

SS OSMUND & ANDREW'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, BOLTON

NEWSLETTER: Wednesday 4th September 2024



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Welcome Back!

On behalf of everyone at SSOA, welcome back to the new school year at SSOA! We hope everyone managed to gain some valuable family time over the summer. There will be an 'extra' newsletter next Monday with lots of information for the school year.

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 can say one good thing about myself.

**“And now these
three remain:
faith, hope and
love. But the
greatest of these
is love.”**

— 1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

Our Next Break:

Our next break is for the Autumn Half Term. School closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 24th October. We reopen at 8.45am on Monday 4th November and close for Christmas at 3.15pm on Thursday 19th December.

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.

Roll of Honour

Our first Star of the Week assembly will be held on Monday 16th September. The names of the children who have been awarded a certificate will be on next weeks newsletter. Parents of children awarded a certificate are warmly invited to join us at 9am for our Star of the Week assemblies.

PE Days

Foundation 1 (Nursery) – Wednesday.
Foundation 2 (Reception) – Friday.
Year 1 – Monday, Wednesday.
Year 1/2 – Monday, Wednesday.
Year 2 – Monday, Thursday.
Year 3O – Tuesday, Thursday.
Year 3A – Tuesday, Thursday.
Year 4O – Wednesday, Thursday.
Year 4A – Wednesday, Thursday.
Year 5O – Tuesday, Friday.
Year 5A – Wednesday, Friday.
Year 6O – Tuesday, Friday.
Year 6A – Tuesday, Friday

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.

Mobile Phones

Please note that only Year 6 children are allowed mobile phones in school without prior agreement and this is under the strict conditions of the phones not being switched on when in school, and that they must be handed in when children arrive and collected at hometime. This includes all events such as discos, etc. Any child breaking this rule will not be allowed to bring their mobile phone into school.

PE Kit

Please note, we support the school white polo shirt and jumper being worn for PE.
Football shirts are NOT school PE uniform and are not to be worn. Thank you for your support

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.

Holidays in Term Time

Please note that our school does not have the power in law to authorise absences for family holidays. We are now obliged to issue a fine when there are 10 unauthorised sessions (5 days in) in a 10 week period. Please do not put school in the awkward position by taking holidays in term time as they cannot be classed as exceptional circumstances and thus cannot be authorised.

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), 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.

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 ST. OSMUND'S CHURCH, Bolton, BL2 6EB
 First Holy Communion Programme 2025

EVENT	VENUE	DATE & TIME
First Parents' meeting	Church	Tuesday, 24 th September, at 6pm
Presentation	Church	Sunday, 29 th September @ 11:00am
First Confessions	Church	Wednesday, 4 th December, at 6pm
Sunday Liturgies	Church – Side Room	Sunday, 29 th September, at 11:00am Sunday, 20 th October, at 11:00am Sunday, 10 th November, at 11:00am Sunday, 1 st December, at 11:00am Sunday, 12 th January, at 11:00am Sunday, 4 th February, at 11:00am Sunday, 2 nd March, at 11:00am Sunday, 23 rd March, at 11:00am Sunday, 18 th May, @ 11:00am
Second Parents' meeting	Church	Tuesday, 20 th May, at 6pm
First Holy Communion Rehearsal	Church	Friday, 6 th June, at 10am
<i>First Holy Communion</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Saturday, 7th June 2025 at 11am</i>