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PLEASE READ THE NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

COVID-19:

I have had to send a 'Warn and Inform' letter to the parents of Y3 as we met the threshold of having 5 cases in one class. I have attached the letter that Public Health England have asked us to send out to the parents of Y3 for your information. We will be working closely with Public Health England to monitor the situation and will keep you informed of any further actions that need to be taken.

As a school we have continued to stick to the routines that we had before the summer with handwashing, sanitising, ventilated classrooms, learning outdoors and no whole school gatherings.

Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell, we strongly recommend that a PCR test is done if you think your child may have COVID -19 symptoms and please keep us informed.

Update since the last newsletter:

- Thank you to Fr Michael and his Catechist team for making it possible to have a special mass for the Y5 children last week who will be making their First Holy Communion in February 2022.
- We hope you found the Meet the Teacher meetings for Reception, Year 6 and Year 1 informative this week. Meet the Teacher meetings will take place next week in the school hall at 6.30pm for 45 mins. One adult per child and please wear your mask. Children are not to attend.

Monday 20th September -Y2 Tuesday 21st September -Y4 Wednesday 22nd September - Y5 Thursday 23rd September- Y3

• Lancashire Evening Post photographer was in school today to take a photograph of the Reception children. Your child will come home with a proof and order form on Monday if you wish to place an order. The LEP will be in touch to notify school when the photograph will appear in the 'New Starters 2021' supplement.

Coming up:

Tuesday 28th September

6pm Mr Horrocks, Headteacher from All Hallows will be here at St Oswald's to talk to Y6 Parents. The meeting will be in the hall and restricted to 1 adult per child and we ask that you wear a mask. No children to attend (letter issued 15th September).

Thursday 23rd September

7.15pm PTFA (Parent, Teacher and Friends Association) AGM Meeting (straight after Year 3 Meet the Teacher meeting). The PTFA do a marvellous job of fundraising for the school so that we can provide great resources for the children. Come along and find out how you can get involved! It would be lovely to see you there. Over the last 18 months we have been able to purchase 30 new I-pads, 25 new laptops, reading books across the school and picnic tables for the playground. A huge thank you for supporting the fundraising events!

Primary Admissions 2022:

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2022 then you MUST apply on-line at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools The CLOSING DATE FOR PRIMARY APPLICATIONS IS 15 JANUARY 2022. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school.

Please ensure that you also complete the ST OSWALD'S SUPPLEMENTARY FAITH FORM which is available on the school website or from school. The Supplementary Faith Form must then be forwarded to SCHOOL together with a copy of your child's BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE!

Please note: If your child was baptised at St Oswald's and you do not have a copy of your child's baptismal certificate, please complete a 'Baptismal Certificate request slip', which is available from school and post this through the St Oswald's presbytery postbox.

Secondary Admissions 2022:

If your child is due to transfer to High School in September 2022, then please apply on-line at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. The CLOSING DATE FOR SECONDARY APPLICATIONS IS 31 OCTOBER 2021. Supplementary Faith Forms for All Hallows will be sent home today with your child. Please ensure that the Supplementary Faith Form is completed and sent to All Hallows direct.

Reminder - End of Day Safeguarding Forms:

Anyone who has not yet returned the End of Day Safeguarding form, please do so asap. It is essential that staff are very clear about where your child is going at the end of the school day and who with! Spare copies are available at the school office. Thank you.

Reminder - ParentPay Activation Letters for Reception Parents:

There are still some accounts that are not yet activated. We are encouraging all parents to activate their ParentPay accounts as soon as possible. This service is used for payments such as Early Birds' Breakfast Club, school trips and also for school meals (for Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 pupils). Activation letters were issued at the beginning of term. If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

St Oswald's Sports Clubs:

The following Clubs will operate until w/c 8th November.

On Monday 27th September Netball Club will be open from 3.15pm - 4.15pm for Y5/Y6 pupils to join if they wish to. Dismissal from the Club will be from the main gate.

On Tuesday 28th September Football Club will be open from 3.15pm - 4.15pm for Y5/Y6 pupils to join if they wish to. Dismissal is from the main gate.

Please sign and return the slip below if your child would like to join the club.

And finally.....

A huge well done to the children in Reception, it is really quite remarkable to see how well they have settled!

Yours sincerely

B Wood Headteacher

I would like my child to join the Netball Club. (1) I will collect my child at 4.15 pm. (2) Other hometime arrangements, i.e. After School Club, walking home with permission, etc.: Name of child: Signed: Emergency contact nos.: YEAR 5/YEAR 6 FOOTBALL CLUB - TUESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER- TUESDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2021 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm I would like my child to join the Football Club. (3) I will collect my child at 4.15 pm. (4) Other hometime arrangements, i.e. After School Club, walking home with permission, etc.: Name of child: Signed: Emergency contact nos.:

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