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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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PLEASE READ!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for attending your child's Parents Evening. If you have yet to meet your child's Class Teacher, please get in touch and we will do our best to fit you in over the next two weeks.

Don't forget every Friday your child's Class Teacher writes a blog covering all the learning that has been done throughout the week and the practice that needs to be done at home to help consolidate the learning. We now have 78% of all the children reading regularly at home and this is making a huge difference so thank you for your support.

As part of our transition programme, we work closely with All Hallows and this week Miss Consiglio came in to teach Y6 English. Miss Consiglio was impressed with the standard of work and how well the children could analyse text. Well done Y6!

Many thanks to Mr Brown and Mr Clitheroe for giving up their time to help Mr Campbell with Football Club. We really appreciate the help as it is a very busy club!

Y3, Y4 and Y5 have been having extra dance sessions every Thursday with Beth from the South Ribble Sports Partnership. Beth has commented on how co-operative the children have been and that the dance routines are coming on brilliantly!

Coming up:

Monday 4th March –

Friday 15th March - Over the years we have developed a great partnership with Shujitsu University in Okayama, Japan and this year four Japanese students and their Professor, Yuichi Tansei, will be joining us as part of their teacher training studies into methods of teaching reading and writing. The students will also be delivering cultural lessons to every class so the children can learn about life in Japan.

Tuesday 5th March -Y5 visit to 'Judges Lodgings', Lancaster on the Victorians. If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £15.00 on ParentPay ASAP - thank you! Full school uniform to be worn with a coat.

Wednesday 6th March - Reception visit to 'Bring Yer Wellies' Study Trip on Planting & Life Cycles as part of their Science Studies. If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £16.00 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 6th March - Y1 Mother's Day Assembly 2.40pm in the School Hall. Y1 Parents invited.

Thursday 7th March -World Book Day 2024. 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. If you would like to share a story with a small group of children at the end of the day, please fill in the slip (newsletter no.4) or email the office so we can plan the groups.

Thursday 7th 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 slip (newsletter no.3 or from the office) and return to school no later than Tuesday 5th March. Pupils who normally have a school meal will be automatically included in the promotion. Payment of £2.50 should be made through ParentPay please. The menu is Curious George's Crispy Goujons & BBQ Dip or

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Hagrid's Quorn Hog Dog & Tomato Ketchup with Pepper Potts Pommes Noisette with Bertie Botts Baked Beans or Matilda's Magical Vegetable Medley 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 8th March - Whole school Yoga Festival. Each class will have a yoga session throughout the day which includes learning breathing techniques and practising calming movements. PE kits are needed for this event.

Friday 8th March – There will be a special Lunchtime Session of Football for all the girls in school who are keen to have a go as part of the England Football initiative #LETGIRLSPLAY. From Reception to Y6, girls who want to join in with the session will be encouraged to do so. No need for anything special, just PE kit and trainers.

Monday 11th March - Stay and Play session for parents in Reception 2-3pm. The theme is 'Spring' so you are welcome to come and join your child in their learning. Please return the slip (newsletter no.6) so we know who is coming along.

Wednesday 13th 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 this event.

Thursday 14th March -Y4 trip to Formby Point and the Eco Centre as part of their Geography Studies. If you have not yet done so, please return the permission slip and make the payment of £20.00 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 21st March -Y2 'Journey in Lent' Assembly on 2.40pm in the School Hall. Y2 Parents invited.

Thursday 21st March – Family Bingo 6.30pm – 8.00pm. Tickets are free and available from the school office. Bingo books are £2.00 each and available on the night. Prizes to be won, tuck shop open, tea and coffee available. Come along for a fun night with the family!

Parent Helpers:

We are incredibly lucky to have a brilliant team of volunteers in school every week but we are looking for extra volunteers to help out in school. Volunteering at school can be very rewarding so if you have a few spare hours each week or the odd day to help with school trips, please call in to office to book in for a chat with myself to find out more.

Face Family Advice:

Please find attached details of parental workshops from FACE – Family Advice, Communication and Education. FACE gives online talks offering up to date information and the opportunity to ask questions and get practical advice. For further information, please click on the link below:

<https://www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk/>

Community News:

Connect the Tots Play Sessions:

If you're a parent or grandparent looking for a something fun to do with your baby, toddler or preschooler then Connect the Tots have the playgroup for you. Sessions are every Monday at Galloways, Penwortham and every Friday at St Andrew's Hall, Longton at 10-11.30am. The cost is just £6 for 1 adult and 1 tot which includes refreshments. To book on to a session simply message Kate on 07812 507547.

And finally...

Good luck to the Athletics Team tonight as they compete in the South Ribble Finals at Lostock Hall Academy.

Hope everyone enjoys the Spring Disco tonight! Tickets can be purchased on the door and the playground will be available for additional parking if needed.

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