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St Oswald's Catholic Community:
With Christ at the centre of our
community, our mission is to live,
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The Newsletter **Autumn term no. 9– 6th November 2025**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Up-date since the last newsletter:

- Children from the School Council and Happy Minds Champions were invited to visit the Blue Peter Studio at Media City on Thursday 23rd October. This was a fantastic opportunity for the children to participate in the recording of an episode, meet the presenters and guest gladiators as well as explore the workings of a television studio!
- 2 children in Year 5 raised £505.05 for Alder Hey Children's Hospital as part of the Shine Enterprise Ambassador Programme. Thank you so much to all parents/carers, staff and local businesses for supporting Shine Enterprise Stall and raffle at the end of last term in support of Alder Hey. Our shining Year 5 Ambassadors worked incredibly hard to creatively design and make their beautiful pumpkin stall with a range of wonderful seasonal gifts; Many congratulations to our lucky winners! Well done!
- The PTFA Halloween Disco made £692.00 profit! Thank you for all your fantastic support.
- The Cake Sale raised £113.50. Thank you to Mrs. Nowak for her brilliant bakes!
- The School Nursing Team have been in school on Wednesday to administer the flu vaccinations. They will be returning back soon for a 'mop up' for any child who has been absent from school. We will let you know the day as soon as we have been informed.
- The British Legion have asked if we will sell poppies on their behalf this week. 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'. Other poppy items available are: Zip Pull – 50p, Reflectors – 50p, Silicon Wristband - £1.00, Snap Band - £1.50 (please note that children will only be able to buy one of these items as schools have been restricted to 1 box only this year). Each class has an allocated time slot to come along and purchase their poppies.
Thursday 6th November– R, Y1, Y2 and Y5
Friday 7th November – Y3, Y4, Y6
- The Parish Remembrance Service will be held on Sunday at 10am.

Coming up this term:

Friday 7th November - Y5 visit to Rock & River Centre, Mawdesley for a day of outdoor adventure. We will depart after registration and return back at approx. 4pm.

Tuesday 11th November - Freddy Fit will be in school all day to work with every class promoting fitness and healthy eating. The day is funded from the Sport Premium budget that primary schools receive from the Government. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school.

Friday 14th November - Children in Need Fundraising Day 2025. The children can come to school either in pyjamas or wearing something spotty in return of a donation of £1. Buckets will be on the gate!

Friday 14th November - Y5 Parent Assembly in the hall at 2.40pm. Y5 will be presenting their assembly on the theme of 'It's Good to be Me' as part of National Anti-Bullying Week. Parents are welcome at 2.40pm.

Monday 17th November -Y4 Sacramental Programme meeting for parents at 6.30pm **in church** to discuss the programme and the commitment that it will mean over the coming months until your child makes their First Holy Communion in May. **It is important that you attend the meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact Fr. Michael on 01772 612136.**

Wednesday 19th November - EYFS Maths Workshop 2-3pm. Parents invited to come along to find out how to support your child with Maths in the Early Years. Please complete the slip attached.

Thursday 20th November Scholastic Book Fair 3.15-3.45 pm in the Green Room. Payments can be made by cash, cheque or debit/credit card using the QR code printed on the stall. Books start from £2.99 so feel free to pop in and support the love of reading.
OR
Monday 24th November

Friday 21st November - Reception visit to British Commercial Vehicle Museum, Leyland as part of their 'Past & Present Vehicles' topic.

Sunday 23rd November – Y4 Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass 10.30am

Wednesday 26th November – Y2 will visit Longton Library for a Christmas story & crafts session.

Friday 28th November -Y3 will be presenting their assembly for parents on the theme of Advent at 2.40pm in the school hall.

Some December dates for your diary...

Monday 1st December -Y4 Reconciliation Day with Fr Michael. Y4 Parents invited to church at 2.15pm for the Service of Reconciliation.

Tuesday 2nd December - We will be doing the annual PTFA Sponsored Santa Dash at 2.45pm; all the children and staff will be joining in. The children can bring a Christmas hat, Santa beard or the full Santa outfit to wear for the event if they wish to. Sponsor forms will be sent home w/c 17th November with your child. The event is always great fun, gets us fit and raises some money! Parents can come along to spectate or even join in. There will be a cake sale after the event.

Wednesday 3rd December – The School Choir have been invited to St Andrew's Church in Longton to sing at the Longton Christmas Lights Switch On! Children will need to wear school uniform and a Christmas hat. We will meet in St Andrew's Church at 5.50pm; the celebration starts at 6pm.

Tuesday 9th December - Infant Nativity starring Reception, Y1 and Y2 in church at 2pm and 6.30pm. School will provide every child with a costume so no need to worry!

Thursday 11th December – Y4 Visit to Lancaster City Museum as part of their 'Romans' topic (letter issued 5th November).

Friday 12th December – 'Rock Steady Band' Christmas Performance 2pm in the school hall. Parents of children who take part in the sessions are invited to come along and watch the children perform in their bands! This will finish by 3pm.

Monday 15th December – Final swimming session for Y3.

Wednesday 17th December - PTFA Christmas Family Bingo 6.30pm – 8.00pm in school. Free tickets are available from the office from Monday 24th November. Bingo Books available on the night for a suggested donation of £2. Prizes to be won, tuck shop open, tea and coffee available. Come along for a fun night with the family! You need a ticket for this event; last year we sold out!! No tickets will be available on the door for this event.

Car Park Safety:

Please can we remind parents when dropping off or waiting to collect your child to keep clear of the pedestrian walkway. Thank you.

Community News:

Longton Carnival Committee have asked us to share the Longton Winter Wonderland on Sunday 30th November (please see flyer attached).

And finally....

Alice in Year 4 has been very busy over the last few weeks making bracelets to raise money towards new picnic benches for school. Alice will be selling these on Monday (10th November) at breaktime in the library. If your child wishes to buy a bracelet, please send £1.50 in a named envelope. Many thanks.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

C Hough
Headteacher

RECEPTION MATHS WORKSHOP – WEDNESDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2025

I am able to come along to the Maths Workshop on Wednesday 19th November.

Name of child: Signature of parent/carer:
