

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

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### Welcome back!

We've had a great first few days of the half term! Our next break is the Easter holiday. School closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March and re-opens at 8.45am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

# Lent



### 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 Lent I should show HOPE.**

### Class Honours

Golden Bin – **Year 3A** – What a tidy classroom all last week!

### Book Week

We will have the travelling book fair in school from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March to Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March. You are welcome to pop into the hall (after school 3.15 to 3.45pm) and browse the lovely books for sale. School receives commission from the sales that we use to purchase/replace books in the children's classroom book corners. Before half term you will receive a £1 book token which you can use during the school holidays or spend at the Book Fair.

### World Book Day

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March it will be World Book Day. We are asking the children this year to wear their pyjamas to coincide with 'bedtime stories' or to wear their favourite book character costume. We ask that children bring in a warm coat and suitable shoes for playing outside on this day.

### **NEW PE DAYS TO THE END OF THE YEAR!!! – Changes on Tuesday and Wednesday from w/c 26<sup>th</sup> February**

Monday – Year 1 and 2.

Tuesday – **Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2**

Wednesday – **Year 3, 4, 5, 6**

Thursday – Year 3 and 4

Friday – Year 5 and 6.

*Please can children come to school in their PE kit on their PE day.*

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE THAT TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS HAVE SWAPPED FROM OUR RETURN AFTER THE HALF TERM BREAK TO THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN JULY. \*\***

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### Roll of Honour – Stars of The Week

The parents of all children on the list below are warmly invited to our school assembly on Monday at 9am to see their child receive their award, Well done to the following children:

Foundation 1 - Ryan W for fantastic learning both in school and at home.  
Foundation 2 - Josh T for some fantastic cooperative play in the classroom.

10 - Renae H for always working extremely hard and for being an enthusiastic and positive member of the class.  
1A - Alex M for trying so hard in lessons and giving some amazing answers!  
20 - Esme H - Esme always works hard, tries her best and shows excellent behaviour! She's a superstar!  
2A - Georgia K for her amazing sewing skills in D&T. Amazing, Georgia!

30 - Oliver D for his total enthusiasm and eagerness to learn especially in science, history and geography. Well done Oliver.  
3A - Marcella G for her exciting writing in English and being a great friend to everyone!  
40 - Chester B for always trying his best in all subjects and for giving amazing answers in class discussions!  
4A - Emily N for doing so well lately, as shown in her assessments!

50 - Poppy C for excellent understanding in maths and making great progress.  
5A - Tina L for making such a wonderful start in her new Year 5 class.  
60 - Iremide S for making the best start at SS Osmund and Andrew's. Iremide has proven to be a confident, kind, and hardworking pupil.  
6A - Jamelia L for her constant positive attitude in class and for her enthusiasm when interpreting pie charts in Maths.

Ukulele player of the week - Evie N (2A) for showing smooth transitions between chords and super concentration.

Reading Award - Willow M (4A).

Assistant Head Teacher Award - Millie R (Reception) for her brilliant fine motor skills when writing her name!

Deputy Head Award - Koby E (Nursery/Foundation 1) for super listening to the Little Red Riding Hood story.

Headteacher Award - Matilda P (30) for always showing great resilience and determination in everything she does even in the face of adversity.

### Vaping

Vaping is not allowed on school grounds and we would recommend to all parents that the children do not see their trusted and influential adults vaping. There are a variety of dangers that are associated with vaping and I would ask that parents reinforce our message to children which is around the damage that can be caused to children's health.

The dangers of vaping include asthma, lung scarring and damage, damage to the heart and brain, addiction to nicotine, cancer, and serious injuries and burns from the devices exploding. People tend to think of vaping as "safer" than smoking, but it's not safe.

There is a lot of information available on the internet. The information above was taken from <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/treatments/21162-vaping#risks-benefits>

Thank you for your support in this matter.

### 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.

### School Cleaning Vacancy

J W Cleaning Services, our school cleaning contractor, has an exciting opportunity to join their team. They are looking for a cleaner to work within the school - Monday to Friday 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Experience not necessary as full training will be given. If you are interested can you please contact Jenny Williams on 07894201140 for further details.

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### Please note these forthcoming dates:

#### Class Assemblies

Parents are welcome to come along to see their child in the following assemblies:

Nursery	Thursday 4th July (9am) – <i>PLEASE NOTE THIS HAS CHANGED TO A DAY EARLIER</i>
Reception	Thursday 20th June (9am) – <i>PLEASE NOTE THIS HAS CHANGED TO A DAY EARLIER</i>
Y3	Friday, 24th May (9am)
Y5	Friday, 15th March (9am)
Y6	Thursday, 18th July (Leavers' Assembly 2pm)

#### Dates for the Diary

Y5 Mass at St Osmund's Church – **There will be a new date for this event soon.**  
Easter Bingo – 22<sup>nd</sup> March \*Please note that the Easter Bonnet Parade has been replaced with Easter Bingo  
Afternoon Easter Performance (Y3/4) - Tuesday 26th March 1.30pm  
Evening Easter Performance (Y3/4) - Wednesday 27th March 6pm

Y4 Mass at 1.30 at St Osmund's Church – 11<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30pm, all welcome  
Y3 Mass at 1.30 at St Osmund's Church – 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 1.30pm, all welcome  
Afternoon Summer Play Performance (Y5/6) - Tuesday 9th July 1pm  
Evening Summer Play Performance (Y5/6) - Wednesday 10th July 6pm

#### Holidays in Term Time

Please note that our school does not have the power in law to authorise absences for family holidays.

#### Own Risk – Valuables and Money

Please remember that school does not take any responsibility for loss or damage to valuable items including money, and thus we ask children not to bring them into school.

#### 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.

#### First Holy Communion

The dates that you need are as follows...

EVENT	VENUE	DATE & TIME
Sunday Liturgies	Church	17 March 2024 @ 11:00am 21 April 2024 @ 11:00am 19 May 2024 @ 11:00am
Second Parents' Meeting	Church	Wednesday, 15 May 2024, 6pm
<i>First Holy Communion</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Saturday, 8 June 2024, 11am</i>

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### **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.

