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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**  
**Spring term no. 9 – 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023**  
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**Reading the newsletter does help you to keep up to date with everything!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Update since last newsletter:

- Year 1 have enjoyed watching the chicks hatch this week, a big thank you to Bowland Farm for providing such a wonderful experience for the children.
- The Eco Team did a great job of monitoring our 'reduced electricity day' today. Lights were switched off and use of computers reduced!
- Y4 had a super day full of learning at Formby Point. Everyone showed such great resilience with the weather being so cold. Well done Y4!
- Y4 ,Y5 and Y6 enjoyed listening to Stuart Rowson, a local author, who shared his debut novel with the children. We have bought some copies for each class but if your child wants to purchase their own copy of the book, it is available on Amazon- Izzy and the Tumble Thunder by Stuart Rowson.
- We said goodbye to Yuichi and his students today. They go back to Japan with many happy memories and we have thoroughly enjoyed their company over the past two weeks.

**Coming up:**

- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March** Y1 Mother's Day Assembly 2.40pm in the School Hall. Y1 Parents invited.
- 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). If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £15.00 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!)
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** Tag Rugby Tournament at Hutton Grammar 3.45pm – 5.00pm (letter issued to Rugby Team 2<sup>nd</sup> March). Due to the 1<sup>st</sup> match on 9<sup>th</sup> March being cancelled due to the weather, both matches will be played together.
- Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March** CAFOD Lenten Appeal: We have joined up with our local family of schools and parishes to take part in the CAFOD Sponsored Community Walk. Please find attached the letter from Kate, Chaplain from All Hallows who is organising the event. This is a super opportunity to come together as a community. Let us know if you can come along by responding to the google form in Kate's letter which is attached.
- 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 (Newsletter no.7) or email the office so we can plan the groups!

#### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Y5 visit to Judges Lodgings & Cottage Museum, Lancaster as part of their Victorians Topic (letter issued 1<sup>st</sup> March). If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £14.50 on ParentPay ASAP –thank you! Full school uniform to be worn together with a warm, waterproof jacket or coat. (Please ensure that your child is dressed warmly!)

#### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April

Our next school meal promotion will be held on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April**. The menu is: roast turkey or Quorn fillet with stuffing, gravy, roast and creamed potatoes, broccoli and carrots followed by Chocolate Cornflake Nest. If your child does not normally have school meals, but would like to have an Easter lunch on 5<sup>th</sup> April, please complete the attached slip and return to school no later than Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Payment of £2.40 should be made in advance through ParentPay, our on-line payment system. Thank you.

#### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April

School closes and re-opens Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

#### PTFA EVENTS:

- **FAMILY EASTER BINGO, THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm.** Tickets are free and bingo books are £1.00 each available on the door. Prizes to be won, tuck shop open, tea and coffee available. Come along for a fun night with the family!
- **EASTER CAKE SALE, TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> AND WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 3.15pm on the school playground.** Huge thanks to Mrs Novak who has kindly offered to bake for this event! All proceeds to help buy Forest School resources.
- **PTFA EASTER RAFFLE, THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL.** Raffle tickets are on sale in each class for 50p per ticket from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March until Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Winners of the Easter Eggs will be announced in Golden Assembly on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April. If your child wishes to buy raffle tickets, please send money in an envelope with your child's name on and their class. Last year we did run out of raffle tickets but this year we are ready!! All proceeds going towards our Forest School resources.

**PTFA SUMMER FAIR - SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023  
12-2.30PM**

#### Admin Reminders:

- Please can EVERYONE check their ParentPay account and ensure that it is in CREDIT – thank you for your co-operation in this matter.
- Please ensure that we have up-to-date contact telephone numbers for your child. We have tried to contact parents recently only to find that the number on our records is no longer valid.
- **Absence (Medical/Dental Appointments, etc.) with Appointment Card:** 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 **at least two days** in advance of the appointment so the correct codes are recorded for their absence. **If an appointment card or letter is not available, please write a note or email the school with the details of the appointment.** Pupils should be collected from the Reception area near the school office. This is part of our attendance and safeguarding procedures.

#### REMINDER Bags 2 School:

We are collecting second hand clothing, paired shoes, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels that can be re-used and have arranged a collection on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March. All bags are weighed and school will receive money for the total weight collected. Bags can be dropped off at school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March before 9am. Extra bags are available from the office. Spring is on its way and what better time to have a clear-out!

And finally...

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  
Headteacher

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**SCHOOL MEAL PROMOTION – EASTER LUNCH – WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023**

I would like my child to have a school meal on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. I will ensure payment of £2.40 is made in advance through ParentPay.

Name of child: .....

Year group: .....

Signature of parent/carer: .....

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