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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

Summer Term No.11 –8th July 2021

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Dear Parents,

Up-date since the last newsletter:

- To quote the children 'Tough Kidder was just awesome!' 'The best day of my life'. The children were brilliant and joined in with great enthusiasm. Thank you so much if you have sent in any sponsor money. We are really grateful.
- Little Owls have completed week 3 of their Induction Programme and are really enjoying the sessions. It is so lovely to meet the children before they start school.
- We managed to complete all the Sports Days and a video for each class has been tweeted and uploaded to the website.
- Each class has been able to watch the Y6 production of Charlie and The Chocolate Factory and thoroughly enjoyed the show!

Coming up:

Monday 12th July - Y6 Visit to Borwick Hall for an extended day of outdoor activities

Departure time 8.00 am from school and returning at approximately 9.00 pm at school as we will be leaving Borwick Hall at 8.00 pm. If we are delayed en route for any reason, we will send an email to keep you up-to-date with any necessary information. Kit list and letter outlining final details issued 10th June.

Tuesday 13th July - Y5/Y6 'Boxercise with Emily'

Flyers for Boxercise Summer School have been sent home with your child on Wednesday for Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 children.

Tuesday 13th July - 'Moving Up' morning

Children will spend the morning in their new class.

Tuesday 13th July - Y6 Leavers Mass

Mass 6pm with Fr Michael in the marquee. 30 adults may attend (1 adult per child). Masks to be worn and seating will be distanced. The event will last approx. 45 mins.

Wednesday 14th July - Final Little Owls!

9.15am – 11.45am in the marquee.

Wednesday 14th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly

1.30pm in the marquee. 30 adults may attend (1 adult per child). Masks to be worn and seating will be distanced.

Thursday 15th July -Y6 Retreat Day to Crosby Beach

Departure time 9.30am and returning before the end of the day. Walk on the beach, picnic lunch, reflection and prayer time and to see the Iron Men (letter issued Friday 18th June).

Friday 16th July – 1.30pm School closes.

ParentPay:

Please note that all ParentPay accounts must be cleared completely by the end of the summer term as debts must not be carried forward to the next academic year. Please ensure, therefore, that your child's account has a zero or positive balance.

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ParentPay accounts for Year 6 pupils must not have a negative balance by the end of term. Letters will be sent out next week for any accounts in arrears.

Please contact the school office should you have any queries regarding this matter or in any financial difficulty.

Any ParentPay accounts for Year 6 pupils which have a credit balance and wish to transfer funds to another account or payment item i.e. sibling's account, Early Birds etc., please email the school office. We are in the process of arranging refunds by cheque for Y6 ParentPay accounts which are in credit which you will receive next week.

Thank you for your co-operation

School Meals Increase:

As from September 2021, we will be increasing the school meal cost to £2.35/meal which is still great value for money. The school kitchen staff do a fantastic job serving healthy lunches every day.

School Meal Vouchers:

For families who are eligible for free school meals and in receipt of benefits, free school meal vouchers have been ordered for the next six weeks for the summer holidays. This voucher is for £90.00 per child / £180.00 2 children etc. If there is any possibility that you may think that you qualify for free school meals, it is really worth checking! The process is easy and all it takes is a phone call! Call the Pupil Access Team at Lancashire County Council on 01772 531809 with your Name, Date of Birth and National Insurance Number.

Qualifying benefits:

If you or your partner receive any of the following benefits you can apply for free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Guitar lessons with Miss Galea:

Guitar lessons will start in September with Miss Galea for Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. Letters will be sent home on Friday detailing the information. Places are limited to 8 for each session and will operate on a first come, first served basis. Once the 8 places are filled, we will put children's names on a reserve list and if any places become available, we will contact the first person on the reserve list etc.

And finally...

Great news! We will be welcoming Mr Scahill to the team in September as our new Site Supervisor.

Some of you have asked if you can contribute to Mrs Maguire- Dorr's Retirement Collection so please just send in your donation in an envelope marked 'Retirement Collection'

The final newsletter of the year will be issued on Wednesday 15 July with the details for returning to school in September.

As always please get in touch if you have any concerns, no matter how small you think they may be!

Yours sincerely

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