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The Newsletter

Summer Term No 2 –29th April 2021

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Dear Parents,

Dates for May: Monday 3rd May Bank Holiday Friday 7th May Mrs Washington and Mrs Hall from All Hallows will be here at St Oswald's to spend part of the morning with Y6 as part of this years transition programme. Tuesday 11th -Thursday 13th May Catch up phone calls -reminder that all slips to request telephone appointments must be returned to school by Friday 30th April. Monday 17th May Y6 Bike checks by Mrs Cookson. Y6 will need to bring their bike and helmet to school for the day. Thursday 20 May 'Spring into Summer' School Meal Promotion – please return the slip back by Friday 14th May if you would like your child to have a school meal on this date (slip on Newsletter dated 22nd April). Monday 24th -Friday 28th May Y6 to complete the Cycling Profiency Programme and the Bikeability programme. Bikes and helmets are to be brought into school (letter to be issued to Y6 on Fridav 30th April). Monday 24th May Class Photographs by School Photographer. It's time to dress up again to raise money this time for our new collection of books Friday 28th May for the library. We need more fact books for all the children who love to find out about everything! The theme this time is ' Role Reversal' The children can come dressed as a teacher for the day and staff will be wearing school uniform! Just make a donation in the buckets provided at the gate. Thank you for supporting our Dress Up days as they have provided a fun way to raise funds that have enabled us to provide great resources for all our children including new reading books across the school, picnic tables and parasols so we can use the outside space even more! Monday 31st May -Friday 5th June Half term **Online Safety for Key Stage 2:**

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Just a reminder to make regular checks to make sure that your child is being appropriate when engaging online. We do have regular chats with the children about keeping themselves safe online.

Free School Meals/ Pupil Premium:

Free school meals are provided for all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 as part of the Government initiative, please may I remind you that for those pupils who have a STATUTORY entitlement to free school meals (those pupils whose parents are in receipt of benefits, such as Income Support, etc.) of the importance to still register for Pupil Premium. School can benefit from additional funding through the Pupil Premium which is worth over £1000 per pupil for the school once registration has been completed, so please check if you are entitled as school benefits greatly! A comprehensive list of the benefit entitlements is listed below and also on the application forms which are available from the trays by the school office. The criteria has changed slightly, therefore if you think that there may be a possibility, please call 01772 531809 to confirm if you are entitled, it's worth doing. Please ensure you have your NI number handy!

• Universal Credit with a household income of less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, **not** entitled to Working Tax Credit and household income less than £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you finish work

Please click on the link below for further information:

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals It really is worth trying to see if you qualify!

Summer Term Key Dates
Sports Days:
Tuesday 22 nd June 2.30pm Year 1
Thursday 24 th June 2.30pm Reception
Monday 28 th June 2.30pm Year 2
Thursday 1 st July 2.30pm Year 3
Monday 5 th July 2.30pm Year 6
Tuesday 6 th July 2.30pm Year 5
Wednesday 7 th July 2.30pm Year 4
Year 6 Events:
Y6 Production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Friday 9 th July
9.30am and 11.00am
Y6 Visit to Borwick Hall – Monday 12 th July
Y6 Leavers Assembly – Wednesday 17 July 9.15 am
Y6 Retreat Day to Liverpool Cathedral – Date tbc

Admin Reminders:

- A week's notice **must** be given in writing if you wish your child to change from packed lunches to school meals, or vice-versa. This is normal school policy thank you for your co-operation.
- Should you need to send a message or a letter into school please send them in with your child as they will be collected in the 'Class Box' each morning and delivered to the school office, Class teacher or Headteacher as appropriate. It is therefore not necessary to deliver envelopes yourself to the school office unless you feel it is absolutely necessary. This will encourage pupils to be responsible for letters to and from home and avoid adults making unnecessary visits to the office.
- Check your child's bag on a regular basis to make sure you are not missing out on anything. Any letters issued are also put on the school website.

Absence (Medical/Dental Appointments, etc.):

Where possible, please try to make appointments out of school time. However, should you need to take your child out of school for an appointment, please provide school with a copy of the appointment card or letter <u>at least</u> two days in advance of the appointment. **If an appointment card is not available, please write a note or email the school with the details of the appointment and the time that you wish to collect your child.** Pupils should be collected from the Reception area near the school office. Please ensure that your child has been 'signed out" on collection. On your child's return to school, pupils must be brought to the school office and, again be 'signed in' by a parent, carer or family member. This is for health and safety and fire regulation purposes to ensure that all pupils are accounted for.

And finally...

We received great news this week that we have won a visit from an Olympic athlete in the Autumn Term. This was as a result of taking part in a survey with Active Lancashire. We are thrilled!

Take care,

Yours sincerely

B Wood Headteacher