

# SS OSMUND & ANDREW'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, BOLTON

## NEWSLETTER: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023



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### Thought for the Week:

Please chat through at home with your child(ren) the school's Thought for the Week which on Monday will be:  
**I know that in Advent I get ready for Jesus by respecting all (Hope).**

### Non-Uniform Days

Thank you to the parent who had a very reasonable and honest discussion with Mrs Doyle earlier this week regarding the number of non-uniform days so far this year. In response to the discussion, the non-uniform days after Christmas where there is a voluntary donation will not be until March. We will line these up, but after the break I have just described...

A day for Comic Relief  
A day for the School Council  
St Joseph's Penny.

Further to this, the food bank will soon be running low. I know the House Captains may wish for a collection of tins that they can leave in the front entrance: we will do this more subtly, i.e. without a non-uniform day.

### Please note these forthcoming dates:

#### Invitation to Pray

On **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** at 3.10pm you are invited to come into your child's classroom and listen and perhaps join in with the children say their home time prayer.

We say our prayers 4 times a day and we would like you to be part of this special time. Please we at your child's classroom door at 3.10pm and your teacher will welcome you into the classroom.

#### **CHRISTMAS FAIR IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

Please note the new date: **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December: 3.30pm – 5.00pm**

#### **Christmas Fair – Non-Uniform Day**

**NEW DATE!!! Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** - Children are being asked to bring chocolate for the chocolate tombola. Thank you so much for your support.

#### Wear Purple for Advent

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** will be having an assembly from CAFOD to begin the season of Advent. Children may wear something purple, this could be anything from a ribbon, socks, t-shirt or a full outfit. Please send in a £1 donation for our Advent charity, CAFOD.

If your child does not have anything purple, another colour will do.

Thank you so much for you continued support.

The House Captains

#### Reindeer Run

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**, a fund raiser for Bolton Hospice, organised by our House Captains. More details soon.

#### Within's Care Home Visit

A group of children will be visiting Within's Care home in December. We will be presenting the residents there with Christmas gifts on behalf of our school and sending special seasonal messages from the children too.

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### Christmas Events

EYFS Nativity: **Wednesday 13th December** 9.30am and **Thursday 14th December** 2pm  
Y1/Y2 Nativity: **Wednesday 13th December** 1.30pm and 6pm for parents  
Carols around the playground - **Wednesday 20th December** 2pm  
EYFS Christmas Party - **Tuesday 19th December** morning  
KS1 Christmas Party - **Friday 15th December** afternoon  
LKS2 Christmas Party - **Monday 18th December** afternoon  
UKS2 Christmas Party - **Tuesday 19th December** afternoon



### Prayers

Sometimes we all need that extra support and as a school we come together every day to say prayers. If you would like the school community to pray for you, your family, friends or any other intentions please email the office ([office@ss-osands.bolton.sch.uk](mailto:office@ss-osands.bolton.sch.uk)), speak to the office or write a little note and send it in with your child.

You do not need to write a prayer if you don't wish to, just your intention. For example: please pray for my friend who is having difficulties at this time; please pray for my grandma who is in hospital; please pray for the people of Ukraine etc. We will not mention your name or other names if you do not wish us to but we can add your prayer intentions to our prayers in class and in assembly.

### Roll of Honour

***Please check if your child is on this list.... If they are, you are warmly invited to come into school on the following Monday morning for our 9am assembly to see them be awarded their certificate!***

Nursery - Star of the week is Alaiyah S for reading at home and for good listening and joining in with our Talk for Writing story 'The Gingerbread Man'. Well done Alaiyah.

Reception 1 – Star of the week is George D for trying so hard with his reading and phonics skills both at school and at home.

Reception 2 – Star of the week is Trianna O for trying really hard with her number fab work in maths this week!

1O – Star of the week is Lydia F for being kind and caring, for working hard and always being an excellent role model to others.

1A -Star of the week goes to Alessio K for trying so hard to do the right thing and writing an excellent retell of Brown Bear Brown Bear!

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20 – Star of the week is Thomas D for doing such a good job of learning his lines for the Christmas play and using great expression.

2A – Star of the week is Bezaleel F-M for making an excellent start at SSOA and for a beautiful solo in the nativity.

30 – Star of the week goes to Martin R for producing fantastic work in RE and Geography using his excellent drawing skills.

3A – Star of the week goes to Louisa W for working tremendously hard for Miss McMurray and being an excellent role model. Also, for being brave after her recent operation and showing determination to not let it affect her too much!

40 – Star of the week is Ahmed T-G for an excellent improvement in his reading and writing skills in English.

4A - Star of the week is Jack K for superb knowledge on his 9 times tables and making great effort to learn all of them.

50 – Star of the week goes to Riha A for an excellent effort to improve handwriting and presentation. Very well done!

5A – Star of the week is Lucy R for a positive attitude to learning!

60 – Star of the week is Muhammad S for a perfect attitude to learning, always keen to improve.

6A – Star of the week goes to Daniel O for putting 100% effort into his Maths and English and for his respectful attitude towards his teachers!

Reading Award – Kendice M (50).

Deputy Headteacher Award - Pearl A (60) for her enthusiasm planting trees in the school grounds.

Headteacher Award: Ryan L (4A) for a huge leap in his Multiplication Times Table Check scores!

### **Parking**

Please do not park on Falkirk Drive. Thank you for parking respectfully for our neighbours. For the safety of our families and staff, the school car park is not to be used by parents. Thank you.

### **Code of Conduct: Parents & Visitors**

Thank you for:

Respecting the school's caring ethos.

Working with teachers for the benefit of children.

Always remaining calm and respectful.

Always resolving issues through school.

Always correcting your child's behaviour when you need to.

A more detailed version of the Code is on our school website.

### **Dates for the Diary:**

#### Class Assemblies

All our parents are welcome to come along and join us for the following assemblies:

Nursery	Friday, 5th July (9am)
Reception	Friday, 21st June (9am)
Y1	Friday, 16th February (9am)
Y3	Friday, 24th May (9am)
Y5	Friday, 15th March (9am)
Y6	Thursday, 18th July (Leavers' Assembly 2pm)

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### Parents Evenings:

Thursday, 29th February 1.30pm - 6.30pm  
 EYFS stay and plays week commencing 12th Feb all week

### Easter Events:

21st March - Easter Bonnet Parade  
 Afternoon Easter Performance (Y3/4) - Tuesday 26th March 1.30pm  
 Evening Easter Performance (Y3/4) - Wednesday 27th March 6pm

### Summer Events:

Afternoon Play Performance (Y5/6) - Tuesday 9th July 1pm  
 Evening Play Performance (Y5/6) - Wednesday 10th July 6pm

### **First Holy Communion**

The dates that you need are as follows...

EVENT	VENUE	DATE & TIME
First Confessions	Church	Wednesday, 6 December 2023, 7pm
Sunday Liturgies	Church	3 December 2023 @ 11:00am 14 January 2024 @ 11:00am 11 February 2024 @ 11:00am 17 March 2024 @ 11:00am 21 April 2024 @ 11:00am 19 May 2024 @ 11:00am
Second Parents' Meeting	Church	Wednesday, 15 May 2024, 6pm
First Holy Communion Rehearsal	Church	Friday, 7 June 2024, 10am
<b><i>First Holy Communion</i></b>	<b><i>Church</i></b>	<b><i>Saturday, 8 June 2024, 11am</i></b>