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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. 11 – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Update since last newsletter:**

- Thank you to Fr Michael for spending time this week in school. During Lent Fr Michael always offers a short Service of Reconciliation for Y4, Y5 and Y6.
- Y6 raised over £300 selling chocolate over Fairtrade Fortnight and have purchased World Gifts from CAFOD; a locally sourced cow, a goat which will provide a family with up to 12 pints of milk a week; chickens for vulnerable families so they can produce eggs to eat or sell; a greenhouse which young people will use once given training to grow fresh nutritious vegetables all year and a Safe House which will help families at risk of homelessness go understand their rights and campaign to secure safe, affordable and sustainable housing. All these gifts will make an enormous difference to vulnerable families all over the world. Thank you for supporting Fairtrade Breaktimes!
- A huge well done to Y1 who presented a super Mother's Day Assembly for parents last Friday.
- Reception had a great Stay & Play afternoon on Wednesday. Thank you to parents and grandparents that came along!
- Thank you to PC Adam and PC Dave who came in to school to talk to Y6 on Wednesday covering the topics of anti- social behaviour, online behaviour and the importance of making the right choices.
- Well done to all the children who took part in the Brass Band Masterclass this morning. We have so many talented musicians! Brass C
- Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y5 children had a great day today, exploring our revamped orienteering course which has been funded from our Sport Premium grant.
- Thank you to Y6 who presented a beautiful Liturgy in church today. Singing, prayers, readings and great guitar playing, well done Y6, Fr Michael was so impressed with everyone!

### **Coming up next half term:**

- PTFA Meeting **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** at 6.30pm to discuss the Summer Fair.
- Y1 Multi Activity Club starts on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April** 3.15-4.15pm for 3 weeks. If you would like your child to take part, please return the slip below asap. Only 15 places are available so first come, first served!
- Brass Band Lessons will re-start **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April** 3.15pm – 4.15pm for 11 weeks (last lesson Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July) run by Mrs Campbell. The cost is £22.00 for the term. Priority will be given to children in Y3 – Y5 who have had lessons this term. Y6 pupils more than welcome to sign up if they wish to (letters issued today). Please return the slip and payment of £21.00 by cash or cheque payable to St Oswald's Catholic Primary School by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.
- Mrs Tipping is starting a Chess Club Friday lunchtimes from **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April** for pupils in Y4 as we have a keen group of players.
- Y6 End of Key Stage 2 Tests **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May**. The tests will start at 9am prompt so please ensure that your child is in on time.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Reading Test  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Maths Test 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper Test 2 (Reasoning)  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – Maths Paper Test 3 (Reasoning)

- Y1 Martin Mere Study Trip **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May** (letters issued today, 3<sup>rd</sup> April).
- Sports Day for Y1 **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May** 2.15pm. Parents are invited to spectate.
- Y4 Parent Assembly **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May** 2.40pm in school. The theme is 'First Holy Communion'.
- First Holy Communion Masses 10.30am 12.30pm **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May**
- Sports Day for Y2 **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May** 2.15pm. Parents are invited to spectate.
- School photographer to take Class Photographs **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** from 9am.
- Whole school Cricket Festival **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. Every class will be involved with the festival so PE Kits must be in school for the event. Many thanks.
- Sports Day for Reception **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** 2.15pm. Parents are invited to spectate.

### St Oswald's Easter Services:

Saturday 12th April 10.00am Reconciliation Service with confession  
Saturday 12th April The Passion of the Lord: Vigil Mass 5pm  
Sunday 13th April Sunday Mass 8.30am  
Thursday 17th April. Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7pm  
Good Friday 18th April. Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 3pm  
Holy Saturday 19th April. The Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter: 7.00pm  
Easter Sunday 20th April Mass of the Lord's Resurrection. 8.30am



### Community News:

Please find attached information from South Ribble Borough Council regarding Intensive Swimming Lessons over the Easter holidays.

### Message from Mrs Blissett (Y3 Parent)

*"On the 19<sup>th</sup> July, we are organising a fundraiser, to raise money for Baby Beat, in memory of our nephew, Everett, who died in February. The support that the maternity bereavement team at RPH gave to my sister, her husband and our whole family was amazing and we would like to give something back so that they can continue to support families like ours.*

*There are a few things we need help with to make it a success so if you are able to help with any of the below, we would really appreciate it.*

- 1) If you can, or know anyone/any businesses who may be able to donate either a raffle prize or an auction item*
- 2) If you would like to donate something, no matter how small, every little helps. The just giving link is <https://www.justgiving.com/page/baby-beat-everett?newPage=true>*
- 3) Nearer the time, we will be selling raffle tickets and tickets to the event itself"*

And finally...

We are wishing Miss Orme a very Happy Wedding Day over the Easter break. Miss Orme will return as Mrs Dean on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Have a super Easter break everyone and thank you for your support over the past term!

B Wood  
Headteacher

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**YEAR 1 MULTI ACTIVITY CLUB – THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL – THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY (3 weeks) 3.15pm – 4.15pm**

I would like my child to join the Multi-Activity Club. I will collect my child from school at 4.15pm.

Other home time arrangements, i.e. After School Club etc:

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Name of child: ..... Signed: .....

Emergency contact nos.: .....

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