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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**  
**Autumn term no.13 – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021**  
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Dear Parents/Carers

**Up-date since the last newsletter:**

- **Due to the number of rising cases throughout the school, we have once again been placed at Tier 2 with Public Health England. We are carrying out all the necessary measures that have been recommended to us and ask that you do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms. We currently have the most cases we have ever had as we head into the final week of school so please take care and keep lateral flowing.**
- Y6 visited The Museum of Lancashire on Tuesday as part of their history topic 'WW1' The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit and learned so much!
- The Infant Nativity was filmed and put on the website yesterday. All 102 children were exceptional and we do hope you enjoy watching it over and over again!
- A School Calendar has been sent home with your child (one per family) on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. If you wish to purchase the calendar, please pay £5.00 to your ParentPay account. If you wish for more than 1 copy, please pay for the amount i.e £10.00 for 2 calendars and we will send another calendar home with your child. We would be very grateful if you could try and support our school by buying the calendar as we do not have the same opportunities to raise any additional funds from our usual events at the moment! A charge of £5.00 has been applied to your ParentPay account of the eldest sibling. Please return the calendar back to school in pristine condition by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December if you do not wish to keep it and the charge will be removed. Thank you.
- Raffle tickets (2 books / family) were sent home with your child on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November but not many tickets have been returned so The Grand Christmas Draw will take place now on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** which gives another weekend to get tickets back to us! Please return all raffle ticket stubs and money by **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December**. Thank you, your support is greatly appreciated.
- The new school meal menus have arrived and your child should have brought a copy home on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. The menu is currently running on Week 1 (green) and will continue to follow the weekly menu cycle which is colour coded on the bottom of the menu.
- The Y6 School Council have been busy producing a fantastic newsletter 'The Learning Times' which is attached to this newsletter for you to read about what the children are enjoying in their learning at the moment. Great job Y6 School Council. We are already looking forward to Edition 2!

**Coming Up:**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Grand Christmas Post Day! Today is the day that children can bring their Christmas cards to school for their friends if they wish.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Jumper Day. Children can replace their school jumper or cardigan for a Christmas jumper or make their school jumper look Christmassy! A donation of £1 will be collected at the gate on the day. All proceeds towards Save the Children Fund.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Lunch. Unfortunately we are unable to accept any last minute orders for Christmas Lunch as the kitchen have now finalised the numbers. If your child is on a packed lunch, please make it a festive one, every child in the school will be given a Christmas cracker!

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** The PTFA have organised a Sponsored Santa 1 mile Dash to raise money towards our Forest School Project. The children can wear a Christmas hat, Santa beard or the full Santa outfit if they wish! Sponsor forms were sent home with your child on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November. The event should be great fun, keep us fit and raise some money! Sponsor money can be sent in in an envelope after the event!

**W/c Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** Each of the Junior Classes will be performing a couple of carols on the playground at 3.05pm before school finishes every day this week. We will be opening the gates at 3pm so you can enjoy a bit of festive cheer with us. The PTFA will be running a festive Cake Stall too!  
Y3 - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 3.05pm  
Y4 -Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> 3.05pm  
Y5 -Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> 3.05pm  
Y6- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 3.05 pm

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** Intrahealth School Nursing Team will return to school to do a 'mop up' session for children who were absent and missed their nasal flu vaccination on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December** Children can visit the Christmas Pop up Shop in school to buy Christmas presents for Mums and Dads. Every present will be £2.50. Please send money in an envelope with your child's name on.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** **School closes at 1.30 pm. We re-open on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.**

#### **Reminders:**

- Primary School Admissions 2022 – the closing date is **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022** for your application for a Primary School place for September 2022. Please remember to return the Supplementary Faith Form with a copy of your child's baptism certificate. Don't forget!
- Payments for School Meals & Early Birds – After several reminders there are still debts accruing for school meals and Early Birds Club for some pupils. Please ensure that you check your balance on ParentPay on a regular basis and make payments as necessary to keep your account in credit. If debts remain unpaid, school meals and/or Early Birds Club may have to be withdrawn until payment has been made as accounts have to be in credit.

#### **Holiday List 2022/2023:**

Please find attached the dates for the next academic year.

Holidays during term time are not permitted unless there are exceptional circumstances. Parents are expected to arrange family holidays or other absences to coincide with school holidays. Thank you for your co-operation as every day counts for your child and their learning.

#### **Kooth North West – Mental Health and Wellbeing Resources:**

Kooth provide free, safe and anonymous support to all young people on Kooth.com across the North. All resources and engagement offers are FREE for schools, services and young people to access. Please find attached Kooth Parent and Carer Brochure which contain tips on talking to young people about mental health, early warning signs for anxiety and depression.

And finally ...

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

Yours sincerely

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