

ST OSWALD'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*The weekly newsletter aimed at keeping you
up to date with life at St Oswald's School*



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Together at St Oswald's, we Love, Learn, Respect and Appreciate

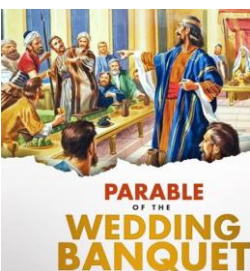
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Reflection

On Sunday we hear a story about a king who invites lots of different people to the wedding of his son. They have a big feast with lots of yummy food. Let's think about what God invites us to do in our lives.



God of welcome, you invite us to follow in your ways and to enter into your kingdom. May we answer your call.
Amen.
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Working Together to Support Our Children

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers who attended our Parent/Teacher Consultation Meetings on Monday and Tuesday. It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout, both face-to-face and online. If you were unable to attend due to illness or other circumstances, please arrange another opportunity to meet with your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Reading

One of our main priorities this year is reading, particularly developing children's fluency and comprehension. We will be looking at how confidently and accurately children can read an age-appropriate text, including the number of words they can read accurately in a minute.

Regular reading at home makes a huge difference, so please hear your child read frequently and sign their Reading Record. Every child also has access to Oxford Reading Buddy, where they can read books at their appropriate level. If their physical reading book is not available, reading on Oxford Reading Buddy can be recorded in their Reading Record instead.

Please remember that reading is not just about being able to read the words. Understanding what has been read is equally important. Oxford Reading Buddy includes comprehension questions, and we encourage you to talk to your child about their book, asking them what has happened, why things happened, how characters might be feeling and what they think might happen next.

Maths

Another key focus is developing maths fluency. Regular practice of number bonds (for example, pairs of numbers that make 10, 20, 50 or 100) and times tables facts will help children to recall important number facts quickly and confidently. Just a few minutes of regular practice at home can make a real difference.

Homework & Google Classroom

Your support with the regular completion of homework is also important. Every child from Year 1 to Year 6 has a Google Classroom login, where teachers share homework, messages and updates. Please check Google Classroom regularly so that you do not miss important information from your child's class teacher.

If you have any difficulties accessing Google Classroom or your child's login, please contact the school office and we will do our best to resolve the issue quickly.

We really appreciate you working in partnership with us to support your child's learning. By working together, both at school and at home, we can help every child develop confidence, make progress and achieve the very best that they can.

🎆 Firework Extravaganza Returns! 🎆

Following the tremendous success of last year's Firework Display, we are delighted to announce that it will be returning on

Tuesday 3rd November!

This promises to be another fantastic evening for our school and wider community, with music, fun, food, and an amazing fireworks display for everyone to enjoy.

Please see the attached poster for full details and ticket information.

We look forward to welcoming you, your family, and friends for what is sure to be another memorable community event!

Tickets on sale now via ParentPay for parents/carers or can be purchased at the school office for members of our school community.

Open days for EYFS (Nursery & Reception Classes)



If your child is starting school (Reception class) next September 2027 or is turning 3 soon, or you are interested in taking a look around our wonderful nursery, we would be delighted to invite you to attend one of our EYFS open days, for a tour at St Oswald's.

You will meet our EYFS team and take a look around our Nursery and Reception classrooms and outdoor facilities.

You will get a feel for our lovely school and have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Tour dates and times are below:

Monday 19 October, 1.30pm—2.30pm

Friday 6 November, 9.30pm – 10.30pm, 1.30pm—2.30pm

Friday 13 November, 9.30am—10.30am

Anyone who would like to visit please contact the school office on 01925 813015.

Parents, carers, prospective or current- everyone is welcome!

Wear it Yellow

A huge thank you to all our families for supporting Young Minds Wear It Yellow Day. It was wonderful to see the children arrive in their bright yellow clothing and accessories, bringing so much colour and positivity to the school. Their cheerful splashes of yellow certainly brightened the day and helped raise awareness of the importance of supporting young people's mental health.

Please click below for useful resources.

Directory of apps to support children and young people's mental wellbeing

Find trusted apps for anxiety, low mood, sleep and more for children, young people, parents and carers.



<https://www.merseycare.nhs.uk/yp-apps>



<https://www.merseycare.nhs.uk/mental-health-workbooks>

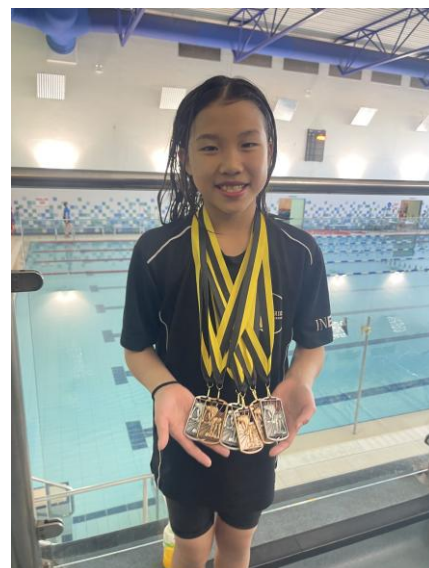
Yannie Y5

Congratulations to Yannie in our Year 5 class who recently competed in a swimming gala.

She achieved fantastic results and also won lots of medals.

