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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.5 – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Update from last newsletter:**

- Thank you to Fr. Michael and the catechists for making the First Holy Communion so special for Year 4 on Saturday.
- Year 2 Sports Day on Monday was super; lovely to see so many supporters encouraging the children on!
- Reception Sports Day on Wednesday was a huge success with every pupil making it to the finish line. Thank you for all your enthusiastic cheering!
- Cricket Day with the South Ribble coaches was great. We have some talented cricketers in our midst.
- The last Football Club for Y5/Y6 was Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Football Club for Y4 will start after half term.

### **Reminders:**

- If you wish for your child to take part in the Talent Show on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, please return your slip by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June (Register of Interest Slip attached).

### **Coming up:**

<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y4 Football Club (run by Mr Campbell) starts for 4 weeks 3.15pm – 4.15pm with the last session on Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June. If you wish for your child to join, please complete the permission slip attached.
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	PTFA Sponsored Tough Kidder 2.15-3pm on the school field. Every child included; parents can come along to support! Sponsor sheets sent home Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May.
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y4/Y5 Gardening Club (run by Mrs Dean) starts for 5 weeks 3.15pm – 4.15pm (last session is Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July). Letters sent home Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May. First come, first served basis as there is a maximum of 15 places.
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	'When I grow up Careers Day 2025' (please see letter attached). We have asked for any one who is keen to share their careers with the children to come along in the morning or afternoon to inspire the next generation of scientists, engineers etc..
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Drumming Showcase for <b>Y3, Y4 and Y5</b> parents of child who have drumming lessons with Adam. Parents are invited 1.30pm.
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports Day for Y3 2.15pm. Parents/Grandparents can come along to spectate.
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports Day for Y5 2.15pm. Parents/ Grandparents can come along to spectate.
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports Day Y4 2.15pm. Parents / Grandparents can come along to spectate.
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y5 Taster Day at All Hallows (letter will be issued after half term).
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Reception Study Trip to Blackpool Zoo.

<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y2 Parent Assembly 2.40pm in the hall. The theme is 'God's Wonderful World'.
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	St Oswald's Talent Show 2025!! Always an epic night. Entries to be in by 16 <sup>th</sup> June.
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Sports Day for Y6 2.15pm. Parents / Grandparents can come along to spectate. Followed by the Cake Sale at 3.15pm on the playground.
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Drumming Showcase for <b>Y6</b> parents of children who have drumming lessons with Adam. Parents invited 1.30pm.
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y2 Study Trip to Skipton Castle.
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y6 trip to Lowe House, St Helens. A fun day of activities as part of their Faith in Action Award (letter issued 15 <sup>th</sup> May).
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Longton Live!! Further information to follow.
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>PTFA Summer Fair 12pm – 2.30pm. KEEP THE DATE FREE! If you have any contacts that could donate a fabulous prize for the raffle, please get in touch asap.</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	Open Morning 9.15-10.30am for all parents to come along and see the school in action. Choir will be singing in the hall 10.20am. Refreshments will be available.

#### **Classes for 2025-2026:**

**Reception – Mrs Robinson, Mrs Dixon (Mrs Stone returns from Maternity Leave 1<sup>st</sup> December), Mrs Cliffe**  
**Year One – Mrs Sheen, Miss Fisher, Mrs Deighton**  
**Year Two- Mrs Corbett, Miss Gravili Mrs Anderson**  
**Year Three – Mr Campbell, Mrs Woof, Mrs O'Neill**  
**Year Four – Mrs Tipping, Miss Whiting, Mrs Mulgrew**  
**Year Five – Mrs Whitworth, Mrs Dexter, Miss Dineen**  
**Year Six – Mrs Dean, Mrs Jones**

Over the next half term there will be transition mornings etc so the children become familiar with their classrooms and teachers for next year.

#### **FSM Vouchers – May Half Term Holiday 2025:**

The Department for Works and Pensions Household Support Fund (HSF) grant has been extended with further funding being made available to County Councils and Unitary Authorities in England to support those most in need this summer. For families who are eligible for free school meals and in receipt of benefits, free school meal vouchers to the value of £15.00 per child have been ordered for the week of half term, week commencing 26<sup>th</sup> May.

If your own circumstances have changed and you think you are entitled, please contact 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

And finally...

Wishing you all a very happy half term, don't forget to try the PTFA Enterprise Challenge! Details were in last weeks newsletter.

As always, get in touch if you have any queries.

B Wood  
Headteacher

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**TALENT SHOW 2025 - slip to be returned by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

My child would like to enter the talent show on **THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** AT 6.30 pm. I will ensure that my child has rehearsed. The act/performance will be:

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Name of child/children in act: .....

Signature of parent: .....

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**YEAR 4 FOOTBALL CLUB – WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE - WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025 3.15 pm– 4.15 pm**

I would like my child to join the Football Club. I will collect my child at 4.15 pm.

Other hometime arrangements, i.e. After School Club, walking home with permission, etc.:

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

Emergency contact nos.: .....

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