

# Newsletter

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026



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 with a lovely Mass followed by the opportunity for the children to visit the Christmas Crib with the new arrivals of Baby Jesus, the Wise Men and their gifts. 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.

## Dol-y-Moch – Thank you!

Thank you very much to Mrs McDevitt, Miss Howes, Miss Carey & Mr Dingley for accompanying 25 of our Year 6 pupils to Plas Dol-y-Moch in Snowdonia National Park for the past few days. Although, they had to leave a day earlier due to the weather forecast they still managed to have a wonderful time climbing mountains, exploring the mines, the beach and the beautiful Welsh countryside in the wintery weather. I heard that our children were very well-behaved, polite and enthusiastic as well as demonstrating great perseverance, determination and resilience throughout the challenges. Well done everyone! Please see X (Twitter) for some fabulous photos.

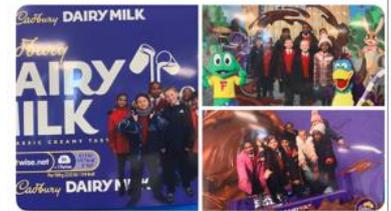


## Rising Fives - Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022

The Governors, as admitting authority for the school, remind all parents of children who will be requiring a Reception place for school in September 2026, that the closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026. 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](https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/114/primary_school_admissions/3) or speak to the office staff.

## Year 3 Visit Cadbury's World

On Tuesday, the children from Year 3 visited Cadbury World as part of their English work on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and in preparation for future learning about the Mayans and Rainforest. They had a fantastic time learning about the origins of chocolate, how chocolate is made, writing their names in chocolate, tasting chocolate and seeing how the advertising of Cadbury chocolate has changed over the years. They also enjoyed a 4D cinema experience travelling through Cadbury World. Another highlight was all the delicious chocolate they got to take home. A wonderful day was had by all. 😊



## Nursery Parent Workshop – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 9am-10am.

Join us for a fun session with your nursery child. We will share ideas and activities that will help you support your child to achieve their best. The next session is 'Making Music'. Making and listening to music helps children to develop good listening skills, brain and language development and also brings joy to the day! 😊 Please try to join us.

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Top Tweets (X) From This Week

To conclude the Jubilee Year, Year 2 children took part in a pilgrimage to Christianity's most holy places. We offered our prayers of thanksgiving, forgiveness and gratitude. 🙏



Children are being well fed @plasdolymoch 🍴  
dinner last night 😊



The reception children showed great enthusiasm while identifying which animals are nocturnal and which are diurnal. 🐱 🐭 🐹



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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 Mr Dingley are as follows this term: **Year 1 & 2 – Thursday** **Year 3 Tuesday** **Year 4 – Friday** **Year 6 – Wednesday.** **Year 5 will be attending swimming lessons on Monday mornings at the Wave as their PE curriculum this half term.**

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. The number of children arriving late was high over the autumn term. 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. 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.



**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.

## Inclement Weather

As communicated earlier this week, whilst we will always endeavour to keep school open if it is safe to do so, if we do need to close due to snowy weather, this will be communicated to parents via email and on our Twitter (X) feed as soon as possible. Please ensure contact details are up to date. Thank you.

Nursery had a great time in the snow this morning ☁️❄️ #50thingstodobeforeyouare5



## Next week at a glance:

Date	Time	Activity
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b> <b>Year 5 Swimming starts</b> <b>– PE kits</b>	9am	Mission Assembly
	3.15-4pm	Creative Club (Y1/2)
	3.15-4pm	Lego Club (Y2,3,4,5)
	3.15-4.15pm	Netball Club (Y6)
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Year 3 PE day</b>	AM 3.15-4pm	Guitar lessons Coding Club Y3,4,5,6)
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Year 6 PE day</b>	3.15-4.15pm 3.15-4.15pm	Pop Choir (Years 3,4,5,6) Football with Sky Blues (Y2,3,4) <b>FULL</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Year R, 1 and 2 PE day</b>	9.05am 3.15-4.15pm	KS2 Mass with the parish Football training (Y5,6)
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January</b> <b>Year 4 PE day</b>	9am	Assembly

*Wishing you all a lovely weekend*

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