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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

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Dear Parents,

Half term Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June

Dates after Half-term:

Tuesday 15th June	Y5/Y6 'Boxercise with Emily' starts for 5 weeks, last session Tuesday 13 th July 8.15am – 8.45am (letter issued Weds 26 th May to Y5/Y6).
Tuesday 22nd June	Year 1 Sports Day 2.30pm.
Tuesday 22nd June	New Intake Parents Meeting 6.30pm in the hall (1 adult with mask and no children please)
Wednesday 23rd June	"Little Owls' programme starts for our new intake! 9.15am – 11.45am.
Wednesday 23rd June	Y5 Taster Day at All Hallows (letter will be issued w/c 7 th June).
Thursday 24th June	Reception Sports Day 2.30pm
Friday 25th June	Y6 visit to All Hallows (Children who are not attending All Hallows are to be in school as normal)
Saturday 26th June.	First Holy Communion Mass This mass is for families and children in Year 5 (letter issued 14 th May with allocated time slot either 10 am or 12 noon) If you cannot make the time allocated, please let Fr Michael know asap so alternative arrangements can be made.
Monday 28th June.	School Nursing Team will be in school carrying out vision screening checks for Reception
Monday 28th June.	Year 2 Sports Day 2.30pm
Thursday 1st July	Year 3 Sports Day 2.30pm
Monday 5th July	Year 6 Sports Day 2.30pm
Monday 5th July	End of Year Reports to be sent home
Tuesday 6th July	Year 5 Sports Day 2.30pm
Wednesday 7th July	Year 4 Sports Day 2.30pm
Friday 9th July	6 Production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory 9.30am and 11.00am (Y6 Parents to be invited)
Monday 12th July	Y6 Visit to Borwick Hall for an extended day of outdoor activities (letter will be issued w/c 7 th June).

Wednesday 14th July

Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.15 am

Thursday 15th July

Y6 Retreat Day, Christ the King Cathedral, Liverpool then to Crosby Beach for picnic, walk on the beach and to see the Iron Men (letter will be issued w/c 7th June).

Friday 16th July

School closes for summer 1.30pm.

Letter to parents from the Director of Public Health:

Attached is a letter to parents from Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, Lancashire County Council's Director of Public Health, outlining some of the measures being taken to prevent further spread of Covid-19 in Lancashire's schools and colleges, following a rise in cases across the country.

Schools and colleges are kindly asked to share this with parents to help allay their concerns around some of the action, which is aimed at keeping pupils and staff safe and minimising disruption to education.

We have also attached the school's COVID-19 risk assessment which we review on a regular basis in accordance to the latest government's guidance for schools.

We are still being careful and following our Risk Assessment. Please continue to wear your masks and stick to timings for drop off and pick up. Please leave the premises as soon as you have collected your child.

School Meal Vouchers:

Free School Meal vouchers will be provided for half term from Edenred. If you are entitled (families with children on free school meals who are in receipt of benefits) you will receive an electronic supermarket voucher on Friday 28th May for the value of £15.00 per child (£30.00 for 2 children and £45.00 for 3 children).

Free school meals are provided for all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes as part of a Government initiative which began in September 2014. However, for those pupils who have a statutory entitlement to free school meals, i.e. those pupils whose parents/carers are in receipt of the benefits mentioned below, the school can benefit from additional funding called Pupil Premium. This is worth over £1000 per pupil for the school once you have registered your entitlement. The benefit entitlements are:

- Income support or Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, with an annual income of less than £16,190 and not in receipt of Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit

If you think you meet any of these criteria, we do urge you to register. All you need to do is complete a simple form which is available from the school office or, alternatively, contact LCC on 01772 531809 and provide them with the claimant's (parent's) name, date of birth and National Insurance number and they will be able to confirm over the phone whether or not you are entitled.

And finally...

Congratulations to the Y5 Bake Team who raised an amazing £100 for The Hen Trust. Brilliant effort.

The children have been brilliant dressing up as a Teacher for the day and we have raised £240! Many thanks as always for your support.

We are sending our very best wishes to Miss Hodson who will be getting married on Sunday and will return to school as Mrs Dexter. Let's hope for plenty of sunshine for her special day!

Wishing you all a safe and restful half term break. See you on Monday 7th June.

Yours sincerely

B Wood
Headteacher