

Newsletter 17: Friday 18th January 2019

Dear Parents,

Very well done – to our Year 5 and 6 athletes who came joint first at the Indoor Athletics Competition held at Broadwater School yesterday afternoon. The competition was very close with only four points between the top three schools. Thank you to Mrs McCarthy for her inspirational leadership and to the children for working so hard.



Wellness Week – began today! It got off to a great start this morning with a special assembly and then a healthy snack sale at morning breaktime. Please have a look at our website for the many and varied events which are on offer during the course of this week ('News and Events' and then 'Outings and Events') or by clicking [here](#).

Thank you to the PSA and parents for all their hard work in making this week possible.

School Mass – this term's school Mass is fast approaching (27th January). Thank you to those who responded to our email earlier this week; we remain hopeful of receiving a couple more volunteers especially to help with the longer readings and bidding prayers.



Admissions – we have a space in our **Year 1 class** which we would like to fill. If you know anyone who might be interested in this, please tell them to get in touch.



ParentMail app – have you downloaded the app? As more letters and forms are sent out on ParentMail, using the app is the easiest way to pick up messages on your phone or tablet without having to log into your emails each time. Search for ParentMail in your app store.

St Michael's in Manni, Burkina Faso – this week we took delivery of the footballs and skipping ropes which we will be giving to our friends in Burkina Faso next month. We have been keeping a close eye on how safe (or otherwise) it is to travel to and around Burkina Faso at this time. The town of Manni is in the north east of the country where there have been increasing threats to European travellers from cells (based in Mali) of members of 'Al'Qaeda of the Islamic Maghreb'. Mrs Nicholls is going to see how the land lies once she is in Burkina Faso visiting her own projects, and will make a decision as to whether or not it is safe to go to Manni.



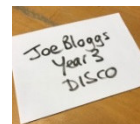
Headteacher's Blog – every Friday Mrs Higgins writes about what has been happening in school during the week in her Headteacher's Blog in the website. Do remember to have a look every week to keep yourselves up to date by going here: <http://www.stedmundsschool.co.uk/page/default.asp?pid=124>



Parent Consultations – as you will have seen from the dates on the back page of the newsletter, the next Parent Consultation evenings will be 11th and 13th February. On Monday 4th February you should receive an email from ParentMail to let you know that the booking lines are open. Please ensure that you book

one appointment only for each child; we cannot accommodate separate parental appointments. There will, of course, be the facility for those who do not use ParentMail to book an appointment – just look out for the hardcopy letter which will be sent home. Having made your booking you should then be able to amend/change it subsequently if necessary.

Paying for things? – just a little reminder that, if you are coming to the office to pay for something in cash, you ensure that you bring it to the office as **correct cash** and **in an envelope** clearly marked as to what the cash is for.



Also, if you are paying for things online, could we ask you to consider paying by card rather than Paypal Express. This is because Paypal Express is much more expensive for us. Thank you.

Weekday Masses in the parish – Fr David would love to welcome you to the parish weekday Masses. Starting at 9.30am and lasting just 25 minutes, they are in Milford on Wednesdays and Fridays, and in Godalming on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please keep an eye on the parish newsletter as Masses are subject to change from time to time if Father David has commitments elsewhere.



The Pen Shop (Mon + Fri) – ordinary pencils 10p; push pencils 30p (KS2 only); rubbers 5p; short rulers 10p; long rulers 15p; handwriting pens 25p; glue sticks 40p; sharpeners 25p; reading records 25p; homework diaries 30p and highlighters 50p.



DATES FOR THIS TERM (items highlighted are new)		DATES FOR THIS TERM continued	
Mon 21 Jan	Surrey Uni in school for Y5&6	Tue 12 Mar	Bikeability for Y4 (+ Wed 13 th)
Fri 25 Jan	9.05am Year 1 Assembly	Wed 13 Mar	Y1 to Painshill Park
Sun 27 Jan	10.15am School Mass at Milford	Fri 15 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass; CAFOD Fast Day
Fri 1 Feb	3.30pm Year 2 Cake Sale	Fri 22 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass
	3.30pm PSA Film Show		9.05am Y5 Assembly
Tue 5 Feb	Safer Internet Day		3.30pm PSA Film Show
	11.30am Choir leave for the 02 Arena	Thu 20 Mar	Y2 Infant Singing at Rodborough
Fri 8 Feb	9.05am Year 4 Assembly	Tue 26 Mar	3pm Rock Steady Concert
	5.45pm PSA Masquerade Disco	Wed 27 Mar	Hydestile Animal Rescue in school (Y3)
Mon 11 Feb	Year 3 to Winchester Science Museum	Fri 29 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass
	3.40pm Parent Consultations (ends 6.30pm)		3pm Mothers' Day Celebration YR
Wed 13 Feb	2.15pm Parents' Forum	Wed 3 Apr	2pm Easter Egg Hunt
	3.40pm Parent Consultations (ends 6.10pm) Fri 15		7pm Passion Play in school
Feb	Year 4 to GLive; 3.30pm close for half-term	Thu 4 Apr	9.30am End of Term Mass
Mon 25 Feb	INSET – school closed	Fri 5 Apr	2pm close for the Easter Holiday
Tue 26 Feb	Children return to school		
Thu 28 Feb	3.40pm Mrs Hua talk for Y6 parents about SATs		
Fri 1 Mar	3.30pm Y3 Cake Sale		
Wed 6 Mar	Ash Wednesday (start of Lent)		
Thu 7 Mar	World Book Day		
Fri 8 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass at school		
Mon 11 Mar	Pedals training for Y2		
		THIS YEAR'S DATES (2018-2019)	
		SPR: 3 Jan-5 Apr 2019 (half-term w/c 18 Feb)	
		SUM: 23 Apr-24 Jul 2019 (half-term w/c 27 May)	
		REMAINING INSETS : 25 th Feb and 14 th June 2019	

Ethos Statement 14: I try to follow our school and classroom rules



We pray together: Father, you give us rules to keep us and others safe and close to you. Help us to do our very best to be obedient to both your rules and the rules at school. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.



The Pope Speaks: The love of the Father, which we all received on the day of our baptism, is a flame that has been kindled in our hearts. It asks to be nourished through prayer and charity. Ask yourself, 'when was I baptised?' Then, do not forget it; let it be a date stored in your heart to celebrate every year.

Money Matters: first half of the Spring Term 2019

Dinners (KS2 ONLY): £73.60 (32 days at £2.30 between Thu 3rd Jan to Fri 15 Feb 2019)
Governors' Fund: £20 per family per term, cheques payable to "A&B Diocesan Trust St Edmund's"
Outings: Cheques payable to "St Edmund's School Fund" or pay online via PMX ParentMail
PSA Website: www.stedmundsschoolpsa.co.uk

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