

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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Year 1 Class Assembly



Reminder to parents/carers that next **Friday 23 October**, is our Year 1 Class Assembly, which takes place in the school hall, at **9am**.

Invites have been sent home!

The theme of the Year 1 assembly is **Creation**.

We look forward to the children's wonderful performance. Everyone welcome!



Reflection

In Sunday's gospel we hear how some people tried to trick Jesus. But he was too clever for them.



God of all, you call us to love you and to care for one another. May we never forget what you ask of us.
Amen.

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Year 6 Condoover Residential

Our Year 6 class leave for Condoover Hall next Wednesday morning. Can children please arrive to school at **9.15am**, with **their bags** and **packed lunch** enter via the back of the school hall. Parents/carers can come into the school hall with the children.

Please can any medicine be clearly labelled in a bag ready to hand over to Mrs Orwin.

Miss Nesbitt will be communicating with Parents/Carers via Google Classroom from Condoover Hall, if you need help accessing Google Classroom please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Reception Class Parent Meetings

Reminder: **Reception Class Parent Consultation Meetings** take place next Monday and Tuesday 19th and 20th October. If you need help booking a meeting with Miss Morris please contact the school office. Any parents who are unable to attend a meeting at this time and would like a brief update from Miss Morris, please contact Miss Morris on teachers@socps.co.uk and she will arrange to speak to you at a mutually convenient time.

🎆 Firework Extravaganza Returns! 🎆

Reminder our Firework Display, is 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. **Please order your tickets next week so they can be distributed before October half term. Thank you.**

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!

FARM FEST
Half term Holiday Club

Ofsted registered

Farm Fest
Not your average holiday club
For 5 - 11 year olds (Y1-Y6)

Join us for:

- Den building with loose parts
- Foraging and cooking
- Wildcrafting with real tools
- Relaxing in tents and hideouts
- Singing and music-making
- Meet and feed the resident pigs
- Free-range play all day

Tax-free childcare and vouchers accepted

Special Half Term Offer
Bring a Friend and both Save £6!

RED HOUSE FARM
DUNHAM MASSEY

Select 'Bring a Friend' ticket and save £6 each
£45.60 £39.60 per child

26th - 30th October
9am - 3.30pm

communitree.co.uk/dunham-massey
info@communitree.co.uk 0800 086 8837



October 2026

JOB VACANCIES - EXAM INVIGILATOR

Cardinal Newman Catholic High School are looking to recruit additional Exam Invigilators for the forthcoming exam period, in January and February 2027 and again in May, June and July 2027, and then as and when required, as determined by the school examination timetable. The appointments are offered on a casual basis. The role involves ensuring correct exam procedures are followed, distribution and collection of examination papers and monitoring students during the examination periods.

Variable hours on a casual basis. Rate of pay £12.35 per hour which includes holiday pay. This is often in the months of January, February, May, June and July annually, to support internal and external examination calendars.

Previous experience of working in a school environment/or as an Invigilator is desirable, but not essential as full training will be provided. Flexibility regarding working hours is required and the role would be suitable for applicants looking for a supplementary form of income. We are committed to safeguarding our students and each other. The successful candidates will be subject to enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service with Child Barring checks.

How to apply

By completing and returning the application form, (including a short statement of why you feel you would be suitable for the role of Invigilator), which can be found on the school's website: <https://www.cardinal-newman.org.uk/vacancies.php>
Please note that full training will be provided by the school.

Key dates

Closing date for applications is Friday 6th November 2026.
Completed application forms should be sent to Mrs. M. Walker (PA to the Headteacher) at mwa@cardinal-newman.co.uk

For a detailed job description, person specification and job application form, please visit the school's website



Stars of the Week



Reception The Whole Class

Year 1 - Aine

Year 2 - Lincoln

Year 3 - Harry

Year 4 - Kyle C

Year 5 - Zack & Olivia

Year 6 - Evie

MFL - Robin Y3

Music - Hannah Y5

Join us on **Friday 6 November** for more stars of the week.

Everyone Welcome!

Whole School Attendance 12 – 16 October 2026

Class	Attendance Percentage
Rec	98.2% - Excellent
Y1	96.6%
Y2	93.9%
Y3	100% - Excellent
Y4	100% - Excellent
Y5	92.7%
Y6	99.4% - Excellent

MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.

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

Whole School attendance this week was 97.3%
 CONGRATULATIONS TO Year 3 & Year 4, WITH THE
 BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK – 100%

Diary Dates

Wednesday 21 – Friday 23 October
 Year 6 Residential – Condover Hall, Shropshire

Friday 23 October
 Foodbank Fridays – Mini Vinnies & School Council
 Year 1 Class Assembly- 9am
 School finishes for October half term

Saturday 31 October 2026
 Deadline for Year 6 Applications for Secondary School



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
 DIWALI

Monday 9 November
 DIWALI Celebration in school

School Lunch Menu 19 - 23 October

Monday 19 October
 Pizza - Pepperoni or Cheese
 (v & GF)



Tuesday 20 October
 Chicken Curry (v & GF)

Wednesday 21 October
 Sweet & Sour Chicken with Noodles (v & GF)

Thursday 22 October
 Beef Bolognese (v & GF)

Friday 23 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.