

SS OSMUND & ANDREW'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, BOLTON

NEWSLETTER: Thursday 26th October 2023



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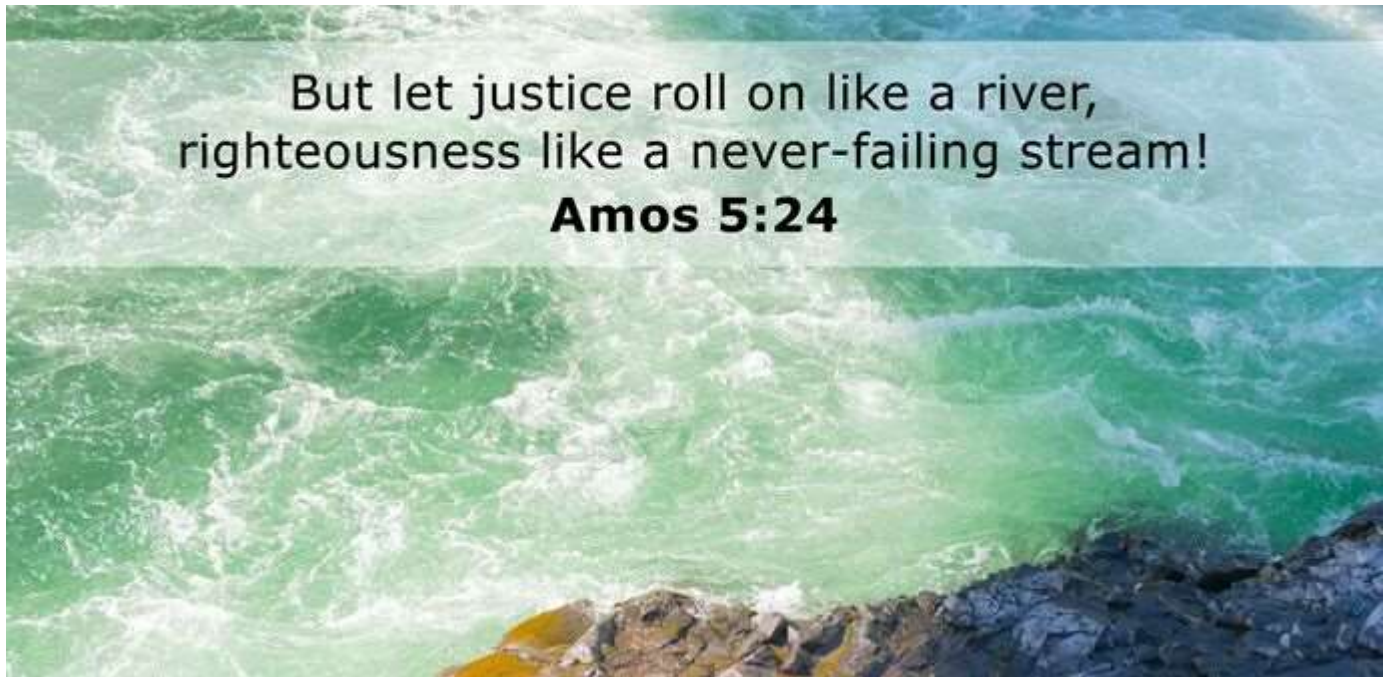
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Thought for the Week:

Please chat through at home with your child(ren) the school's Thought for the Week which on Monday will be:

I try to be just and fair.



Year 2 Children

If your child is in Year 2, is a baptised Catholic and you wish them to make their First Holy Communion in Year 3, details of all the dates you need to attend will come out in September. If your child is not baptised and you wish your child to make their First Holy Communion, please contact Fr Heakin on **01204 522770** as soon as possible to arrange a baptism that will also allow them to go on the First Holy Communion Programme. Thank you.

Miss Rawlinson

After 17 years at our school, Miss Rawlinson will be leaving in a few weeks to take up a new challenge and a new post at Church Road. Miss Rawlinson has been a great servant to our community for many years, and we are sad that she is leaving. Her last day with us will be 10th November. She will be replaced by Mrs Ivill who will also be training to be a teacher with us.

YEAR 6 PARENTS

Mr Townsend and Miss Comer would like to meet all Year 6 parents to give them information and answer any questions about the SATs and the trip to Robinwood.

There are two meetings – parents only need to attend one.

Wednesday 8th November at 3.30pm in Year 6O's classroom.

Wednesday 8th November at 6.00pm in Year 6O's classroom.

