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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 Friday Newsletter
Autumn term no.8 – 23 October 2020
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PLEASE READ THE NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

COVID Reference Guide for Parents:

Please find attached latest COVID-19 information in the school setting with updated information regarding clarification of self-isolation period and ending of self-isolation. This is highlighted in yellow.

I would like to thank you all for adhering to the rules and restrictions regarding our school setting as keeping everyone safe and well is the priority at the moment.

REMINDER! Secondary Admissions 2021: If your child is due to go to secondary school in September 2021 the closing date for applications is 31st October! If you are applying for All Hallows, you MUST fill in the yellow supplementary form and return it to All Hallows TODAY!

Holiday Hunger Project:

Holiday Hunger Project is a project run by South Ribble Borough Council to support families over the school holidays. Food parcels have been dropped off at school for families who receive free school meals by being in receipt of benefits (not to be confused with Universal Free School Meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children). We will be contacting families who are eligible for the food parcel to arrange collection before half term.

School Meal Promotion -Bonfire Lunch – Thursday 5th November:

The next school meal promotion will take place on Thursday 5th November for anyone who does not normally have a school lunch. The meal served is Sausage in a Bun or Quorn Nuggets in a wrap served with Noisette Potatoes, Baked Beans & Crunchy Sticks followed by Chocolate ice-cream! If your child is normally on packed lunches and would like a school meal on this date, please complete the attached slip and return to school on Monday 2nd November and make the payment of £2.30 on ParentPay (Years 3-6).

School Meal Menus – Autumn / Winter 2020:

The new school meal menus have arrived and your child should have brought a copy home today. The menu will start on Week 1 from Monday 2nd November and continue to follow the weekly menu cycle which is colour coded on the bottom of the menu. Spare copies are also available from the school office.

Poppy Appeal 2020:

We will be selling poppies on behalf of the British Legion throughout the week commencing Monday 2nd November until Friday 6th November. If you would like your child to bring a donation into school, please send it in an envelope with your child's name and marked 'Poppy Appeal'. Due to our strict COVID restrictions each class will have a separate time to buy their poppies.

Tues 3 November – Reception
Wed 4 November – Year 1 / 2
Thursday 5 November – Year 3 / 4
Friday 6 November – Year 5 / 6

PTFA News:

The PTFA are working so hard to raise much needed funds for school resources so please support where you can.

PTFA Halloween Quiz: Hope you all had fun completing the Halloween quiz! £103 was raised! Thank you to everyone who took part. Congratulations to Bella in Year 1 who is the winner of a giant pumpkin and carving kit!

PTFA Pumpkin Carving Competition: Entry is by uploading a photo to the PTFA Facebook page by 30th October. The best pumpkin will win a Trick or Treat box for two from The Village Teapot. The winner will be announced on the PTFA Facebook page on 31st October.

PTFA Halloween Zoom party and disco on Thursday 29th October (during half term)

Class	Disco time	Zoom meeting ID	Zoom password	Hosts/ co-hosts
Reception & Year 1	6.30pm - 7pm	305 395 9110		Gemma & Steph (PTFA), DJ Danny
Year 2 & 3	7.10pm - 7.40pm		DiscoSTO	Gemma & Steph (PTFA), DJ Danny &
Year 4, 5 & 6	7.50pm - 8.20pm		<i>Password is case sensitive</i>	Gemma & Steph (PTFA), DJ Danny

- The event will be mostly party games with dancing
- Children can submit their top 5 party songs and suggest any games that they have enjoyed playing remotely – we are all ears! Send to “St Oswald’s Longton PTFA” Facebook page by Mon 26th Oct please!
- £2 payable via Parent Pay.
- Fancy dress is most welcome!
- Zoom is free and easy to use. Registration will be required and access is either via the app or <https://zoom.us/>
- If possible please could parents add the names of their children in the settings so the DJs can engage with the children.

PTFA Calendar 2021:

Every child will feature in the 2021 Calendar but we have not been able to do birthday months as this would have resulted in mixing children from different classes! We are looking for sponsors to advertise in the calendar so if you are interested in sponsoring a month or two, please get in touch via the office. The calendar will be on sale from the end of November.

Faith in Action:

Y6 have started their Faith in Action Award by making little ‘Thinking of You’ packs for the parishioners. The packs were gratefully received last week at church and we have had some lovely thank you letters. One parishioner expressed that she did get very lonely but knowing that she is in our thoughts has really helped her. Well done Y6!

Autumn Term Parents Evening:

We will be making telephone appointments available to parents during week commencing 16th November. On Monday 2nd November you will receive a letter with the slots available to book!

And finally.....

We have made a short film of life at St Oswald’s as it is not possible to show new parents round the school at the moment. The film is available from the website and on our twitter feed. Hope you enjoy it!

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch by email or phone; we will always do our best to help. Thank you so much for all the support and encouragement over the past 7 weeks.

Have the best possible half term; stay safe and well.

Yours sincerely

B Wood
Headteacher

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SCHOOL MEAL PROMOTION – BONFIRE LUNCH – THURSDAY 5th NOVEMBER 2020

I would like my child to have a school meal on Thursday 5th November. I will ensure payment of £2.30 is made in advance through ParentPay (Year 3 – Year 6 children).

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