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The Newsletter Summer Term No.5–19th May 2022 Follow us on twitter @StOswaldsCPS

PLEASE READ!

Dear Parents/Carers

Update since last newsletter:

• Y6 had a very memorable day making their own wood sculptures with Neil, a visiting artist, who shared his incredible work with the children, truly inspirational!

Coming up:

School Photographer in school to take class photos **Tuesday 24th May**.

Sports Day for Y1 2.15pm **Tuesday 24th May**. Parents can come along to spectate.

Y6 Football Competition 3.45pm – 5.00pm **Tuesday 24th May** (letter issued to team 17th May).

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee **Wednesday 25th May.** The children are to come to school dressed in red, white and blue for the day!

Platinum Jubilee Street Party School Meal Promotion **Wednesday 25th May**.

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will be celebrating Mass for the Feast of The Ascension at 2.15pm **Thursday 26th May**. Parents are invited.

Y1 Hearing Tests **Thursday 26th May.** If you have not yet returned the consent slip and you wish for your child to have the hearing test, please do so asap (letter issued 12th May). Thank you.

Y6 Rugby Tournament final match held at Hutton Grammar School from 4-5pm **Thursday 26th May.** Good luck to the team!

Sports Day for Y2 2.15pm Friday 27th May. Parents can come along to spectate.

Finish for half term at 3.15 pm on Friday 27th May and return on **Tuesday 7th June.**

Dates for after half-term:

PTFA meeting 6.30pm in school **Tuesday 7th June**. Come along and help plan the fundraising events for the Summer!

'Boxercise' with Emily starts **Thursday 9th June** 8-8.45am for 4 weeks (letter issued to Y4/Y5/Y6 today).

Y1 trip to Lytham St Annes **Thursday 9th June** (letter issued today).

Stay and Play for Reception 2-3pm **Friday 10th June**. 1 adult per child can come along and join in the learning! The slip is attached below if you wish to join in.

Y4 Family Mass 10.30am with Fr Michael Sunday 12th June.

Y4 children and parents invited to church at 6.30pm **Monday 13**th **June** for a final session before the children make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 18th June.

Y3 Athletics club to start on **Monday 13th June 3.15-4.15pm** for 6 weeks run by Mrs Sheen and Miss Smith. Please complete the slip below if your child would like to join the club.

Y3 Sports Day 2.15pm **Tuesday 14th June**. Parents can come along to spectate.

Little Owls session 1 for our new children who are starting school in September **Wednesday 15th June** 9.15-11.15am!

Y4 Sports Day 2.15pm **Wednesday 15th June**. Parents can come along to spectate.

Y5 Bike Check Day **Thursday 16th June**. Y5 are to bring their bikes to school today for a check before starting their Cycling Proficiency w/c 27th June.

Y3 trip to Cuerden Valley Park **Thursday 16th June**. As the children will be working outdoors in the natural environment, i.e. mud, soil, etc., please ensure that your child comes to school appropriately dressed, e.g. jogging pants (not jeans), a waterproof jacket and Wellington boots or similar with school polo shirt, jumper/cardigan. Please ensure that permission slips have been returned back to school and payment of £12.50 has been made through our online payment system ParentPay.

First Holy Communion Day for Y4 children **Saturday 18th June** 10.30am & 12.30pm. Children have been allocated a Mass for your immediate household members (maximum 8 people including children and communicants). Please contact Fr Michael direct on 01772 612136 if you have any queries.

Tuesday 21st June 9.45am-10.15am The whole school will be involved in the South Ribble 'Dance from the Heart' project. Parents and Grandparents are more than welcome to come along and feel the energy from 245 children dancing their socks off on the playground!

Y5 Sports Day 2.15pm **Thursday 23rd June**. Parents can come along to spectate.

Induction Meeting 6.30pm **Thursday 23rd June** for parents who have a child starting school in September.

Y6 Sports Day 2.15pm **Monday 27th June**. Parents can come along to spectate.

Open Morning 9.15-10.30am **Tuesday 28th June**. Come along and see the school in action. Spend some time with your child and see what they have been learning. Tea/Coffee will be served in the hall.

St Peter and St Paul's Feast Day **Wednesday 29th June** 2.15pm. Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will be attending a special Mass. Parents are welcome to attend.

Website Updates:

We have been collecting feedback from various sources about the website over the past few months and have been busy updating various pages so take a look at the work in progress and let us know what you think so far. Every week the Class Teachers update the Class Pages with photos and weekly Home Practice Tasks.

REMINDER ParentPay Accounts:

Please note that all ParentPay accounts <u>must</u> be cleared completely by the end of the summer term as debts must not be carried forward to the next academic year. Please ensure, therefore, that your child's account has a zero or positive balance. ParentPay accounts for Year 6 pupils <u>must not</u> have a negative balance and must stay in credit before the end of term when the account will be closed (letter issued 16th May). Thank you.

FSM Vouchers – May Half Term Holiday 2022:

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. The extended programme will run from **1 April 2022 to 30 September 2022**.

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 30th 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 (after tax and not including any

And finally...

The PTFA have worked tirelessly over the last few months to gain Charity Status and this week it was confirmed so great news as we can now access more grants which will benefit our pupils. Great result!

The PTFA have a BIG event on its way... the circus will be at St Oswald's 8th July for two shows only so watch this space for ticket details so you don't miss out!!

As always, if you have any queries or concerns, please do get in touch asap and we will do our best to help.

Yours sincerely

B Wood Headteacher

RECEPTION STAY & PLAY SESSION - FRIDAY 10" JUNE 2022, 2PM - 3PM	
I will be attending the Stay & Play Session.	
Name of Child	. Name of Adult
YEAR 3 ATHLETICS CLUB - MONDAY 13th JUNE- MONDAY 18th JULY 2022 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm	
I would like my child to join the Athletics 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.:

Emergency contact nos.:

Signed:

Name of child: