your choice! Download the Asda Rewards app today, opt in to Cashpot for Schools adding St Osburg's as your chosen school, and Asda will do the rest. You've got until the 30<sup>th</sup> November to donate.



## Meet The Teacher Letters & Online Safety Information

This week you should have received a letter from your child's new class teacher providing key information and reminders about things that are important now they have moved into a new year group. This includes things like curriculum information, routines, educational visits, reminders and sacramental preparation. Please do take time to read it and also the Online Safety information letter that accompanied it in order to support your child this academic year.

## Living Streets Project

We have been approached by a charity called 'Living Streets' who have been commissioned by Coventry City Council to gain the views of residents and users of Coundon Road, Barras Lane, Lower Holyhead Road and Upper Hill Street about what it is like to walk along those roads either to school, work or in and out of the city centre. The aim is to get views and ideas about how those routes could be improved for pedestrians. A group of pupils will be joining students from Bablake on a walking discussion next week and also staff members from Living Streets will be talking to parents at pick-up time on Wednesday if you would like to share your views. You can also give your views on a questionnaire. We will be sending the link out to all families.

**Uniform** – There have been a number of misplaced Uniform items already this academic year. Please can I urge all parents to ensure items are named especially jumpers, cardigans and PE hoodies. This way we can check and get items back to their owners!

**Packed lunches** - 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.

Please **DO NOT** send any meat with bones in as this is a choking hazard and please can grapes be cut lengthways if you are sending these in too.



## Water Bottles

Please can I remind parents that **ONLY WATER** is allowed in children's water bottles that they bring into the classrooms. Whilst children may bring in other drinks for lunchtime (**ONLY IF THEY ARE ON PACKED LUNCHES**), juice or squash is not allowed during lesson times or in the classroom. Children who are on school dinners are provided with drinks in the dining room

## Top Tweets (X) from this week. Follow us @SaintOsburgs to see more.

Year 1 enjoyed their first art lesson on making different lines- straight, wavy, curly, zigzagged, the options were endless.



Year 2 used levers and pivoting points in D&T as part of their 'Moving Pictures' unit. We created crocodiles, cats and dinosaurs with moving parts.



Today in Year 5 we were thinking about special objects in our lives. Children brought in some precious objects that they cherish. We shared the stories of some of the things we brought in.



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## Key Sacramental Dates This School Year:

- Y6 Confirmation - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7pm
- First Reconciliation (Y3) – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 2pm
- First Holy Communion (Y3) – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 10.30am

Please see the calendar on the school website for all other upcoming Mass dates

**Collection From School** – we know that there are families who help each other with school collection or sometimes parents send extended family members to collect their child from school. Please can we ask that if you give your permission for named other people to collect your child that you inform the school office otherwise we will not be able to release your child. You do not have to do this for every occasion, but if you have informed us that a certain person is authorised to collect your child, we can allow them to do this on a regular basis. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Pupil Premium - Please Apply!

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding. By applying for free school meals (even if your child prefers to have a packed lunch from home), school will receive £1,320 per year additional funding in the form of pupil premium funding for your child. This is an invaluable source of income for school in times when budgets are being drastically reduced. **It also entitles you to receive benefits such as subsidised prices for school trips.**

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 you must still make the application to receive the funding, even though your child receives universal free school meals under the government scheme. Parents of children Years 3- 6 can also apply.

Please see the letter that has been sent out for more information and if you have any questions or require assistance speak with Mrs Fowler, Miss Carey or the School office.

**Multi-sports Skills** This is a new club being offered by our professional sports coaches. This will be a fun fitness club where the children will have the chance to develop all the basic sports skills – running, jumping, throwing, catching, kicking, dodging etc. through a range of fun games appropriate to their age. Highly recommended and will enhance their skills, confidence and performance in sports in years to come 😊



## Attendance & Punctuality – Whole school for this week: 93.7% Lots of sickness in school this week unfortunately.

Mrs Roberts Year R		Miss Doran		Mrs O'Shea Year 2		Mr Dingley Year 3		Mrs Bardell Year 4		Mrs Oluremi Year 5		Mrs McDevitt Year 6	
99.3%	2 late 😊	88.8%	3 lates	94.5%	1 late	86.2%	1 late	94.5%	1 late	95.3%	2 lates	98.3%	6 lates 😞

## Next Week at a Glance:

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> Year 4 PE and swimming kits	AM AM 3.15-4pm <b>3.15-4.15pm</b>	<b>Dog's Trust Assembly and Workshops</b> Y4 swimming lessons Creative Club (Y3,4,5,6) Netball (Y5/6)
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct</b> Years 1,2,3, wear PE kits to school	AM 3.15-4pm 3.15-4pm 3.15-4pm	Ricky Dance Running Club (Y3,4,5,6) Lego Club (Y3/4) Art Club (Y1/2)
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct</b> Year 1 and 2 wear PE kits to school	12.30-1.15pm 1.30pm 3.15-4.15pm 3.15-4.15pm	Lunchtime sports with sports coaches <b>Y6 to Dol-y-Moch</b> Year 2,3,4 football training Pop Choir (Y3,4,5,6)
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b> National Poetry Day Year 5 and 6 wear PE kits to school	12.30-1.15pm 3.15-4.15pm 3.15-4.15pm	Lunchtime sports with sports coaches Year 5/6 football training Year 1/2 multi-sports skills <b>SPACES AVAILABLE</b>
<b>Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct</b> Year 3 and 4 wear PE kits to school	11am 12.30-1.15pm	One Life Music – Autumn Term Live Stream Liturgy Lunchtime sports with sports coaches

*Wishing you all a lovely weekend.*  
N. Rynott  
**Mrs N Rynott**  
**Headteacher**

loving hopeful  
attentive curious  
faith-filled learned wise  
generous prophetic grateful  
eloquent discerning  
intentional compassionate active  
truthful

This term we are thinking especially about being Curious & Active

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