

St Oswald's Catholic Primary School Headteacher - Mrs B Wood Chapel Lane Longton Preston PR4 5EB 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 Friday Newsletter
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### PLEASE READ THE NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

#### **COVID Reference Guide for Parents:**

Please find attached latest COVID-19 information in the school setting. Please refer to the updated information regarding face coverings on the school premises. We are asking all adults who come on to the premises for Drop and Go, Collect and Go or if you need to visit the school office to wear a face covering from Monday unless you are exempt from doing so. As a school we are doing everything that we can to keep everyone safe so your support would be appreciated. Also please find added information on the Reference Guide which is highlighted in yellow.

### **Home Practice:**

Every Friday your child's Class Teacher will upload to the Class Page the weekly basic skills tasks that need to be completed. The tasks are designed to be a little and often over the week. Reading is essential for every child every night. We will be launching a digital library shortly on the website to ensure that you can access additional reading books at any time. Please let us know if you need any support with iPad or laptops.

## **Home Learning:**

If your child is absent from school due to self-isolation, we will provide Home Learning for them as well as their weekly Home Practice. Each class page on the website has a Home Learning link so you can access learning resources as well as collecting a pack from school which will have been prepared for your child within 2 days of the absence starting.

#### PE:

We are doing as much PE as we can outside so during the colder weather your child can wear jogging/tracksuit bottoms as part of their PE kit. They can be black, navy, grey or green!

All of our routines are being kept under constant review.

#### **Harvest Festival:**

We will be collecting tins, packets, etc. for our Harvest Festival which the children will be celebrating at their Collective Worships on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Boxes will be provided outside the entrance area every morning from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September for donations. All the food that we receive will be donated to local Foodbanks and to the homeless shelter in Preston. Many thanks.

## **School Starter Photographs:**

Children in Reception Class will come home today with a proof and order form for the First Days photograph which will be published in the Lancashire Evening Post. If you wish to purchase the photograph, please return the order form and payment in the envelope provided by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**. We will let you know once we know when the photograph will appear in the 'School Starters 2020' supplement of the newspaper.

# School Meal Promotion - Takeaway Thursday! - Thursday 1st October:

Reminder regarding our next school meal promotion on Thursday 1 October for anyone who doesn't normally have a school lunch. The takeaway choices are either Fish & Chips, Burger & Chips or Pizza & Chips served in a takeaway box!

If you would like your child to have a school meal on this date, please complete the slip (last week's newsletter no.3) stating your child's menu choice and return to school. Alternatively you can email school with the details. We have extended the deadline date to **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September**. If your child is already having a school meal, they will automatically be included in this event.

We would like as many pupils as possible to take up the Takeaway Thursday event as it coincides with the annual School Census which informs the next Budget Year so the more children we have on a school meal that day, the better our school meal budget will be! Every little helps at the moment.

### **Annual Nasal Flu Vaccinations:**

The Intrahealth Team will be in school on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November to deliver the Annual Nasal Flu programme. Your child will come home with a consent form today for you to complete. Please read and complete either the YES form or NO form in full (one per child) and return to school by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**. The nursing team will be wearing PPE and a full risk assessment has been carried out.

# **Community News:**

Reminder a treasure hunt around Longton Village has been arranged to raise money for Christian Aid's Emergency and Development work. The treasure hunt will take place on Saturday  $26^{th}$  September (10.00 am - 5.00 pm) and Sunday 27th (11.00am - 5.00 pm) starting and finishing at 16 Franklands, Longton. Approximate time 2-2.5 hours. Admission £5.00 per question sheet. 3 prizes to be won. Telephone 01772 613500 if you require more information.

And finally.....

A big thank you to David Hall Carpets for providing school with brand new carpet squares for our music sessions. Mrs Winter is very grateful!

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch by email or phone; we will always do our best to help.

Have a lovely weekend, see you all on Monday and don't forget your face covering if you are picking up from the playground!

Yours sincerely

B Wood Headteacher