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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 listen to what you say. I show that I am listening to you.

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this:
Everyone should be quick to listen,
slow to speak and slow to become angry.

James 1:19

.Our Next Break:

Our next break is for the February half term break. School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 14th February 2025
We reopen at 8.45am on Monday 24th February 2025.

NSPCC Rocks

On Friday 7th February, we will be joining thousands of schools across the UK in supporting [NSPCC Rocks](#). The children's charity has teamed up with Times Tables Rock Stars to celebrate NSPCC Number Day. On this day, children can come in their own clothes (with numbers on if possible). If you would like to make a donation to the NSPCC to help support their services such as Speak out Stay safe and Childline, you can do so using the following link [Donate | NSPCC](#)

Illness in School

As per the email sent home on Tuesday, we have seen a rise in 'cold' type illnesses in school. We are promoting good hand hygiene within school. If your child is unwell with a temperature, please keep them at home

First Holy Communion – Next Meeting

The next meeting is for parents and children: **Sunday, 9th February**, at 11:00am Mass at St Osmund's Church

Valentines Disco

We will be holding a Valentines Disco on **Tuesday 11th February 3.15pm-4.15pm**. Tickets are £2 each and will be available to purchase via ParentPay from Friday 31st January – Friday 7th February. There are a limited number of tickets which will be sold on a first come first serve basis.

Easter Bingo

After last year's successful event, we will again this year have an Easter Bingo Night. This will be on Tuesday 18th March at 6pm. Further information will follow soon. On Friday 7th March, we will be holding a non-uniform day when we are asking for donations of Easter Eggs.

School Council – How We Feel Safe in School

The children on the School Council have met this week and have been discussing how they feel safe at SS Osmund & Andrew's. Here's what they said...

"My name is Leon and I think everyone is safe at school because no-one gets hurt unless they fall over."

"My name is Tamara and I feel safe because there are teachers everywhere and we have alarms to warn us if there is a fire."

"My name is Daniel and I feel safe because there are rules."

"My name is Poppy and I feel safe as there are teachers who can help us physically and mentally."

"My name is Frankie and I feel safe because none of the fire doors are blocked."

"My name is Willow and I feel safe because we talk about being safe online in assembly and we talk about British Values."

"My name is Elsie and I feel safe because there is a safety rule in school."

"My name is Amalia and I feel safe because all the teachers are there to help us when we are upset and hurt."

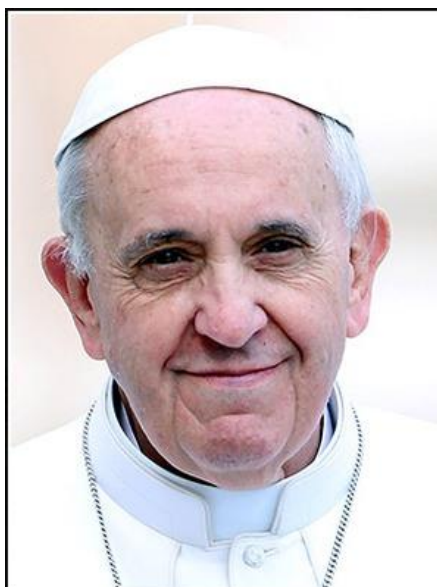
Message from our SENDCo Mrs Walker

At SSOA, we follow the Local Authorities Graduated Approach for SEND. This includes class teacher and the SEND teams' classroom observations, over a period of time. If the gap to your child's learning is increasing, teachers' make reasonable adjustments, in class to support any suspected needs. Class teachers will make you aware of any adjustments that are supporting your child, in school. Similarly, if you have made some adjustments, at home don't hesitate to let the class teacher know. They will do their best to support them in school.

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to school from Tuesday 11th March to Tuesday 18th March. It will be held each night after school in the school hall.

The Jubilee Year, Pilgrims of Hope: A quote from Pope Francis...



May we try to listen and be silent in
order to make space for the beauty
of God.

— *Pope Francis* —

AZ QUOTES

ROLL OF HONOUR

Attendance Award.

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

This week – **Year 1/2 (Mr Brook's Class): 99%**

Golden Bin.

Each week this is awarded to the class who have kept their classroom the tidiest. This week – **Year 4O**

Caritas Award

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

This week – **Foundation**

Star of the Week

Each 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. Year 3 certificates from the last 2 weeks will be given out in Monday's assembly.

Foundation: Lincoln H for listening to and following instructions on how to use a number fan correctly.

Foundation: Levi A for making some lovely pre-writing shapes.

Year 1 – Marley D for his effort and enthusiasm in Phonics

Year 1/2 – Alicia W - Alicia continues to make incredible progress, producing some amazing writing. Well done Alicia!

Year 2- Alex McK for consistently improving with his presentation. Alex pushes himself every day to do his best handwriting in all his books!

3O – Sofia S for determination and perseverance with using part whole model to divide. Well done Sofia

3A – George R for being a positive member of the class, and taking responsibility with his own learning especially his times tables, keep going!

4O – Madeline H for her brilliant answers in every lesson and trying hard even when things get tricky

4A – George E for intelligent questions about miracles in RE.

5O – Zuza S for excellent contribution in the classroom and across the school!

5A – Best O for showing great reverence towards her faith and always working super hard in class!

6O – Riha A for a fantastic contribution in dodgeball at St Joseph's high school this week!

6A – Charlee T for having high expectations of herself and for being a responsible and respectful member of 6A. Well done!

Handwriting & Presentation Award – Franki B (F) for a superb effort to form letters correctly!

Reading Award – Oliver G (6O)

Assistant Head Teacher Award – Rogan K (Y1) for writing a superb fairy-tale story!

Deputy Head Teacher Award – Huzaifah R (4A) - for an excellent rhyming couplet poem.

Head Teacher Award – Ava S (6O) for a great piece of writing on how to create a Tempest.

Well done to our swimmers!

A huge shout out goes to all of class 3O and 3A for being brilliant at their swimming lessons and for their politeness and impeccable manners on the coach to the bus driver. We are super proud of them all!! What great ambassadors for our school.

DATES FOR DIARY

Below are important Dates for Diary for the week ahead.

31.1.25 – Year 2 Class Assembly 9am

07.02.25 – NSPCC Rocks

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

If anyone has any unwanted Christmas presents that they would like to donate to school, these would be warmly received and will be put towards future fundraising events.
Thank you

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

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

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



The message: **The Good News** – that we can be with God in Heaven – is for **everyone!**

Wednesday Word

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



First Holy Communion Programme 2025

BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI PARISH
ST. OSMUND'S CHURCH, Bolton, BL2 6EB

| EVENT | VENUE | DATE & TIME |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Sunday Liturgies | Church – Side Room | Sunday, 9 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> |

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 1 / 2 who had the highest attendance last week.

Whole school attendance last week was as follows:

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Foundation 1 | 96.67% |
| Foundation 2 | 97.7% |
| Year 1 | 94% |
| Year 1/2 | 90.7% |
| Year 2 | 97% |
| 30 | 93.7% |
| 3A | 97.3% |
| 40 | 90.3% |
| 4A | 94.5% |
| 50 | 90% |
| 5A | 94.6% |
| 60 | 96.9% |
| 6A | 94.7% |
| Whole School | 95.1% |



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.

Phone Numbers

It is very important that school has an up to date phone number so that we can contact you in the case of an emergency. Please ensure that if you have changed your mobile number, that the office has been informed. Thank you.

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