Roll of Honour

*** Please check [OUR NEXT THURSDAY NEWSLETTER](#) 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! ***

We awarded all our certificates on Monday morning... Star of the Week certificates from last week, and Half Term Awards for this week! All certificate winners were on last week's newsletter.

Monster Ball at the St Osmund's Church Hall

Tickets available from Mrs Jones and Mrs Garrity.

Money raised is to help with the coach trip for our Year 4 trip to York in the Summer term and for the parish too.

Sat 28th October 7.30pm – 10.30pm

£3.50 a ticket

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Safeguarding update.

At SSOA, the safety of your child is of paramount importance to us. We are always vigilant and teach all the children how to keep themselves safe. We are grateful to you for reinforcing our message to 'keep safe' when outside school, especially as the children are off school for half-term and the nights are drawing in.

Reminder - End of Term Sweet Sale

There will be a sweet sale outside of Year 1 after school today and tomorrow (Friday 27th of October) to celebrate the end of term! Please come and visit.

Year 6 application for secondary school 2024

Please could we remind year 6 parents/carers that they need to apply for secondary school 2024 by the deadline of **31st October 2023**.

Applications for a secondary school place can be made via the Bolton council website.

[Secondary school places – Bolton Council](#)

Football and Pokemon Cards

All trading cards and stickers are not allowed in school. Please keep them safe at home.

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)
Y4	Friday, 10th November (9am)
Y5	Friday, 15th March (9am)
Y6	Thursday, 18th July (Leavers' Assembly 2pm)

School Car Park

For the safety of our families and staff, the school car park is not to be used by parents. Thank you.

Parking

Please do not park on Falkirk Drive. Thank you for parking respectfully for our neighbours. 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:

Half Term Reminder

School closes for half term tomorrow (Friday 27th October) at the usual time and re-opens Monday 6th November

Parents Evenings:

Thursday, 23rd November 1.30pm - 6.30pm

EYFS stay and plays week commencing 20th November all week

Thursday, 29th February 1.30pm - 6.30pm

EYFS stay and plays week commencing 12th Feb all week

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Events

26th October - 4.30pm – Halloween Disco
 7th December - 3.30pm Christmas Fair
 21st March Easter Bonnet Parade

Christmas Events

EYFS Nativity: Wednesday, 13th December 9.30 and Thursday 14th December 2pm
 Y1/Y2 Nativity: Wednesday 13th December 1.30pm and 6pm for parents
 End of term Mass - Friday 15th December
 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

Easter performance Y3/Y4:

Afternoon performance - Tuesday 26th March 1.30pm
 Evening performance - Wednesday 27th March 6pm

UKS2 play:

Afternoon performance - Tuesday 9th July 1pm
 Evening performance - 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	5 November 2023 @ 11:00am 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
<i>First Holy Communion</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Saturday, 8 June 2024, 11am</i>

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SEND

At SS Osmund and Andrew's RCP School, we follow the Local Authorities statutory advice for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. This involves a Graduated Approach, where we assess, plan, do and review. This means that we assess a child's learning, we plan intervention to support them, we then carry this out and review it.

To give a child the best chance to learn we aim to reduce any barriers to their learning and create a calm and safe learning environment. Over a period of a term, the teacher and SEND practitioners are able to reach a decision on what action to carry out next. This would normally involve meeting with a parent to discuss.

Then a new target is set or a reasonable adjustment to the lesson is made to support the child. If the gap is increasing, in the next cycle of 'Assess, plan, do, review', the SENDCo will contact external agencies, funded by school. This may involve a meeting with an external agency, an observation or group intervention.

The school would open a plan known as Early Help to support the child further and a meeting would take place with the SENDCo and family. At the meeting, actions and goals would be agreed.

If the external agency or SENDCo begin to observe an increasing barrier to learning, further observations and diagnostic assessments would take place to determine whether or not there is a special need.

If the team arrive at a conclusion that there is a special need, the SENDCo would meet with the family/carer and teacher to discuss reasonable adjustments in school. The diagnosis will be added to the SEND Register.

If the barrier to learning increases significantly over a period of time, despite reasonable adjustments and the child's special needs greatly increase in school, the SENDCo will have a discussion with Parents/Carers about supporting a child with an application for an EHCP. Note: The Government has reduced funding for EHCPs. A diagnosis with a Special Educational Need will not automatically qualify for a pathway to an EHCP.

It is worth noting that it is not the school's decision as to whether a child gains an EHCP. Only around 1 to 2 in 100 children get an EHCP, and many of these do not advocate 1 to 1 support.