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# The Newsletter Spring term no. 7 – 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 Follow us on twitter @StOswaldsCPS

## Reading the newsletter does help you to keep up to date with everything!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Coming up:

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** PTFA Meeting in school at 6.30pm. All welcome to come along to help plan and organise

the fundraising events. Save the Date ... Summer Fair will be Saturday 15th July

12-2.30pm!!!!

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** Y2 Assembly on the theme of Lent. Parents of Y2 pupils invited to the School Hall at

2.40pm.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** Y3 to attend the Parish Mass at 9.30am.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March** Y4 Sacramental Programme Mass at 10.30am for Y4 pupils and their families.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March** Netball Club re-opens for Y5/Y6 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March** Sacramental Programme session for Y4 and their parents 6.30-7.30pm in Church.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** Football Club re-opens for Y5/Y6 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March** Y4 trip to Formby Point and the Eco Centre as part of their Geography Studies on (letter

issued  $4^{th}$  Feb). If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £18.75 on ParentPay asap —thank you! Due to the nature of activities taking place, children are to wear old tracksuit bottoms (not jeans), **school jumper**, **shirt and tie**, sturdy shoes or strong footwear together with a warm, waterproof jacket or coat.

(Please ensure that your child is dressed warmly!)

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March** Y5 to attend the Parish Mass at 9.30am.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March** The Y6 Athletics team made it to the Lancashire Finals in Blackpool. Letters will be given

to the team with all the details next week.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March** Y2 trip to 'Bring Yer Wellies' as part of their Science Studies (letter issued 4<sup>th</sup> Feb). If you

have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £14.00 on ParentPay ASAP –thank you! Due to the nature of activities taking place, children are to wear old tracksuit bottoms, **school jumper**, **shirt and tie**, wellies (or strong footwear) together with a warm, waterproof jacket or coat. (Please ensure that your child is dressed

warmly!)

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** Freddy Fit in school to promote healthy lifestyles with every class. This is being funded

from our Sports Premium funding. Every child must have their PE Kit in school for the

event!

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March** Y1 Mother's Day Assembly 2.40pm in the School Hall. Y1 Parents invited.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March** Y4 Sacramental Programme Mass 10.30am for Y4 pupils and their families.

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March** Y4 Sacramental Programme Session 3 for Y4 and their parents 6.30-7.30pm in Church.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** Reception visit to Bring Yer Wellies as part of their Growing Topic (letter issued 9<sup>th</sup>

February).

**Sunday 26**<sup>th</sup> **March** Y4 Sacramental Programme Mass 10.30am for Y4 pupils and parents.

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March** Y4 Sacramental Programme Session 4 for Y4 and parents 6.30-7.30pm in Church.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** Last swimming lesson for Year 4. Y3 will start swimming in the summer term. Details to

follow towards the end of term.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March** World Book Day will be celebrated at St Oswald's as this ties in with International Book

Day! The children are invited to come to school dressed as a book character and can bring a book to school to join in with the Big Book Swap. All children will be given a free book to take home and enjoy. A love of reading is evident from so many children at St Oswald's! If you would like to share a story with a small group of children at the end of our World

Book Day, please fill in the slip below so we can plan the groups!

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March** School Meal Promotion – 'We love Reading'. If your child is normally on packed lunches

and would like to have a school meal on this date, please complete the attached slip and return to school no later than Tuesday  $28^{th}$  March. Pupils who normally have a school meal will be automatically included in the promotion. Payment of £2.40 should be made

through ParentPay please.

The menu will be Charlie's Crispy Chicken Burger with Potter's Pommes Noisettes or Quidditch Quorn BBQ Pasta & Cheese Bake served with Matilda's Medley of Vegetables

followed by Hungry Caterpillar Cupcake.

The school meal promotions really help to keep our School Meals budget afloat so it's great

that so many children join in! Thank you.

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** Y6 to attend the Parish Mass at 9.30am.

## School Term and Holiday Dates 2022/2023 - Additional Bank Holiday:

Following the Government's announcement of an additional one-off bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023.** Please find revised holiday list.

#### **PTFA News:**

The PTFA Valentine's Disco raised £990.50! Thank you for all your support.

Valentines Cake Sale raised £204 and Pancake Sale raised £95.00. Big thank you to Mrs Novak for all the baking!

## **REMINDER: Someone Special Flowers:**

The PTFA are selling individually potted and gift-wrapped primroses for that special person for Mother's Day. Plants are £3.00 each or you can buy 2 plants or more for just £2.50 each. An order form is attached and available from the school office. All orders and payment MUST be received in school by **Wednesday 1**st **March.** 

#### **Car Park Safety:**

We have received concerns again week regarding safe parking on Chapel Lane. I have informed the local police about the complaints. DO NOT park along the bus stop and zig zag no parking areas. Cars are also blocking pedestrian paths. Considerate parking would be appreciated.

### And finally...

Next week we will be joined by four Japanese students and their Professor, Yuichi Tansei, for two weeks. It has been three years since we last hosted the students from Shujitsu University in Okayama as we have strong links to their Teacher Training programme. It is a fabulous opportunity for the children to learn about Japanese culture.

Headteacher
ST OSWALD'S WORLD BOOK DAY STORYTIME – THURSDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023
es I would love to come and share a story with a group on children on Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March at 2.40pm.
Name of child: Name of Parent:
Preferred Year Group:
SCHOOL MEAL PROMOTION – 'WE LOVE READING' – THURSDAY 30 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023
would like my child to have a school meal on Thursday 30th March and will ensure that £2.40 payment is made throug ParentPay.
Name of child:Year: Signature of parent/carer:
SOMEONE SPECIAL FLOWERS
Are you looking for an extra Mother's Day gift idea? Look no further, we will be selling individually potted and gift- wrapped primroses for your special person. Each with their own gift label for you to personalise.
If you wish to buy a plant or two for presents, please complete and return this form with your payment by <b>Wednesday 1</b> st <b>March</b> . The plants are £3 each or you can buy 2 plants or more for just £2.50 each.
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Please put your order and payment in an envelope marked PTFA Flowers. Please pay with cash or cheques which are payable to St Oswald's PTFA
Name of child Year Group
I would like to buyplant/s Amount enclosed
The plants will be sent home with the children on Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March.  Thank you again for your support to raise funds for our wonderful school

As always, please contact school if you have any queries or concerns as soon as they arise. Nipping things in the bud is so much better so please contact us!

Yours sincerely

B Wood