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St Oswald's Catholic Community:
With Christ at the centre of our
community, our mission is to live,
love and learn as Jesus taught us.

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The Newsletter

Spring term no. 10 – 27th March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Update since the last newsletter:

Huge Congratulations to Mrs Stone and her family as they welcomed baby Henry Stone on 22nd March!

- Congratulations to Isaac in Y2! Isaac received a special certificate from Kingsfold Library this week for completing the Lancashire Reading Trail which involved reading and reviewing 50 books! [Lancashire Reading Trail - Lancashire County Council](#)
- Thank you for supporting the Fairtrade break times over the past 2 weeks to raise money for CAFOD. We have raised £300 which will buy a CAFOD World Gift. The School Council will meet next week to choose which gift they wish to purchase.
- The Yoga and Mindfulness Festival was super, every class enjoyed the session. The Yoga Instructor commented on how brilliantly the children joined in.
- Y4, Y5 and Y6 worked with the Education Team from BAE yesterday, taking part in the STEM project 'Roving Robots'. It was a fantastic session; the children learned about cyber security, encryption, using a cipher wheel and finished with a team challenge linked to robots.
- Y6 had a visit from Mrs Hall, Head of Y7 at All Hallows on Wednesday for a question and answer session about starting All Hallows in September.
- The pop up shop for Mother's Day was a great success, raising £360 profit! Thank you for supporting the fundraiser - the new Forest School Lodge has been ordered ready for the summer term.

Don't forget:

- PTFA Easter Egg Raffle tickets are on sale. Each class are selling raffle tickets for the chance to win an Easter Egg in the final Golden Assembly of the term on Friday 4th April. Raffle tickets are 50p each. Please send in raffle ticket money in an envelope marked with your child's name.

Volunteer needed:

Y5/Y6 boys football club need an extra body so if a parent/grandparent would like to volunteer, we would be really grateful. The club runs on a Wednesday 3.15pm – 4.15pm. If you can offer your help, let the office know asap. Many thanks.

Coming up:

Friday 28th March -Y5 will attend Mass at 9.30am. All welcome.

Friday 28th March -Y1 Mothers Day Assembly 2.40pm in the School Hall. Y1 Parents invited.

Wednesday 2nd April - Y2 walk to Longton Library for a story session in the morning.

Wednesday 2nd April - School Meal Promotion 'Easter Lunch' If your child is normally on packed lunches and would like to have a school meal on this date, please complete slip (newsletter no.9) and return to school no later than Monday 31st March. Pupils who normally have a school meal will be automatically included in the promotion. Payment of £2.70 should be made through ParentPay please. The menu is Roast Chicken or Vegetarian Sausage with Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy or Lancashire Cheese & Potato Pie followed by Easter Treat Desserts.

Wednesday 2nd April -Reception 'Spring Stay and Play' 2-3pm. If you have a child in Reception and would like to come along, please complete the slip (newsletter no.9) and send it in so we know numbers for the session.

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Thursday 3rd April -Mrs Nowak and her team will be selling cakes on the playground 3.15pm.

Thursday 3rd April - Y6 will be leading the whole school with an Easter Liturgy in church at 2pm. Parents most welcome.

Thursday 3rd April- PTFA Family Easter Bingo 6.30-8.00pm. Free tickets are available from the office.

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Bingo Books available on the night for £2. Prizes to be won, tuck shop open, tea and coffee available. Come along for a fun night with the family!

Friday 4th April - Easter Egg Raffle winners will be announced in the final Golden Assembly of the term.

Friday 4th April – Rock Steady Concert 2pm in the hall for parents who attend the band sessions with Nathan and Connor.

School closes Friday 4th April at 3.15pm (After School Club running as normal) We re-open for the Summer Term on Tuesday 22nd April.

Summer Term Uniform:

We return on the 22nd April in the summer uniform.

Boys: School polo shirt with logo, school sweatshirt with logo, grey trousers or shorts, grey socks & black school shoes.
Girls: Green/white gingham dress, school sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan with logo, white socks, black school shoes, green scrunchies, green headbands or green bobbles are allowed.
Some girls have worn the yellow polo and grey shorts as their summer uniform which is absolutely fine.

Our uniform supplier is Justs in Penwortham who are very helpful for all uniform requirements. We do also have good quality pre-loved uniform items including summer dresses. Please call in to the office if you wish to take anything.

Let's hope for a summer full of sunny days!

Nut Allergies:

As we see an increase of children with nut allergies, we are reminding parents of the important information below:

St Oswald's is a Nut-Free School. Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. If someone has a nut allergy, it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts e.g., Nutella, can trigger an anaphylactic shock which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties. As a school we have a responsibility to keep all pupils, staff and visitors safe reducing any risk of harm so pupils, staff and visitors must not bring products containing nuts into school either in lunch boxes or as snacks. **To be clear, the following items must NOT be brought into school in packed lunches or for Breakfast Club:**

- Packets of nuts
- Peanut butter/Nutella sandwiches
- Cereals / Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. No items containing nuts are prepared in the school kitchen.

MMR Vaccine:

Please find attached a letter from NHS Northwest regarding the MMR vaccine.

Community News:

As the Easter holidays approach Fairtrade Preston & South Ribble are once more organising The Great Preston Fairtrade Egg Hunt. Please find details attached.

Leyland Warriors Rugby Club are holding a recruitment day on Saturday 29th March. Please see flyer attached.

And finally...

Exciting news that over the Easter holidays the Y5/Y6 toilets for the girls and boys will be refurbished!

A sensory room will also be created; this is a space that is specifically designed to provide a safe and therapeutic environment for individuals with a variety of sensory requirements so this will be a welcome addition to resourcing for our SEND pupils (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities).

As always, please get in touch if you have any queries or concerns.

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