

Newsletter

Thursday 18th December 2025



Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

What a wonderful last week of term!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Family Carol Service on Monday evening. It was wonderful to have such a great turnout as we gathered to sing 'Carols by Candlelight' and remember the true reason for this Christmas season – celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. We hope you enjoyed the festive refreshments afterwards too 😊

The remainder of the week has been filled with lots of festive activities, Prayer services, parties, visits from Santa, trips and still lots of wonderful learning.

We had our fun Christmas sing-a-long this morning which included special guests, games, singing, dancing and seeing which staff members were on Santa's naughty or nice list!

It has been such a successful term for many reasons: the learning has been excellent and exciting; we have enjoyed lots of sporting opportunities, marvellous music making and some lovely trips; the Christmas performances and opportunities for spiritual development have been joyous and very special too.

Children – you have all been shining stars this term and you make coming to work a joy! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents for your support over the past term with attendance, uniform, behaviour, your child's learning and school events. I would also like to thank all the governors and our talented staff for all their hard work and genuine care as they endeavour every day to give every child at St Osburg's the best possible Catholic school experience!

I wish you all a lovely break and a very happy and holy Christmas. See you on Monday 5th January 2026.



Blessing of the Bambinelli

This Advent every child in our school has made their own Bambinelli (Baby Jesus). We had these blessed at Mass this morning for the children to take home today as a reminder to welcome Jesus into our hearts and homes this Christmas time.

This was also the first time that Year 6 accompanied their Reception Prayer Buddies to church which was so lovely to see.

Christmas Family Mass at St Osburg's Church

Father Pontius and Father Sunday would love to see as many of our children and their families at church over Christmas and there is a special family Mass on Christmas Eve that you are all invited to :

- **The First Mass of Christmas – Christmas Eve (Wednesday evening) at 5.00pm Mrs Rynott would love to see you there 😊 Do come along and also see the special crib scene in church too – remember Jesus is the reason for the Christmas season!**



New Course for Parents - Maths in the Primary School

Following on from the Success of our 10-week parent course 'English in the Primary School' that several parents attended and enjoyed, we are pleased to be offering a new course 'Maths in The Primary School' for the spring term. This will be held every Monday morning from 9am-11am for 10 weeks starting on 12th January 2026. The course aims to give parents more confidence in supporting their child with Maths, help you to understand the methods and vocabulary that the children are learning in school and provide you with games and activities to share at home. Please email school if you would like to be added to the group or speak to Miss Carey/Mrs Fowler on the gate.

Reminder – There are no after school activities on the first week of term.

Year 5 will start swimming lessons at The Wave on Monday 12th January 2026.

First week back at a glance:

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 5 th January 2026	9am	Adoration and Benediction service in church – Key Stage 2 only
Tuesday 6 th January	AM All day PM	Guitar Lessons resume Year 3 trip to Cadbury's World Y6 to Dol-y-Moch
Wed 7 th January	All day	Y6 at Dol-y-Moch
Thursday 8 th January	All day AM	Y6 at Dol-y-Moch Year 5 to Cardinal Newman – Future Scientists
Friday 9 th January	9am PM	Assembly Y6 return from Dol-y-Moch

I wish all of you a very happy and holy Christmas. See you again on Monday 5th January 2026

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

This morning the whole school gathered for Mass where Father blessed the Bambinelli (Baby Jesus) that every child has made, ready to welcome into their homes this Christmas 🌟👼



Nursery class gave a wonderful Christmas performance of 'Marching in the Snow' this morning. Well done children; we all loved all your singing, dancing, speaking and acting parts. 🎅👼🌟👍 Thank you @MrsVickster71 for helping them to shine!



Year 6 are Panto ready! 🎭🌟



Thank you to everyone who joined us for Carols by Candlelight 🎵👼🌟👍🎅



Year 1 and 2 have safely arrived at the SnowDome. We're having an amazing time!!



We're all having a magical time at Santa's Village!! 🎄👼🌟👍



Year 3 finished making their stockings and are rightfully proud of their designing and making skills. We wonder whether they'll get filled on Christmas Eve? 🎅👼🌟👍



Festive treats after all the singing at our Carol Service 🎅👼🌟👍🎵



Thank you Year 6 for preparing & leading our Prayer Service for parents this morning 💜👼🌟 it was lovely to have so many family members join us- thank you



Christmas P.E games with Year 2.



Members of Pop Choir from years 4 and 5 visited St Catherine's Lodge to sing carols and other Christmas songs for the residents. Everyone had a great time. 🎅👼🌟👍🎵



A beautiful pupil prepared and led Advent prayer time by Year 5 this morning. Thank you to all the parents who joined us as we thought about how we can bring the light of hope into the lives of others as we prepare to welcome the new born king 💜👼🌟👍



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