Well done Yannie!

Keep up the hard work. We are very proud of you.





Stars of the Week



Year 1 - Ubaamara

Year 2 - Archie



Year 3 - Victoria

Year 4 - Arav



Year 5 - Sienna

Year 6 - Krystal

MFL - Noah Y6



Music - Lyla Y5

Join us next Friday at 9am for more stars of the week.

Everyone Welcome!

Whole School Attendance

5 – 9 October 2026

Class	Attendance Percentage
Rec	98.2% - Excellent
Y1	96.3%
Y2	95.5%
Y3	98.8% - Excellent
Y4	97%
Y5	97.4%
Y6	97.2%

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

98%+ Excellent
 96 - 97% Good
 95% Satisfactory
 91-94% Unsatisfactory
 <90% Poor

Whole School attendance this week was 97.5%
**CONGRATULATIONS TO Year 3, WITH THE BEST
 ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK**

Diary Dates

Friday 16 October

Foodbank Fridays – Mini Vinnies & School Council
 Celebration Assembly - 9am

Wednesday 21 – Friday 23 October

Year 6 Residential – Conover Hall, Shropshire

Friday 23 October

Foodbank Fridays – Mini Vinnies & School Council
 Celebration Assembly - 9am
 School finishes for October half term



Poppy Month Appeal



Monday 2 November

Other Faith Week - Judaism
 School re-opens for Autumn 2 Half Term



Tuesday 3 November



Firework Extravaganza – gates open at 5.30pm
 Tickets available to buy on Parent Pay

Friday 6 November

Celebration Assembly - 9am

Sunday 8 November

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Monday 9 November

DIWALI Celebration in school

School Lunch Menu 12 - 16 October

Monday 12 October

Cheese Pastie

or

Vegetarian Sausage Roll

Tuesday 13 October

BBQ Chicken (v)

Wednesday 14 October

Beef Bolognese (v)

Thursday 15 October

Chicken Dinner (v)

Friday 16 October

Crumbed coated chicken served with chunky chipped
 potatoes, peas or baked beans
 Oven baked fish fingers
 Quorn Nuggets (v) & (GF available)

Jacket potato option also available daily.
(All options are subject to change if needed).



**Please note: School meals now cost £3.20 per
 day (WBC)**

St. Oswald's Catholic Primary School
presents

FIREWORK *Spectacular*

*A Night of Dazzling Lights,
Music, Food, Refreshments & Snacks*

Join us for an evening filled with awe and wonder and a breathtaking firework display. Bring your friends and family for a night of dazzling lights, fun and memories.

TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2026
5.30PM GATES OPEN, FIREWORKS AT
6.30PM

£5 per ticket / £20 Family ticket,
get yours now from the school office or phone
01925-813015



St Oswald's Catholic Primary School & Nursery Open days for EYFS (Nursery & Reception) 2027

Is your child turning 3 and ready to start Nursery?
Or will your child be starting Reception in September 2027?

We would be delighted to welcome you to one of our Open Days at St Oswald's Catholic Primary School.

Visit our wonderful Early Years setting, meet our dedicated EYFS team, and explore our Nursery and Reception classrooms, as well as our exciting outdoor learning facilities.

OPEN DAYS

MON 28 SEPT	5.30PM-6.30PM
WED 7 OCT	9.30AM-10.30AM
MON 19 OCT	1.30PM—2.30PM
FRI 6 NOV	9.30AM—10.30AM & 1.30PM-2.30PM
FRI 13 NOV	9.30AM—10.30AM

Come and see why St Oswald's is the perfect place for your child's learning journey to begin!

EYFS: Nursery & Reception Places 2026-2027

Contact the school office to arrange for a look around

Early Years Education Award winners 2026

stoswalds_primary@sch.warrington.gov.uk

Tel: 01925-813015

We offer:

- Kind and caring staff
- Wonderful children
- Early Years led curriculum
- 15 / 30 hours
- Uniform
- Smooth transition from Nursery to Reception
- Indoor & Outdoor provision
- Vast outdoor spaces





2026 ✨ Year of Reading



Set a Reading Routine
Create a daily or weekly reading schedule that becomes a part of your child's routine. Consistency helps build habits.

Make Reading Fun
Choose books that match your child's interests and age level. Engage with the story by discussing it or acting out parts.

Reward Progress
Celebrate small milestones, like finishing a book or reading a chapter, with praise or a small reward.

How you can help your child to read regularly?



Lead by Example
Show your love for reading by reading regularly yourself. Children are more likely to read if they see you enjoying it.



THE IMPORTANCE OF READING TOGETHER AT HOME

While we celebrate reading in school, the role of parents, carers, and family members cannot be overstated. Reading at home, even for a few minutes each day, helps consolidate what your child learns at school and builds precious family memories. The support and encouragement you provide truly enhance your child's progress and confidence as a reader.

EYFS & Key Stage 1: We recommend sharing a book together for 10–15 minutes every evening.

Key Stage 2: Please encourage your child to read independently or with you for 15–20 minutes nightly.

Talk about characters, the plot, make predictions about what might happen and discuss what has happened to ensure understanding by asking questions about what has happened in the text.

Remember to sign your child's reading record after every session. These records not only keep teachers informed but also celebrate your child's reading journey and achievements.