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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 treating others the way I would like to be treated (LOVE).



.Our Next Break:

Our next break is for the Christmas break. School closes at 3.15pm on Thursday 19th December.
We reopen at 8.45am on Monday 6th January.

Christmas Fair – Thursday 28th November

Our Christmas Fair is being held after school tomorrow, 3.15pm – 5pm! We have lots of fun stalls, refreshments, games, photographs and Elfidges (for children only, so they can buy a Christmas Present for their parents/carers).

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated, chocolate, bottles, gifts and hampers over the last few weeks. We really do appreciate your support in helping us to run these events. Santa's Grotto booked up very quickly last week. If you have booked a visit, please queue at your allocated time slot.

We hope you can come and join us in some great festive fun! **Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult.**

BLUE HOUSE ONLY – Non-Uniform Day Friday 29th November.

Congratulations to Blue House for winning the House Points last half term! Usually, the reward for winning the half term is an extra break – but we have changed it this year to a non-uniform day.

Therefore, on Friday 29th November, children who are in Blue House ONLY do not have to wear uniform. However, for those in Red, Yellow and Green House, it's uniform as normal that day!!



ROLL OF HONOUR

Attendance Award.

Each week this goes to the class with the best attendance:

This week – **4A**

Golden Bin.

Each week this is awarded to the class who have kept their classroom the tidiest. This week – **3A**

Caritas Award

Each week this is awarded to the best class for showing Love, Faith and Hope

This week – **Year 2**

Star of the Week

The parents of all children on the Roll of Honour for getting a certificate are warmly invited to our school assembly on Monday at 9am to see their child receive their award.

Foundation: Jax G for showing determination and a positive attitude towards his learning

Foundation: Hannah H for her lovely singing whilst practising for our Nativity.

Year 1 – Lacey J for beautiful presentation in all her work and trying very hard in all her lessons!!

Year 1/2 - Derrick F for giving it all in everything and producing some lovely work.

Year 2- Archie N for pushing himself in his spelling! He uses his spare time in class to practice writing common exception words! Super attitude!

3O - Carter R-D for excellent ball control and dribbling skills during the Y3 Playing Edstart PE lesson. Well done Carter!

3A - Roux H-McG for a superb character description of Starjik, from the Ice Palace. Well done!

4O - Martin R for listening carefully in class, following instructions and trying his best in maths this week. Well done Martin!

4A - Elyas S for mature reading and a very well-developed vocabulary.

5O - Jacob J-R for growing in maturity and confidence during lessons!

5A - Lottie C for excellent listening skills and superb comprehension skills!

6O - - Amelia H for becoming a mature member of year 6!

6A - Cadence C for growing in confidence and for being her polite and respectful manner. Well done!

Guitarist of the week – Harry N (3A) for having super technique when playing "Easy Bees"

Ukulele Player of the week - Duchess A (Year 2) for her confident playing.

Handwriting Award & Presentation Award- Alexander M (5O) for an amazing effort to improve his handwriting skills

Assistant Head Award - Ava S (6O) s for being a fantastic role model

Deputy Head Award – Lydia F (Year 2) for excellent concentration during art lesson when mixing primary colours into secondary colours.

Headteacher Award – Arthur P (Year 1) Arthur has worked so hard in all his lessons this week and produced a fantastic piece of Art using primary and secondary colours. Keep up the hard work Arthur!

DATES FOR DIARY

Below are important Dates for Diary for the week ahead.

27.11.24 – First Holy Communion – First Confession 6pm-7pm

28.11.24 – Christmas Fair 3.15pm – 5pm

29.11.24 – BLUE HOUSE children only - Non-Uniform Day

1.12.24 – First Holy Communion Sunday Liturgy

4.12.24 – Own Clothes Day for SS Osmund & Andrew's Fest Day – whole school

5.12.24 - Christmas Dinner Day. Children can wear a Christmas Jumper with their uniform.

6.12.24 – Pantomime Trip Y1-Y6 – children back at school for approximately 4.30pm

If you would like to see our Dates for Diary for the year ahead, please [click here](#).

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

All parents and Carers invited into school to watch their children: 9am start

- **Foundation** - Tuesday 1st July
- **Year 1** - Friday 17th January
- **Year 2** - Friday 31st January
- **Year 3** - Friday 21st March
- **Year 5** - Friday 11th July.
- **Year 6** - Y6 Leavers' Assembly – Friday 4th July at 9.00am
- **Year 6** – Class Assembly Thursday 17th 9am. Leavers Assembly Friday 18th July at 9.00am

Wednesday 4th December – Party Clothes Day

Each year, we like to take some time to celebrate our patron saints, St Osmund and St Andrew. We normally aim to do this on St Andrew's Day which is 30th November – but it's a Saturday this year!!

St Osmund's Feast Day is **Wednesday 4th December**.

Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas Dinner Day is on **Thursday 5th December**. If your child is on packed lunches and you have ordered them a Christmas dinner, please make a payment on ParentPay of £2.55 against the 'School Meals' payment item (Nursery, Y3-Y6). Children can wear a Christmas jumper on this day, **with** their school uniform.

Christmas Pantomime – Friday 6th December

As per the letter emailed home, we will be taking children in Year 1 – Year 6 to watch Aladdin at the Victoria Halls on **Friday 6th December**. The pantomime is in the afternoon, and we aim to be back at school for 4.30pm. **Please do not park near to school on Brodick Drive for pick up on this day. We will have several coaches that will need to park on the school side of the road so that we can safely get the children off the coaches and back into school. Children will return to their classrooms and be released from their normal classroom door.**

Next Year's Term Dates

Last week, the Governors met and determined next year's term dates. As a school, SS Osmund & Andrew's always try to stay in line with Thornleigh. It has been noted that Thornleigh finish early on the last day before Christmas and the last day of the Summer Term as a thank you from the governors to the children and staff for their efforts through the year. The governors of SS Osmund & Andrew's would like to give their own thank you to the staff and children of our school also, as well as help for families that are doing things together to have children at both schools doing a similar thing. And of course, assist those children at Thornleigh who come and collect children from SSOA at hometime.

This will start in the NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR (not this one!!) **2025-26**.

School will close at 2pm on 19th December **2025** and 17th July **2026**.

We wanted to give as much notice as possible. The term dates have been emailed home and can be found on our website [here](#).

Baby Bank

Thank you for all your kind donations which we have received towards our Baby Bank. We are continuing to collect the following items.

For baby: Nappies, baby wipes, baby bottle, dummies, nappy sacks, baby formula, baby lotion, blankets, muslin cloths, baby clothes, baby food

For mum: Shower gel, soap, sanitary products

If you wish, you can send a donation into school and school will purchase items that are most needed.

Wednesday Word

The latest edition of the Wednesday Word can be found [here](#).



ATTENDANCE

Well done to class **4A** who had the highest attendance last week.

Whole school attendance last week was as follows:

Foundation 1	95%
Foundation 2	93.6%
Year 1	91.7%
Year 1/2	93.3%
Year 2	94.7%
30	93.3%
3A	93.3%
40	92.3%
4A	97.4%
50	92.3%
5A	88.5%
60	92.1%
6A	91%
Whole School	93%



PARISH INFORMATION



Mass Times this Weekend

- Saturday: 5.30pm at St Osmund's
- Sunday: 9.30am at St Teresa's
- Sunday: 11.00am at St Osmund's

The latest Parish Newsletter and further Parish information, please visit the Parish [website](#).

Reminder of the Week.

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.

All of our reminders and important information can be found [here](#).