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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 Newsletter Summer Term Newsletter No.8– 18th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is sending out his disciples to heal and to preach the good news. Even if they are met with hostility and persecution, they must be true to Jesus. Jesus himself was fearless in proclaiming truth and exposing falsehood. Now his disciples must courageously do the same. Most of us require courage at some time in our lives, so it's good and helpful to nurture courage in our children. As our children mature, it's essential for them to be brave and have the courage to say 'no' when necessary, even if it means going against the crowd or speaking up for truth.

Update since last newsletter:

- Y6 had a great CPR Superhero's Day on Friday. They have all completed their basic first aid awareness course. They now have the confidence and skills to help someone when they are unable to help themselves.
- Well done to Y3 and Y5 who had a fantastic Sports Days this week.
- Y1 had a story session at Longton Library on Friday. Thank you to our volunteers who helped out on the visit.
- Congratulations to the Y6 Cricket Team who came 3rd in their tournament.
- Y5 enjoyed their taster day at All Hallows on Tuesday.
- Y2 had a wonderful time at Skipton Castle on Tuesday learning about castles as part of their History topic. Staff commented how well behaved the children were.
- South Ribble Active Sports delivered Tri-Golf sessions to children in Y3-Y6 on Wednesday. The children had a great time learning new golfing skills.

LAST REMINDER- Saturday 20th June -PTFA Summer Fair 12pm – 2.30pm

- Thank you for all the donations sent in. We really do appreciate your support.
- Any help on the day would be greatly appreciated, even if it is just for half an hour. Let the office know if you can volunteer to help set up or run a stall or help to pack away at the end of the Fair. We really appreciate the extra help offered.
- Raffle tickets still available to buy from the school office. Please return any tickets sold with money to school asap. See flyer attached for the list of prizes. **The 1st prize is a brand-new Amazon Echo Show 5 (3rd generation) smart speaker! Echo Dot Kids also.** Other prizes include fitness sessions; Players in Education voucher (worth over £130!); £40 Hickory's Restaurant Voucher; Amazon Gift Vouchers and a selection of luxury hampers! Thank you.

The Fair will open at 12 noon with the choir singing followed by the Guitar Groups at 12.15pm. The finals of the Talent Show will be at 1pm. Dance Showcase at 2pm, finishing off with the Raffle being drawn at 2.20pm. Come along and have some fun. Refreshments available on the day; tea & coffee, Prosecco & Cider Tent, hot-dogs, cakes, tuck etc.

The PTFA work so hard every year to make sure the Fair is a great success so please support in any way you can.

Coming up:

Tuesday 23rd June

Y6 trip to Lowe House, St Helens. A fun day of activities as part of their Faith in Action Award.

Y5 Cricket Tournament organised by South Ribble Active Sports 9.15am – 2.30pm at Vernons Carus Cricket Club, Penwortham. Parents can spectate.

Mobile Zoo visit to Reception. Please return the slip and make the payment of £8.50 in order for this to go ahead.

Wednesday 24th June

Little Owls Session 4 9.15am – 11.30am.

Dance from the Heart 2026. Every year we have joined in the roadshow organised by South Ribble Sports Partnership. The children have to learn a dance and perform it. This year the theme is 'Finding yourself through music & movement'. We always like to invite parents to come along and this year the gate will open at 9.30am ready for the roadshow which starts at 9.35am to 10am. Come and join us!

Last Y4 Football session and Y5/Y6 Cricket session.

Thursday 25th June

Cake sale for Nugent Care. All money raised will be donated to the Good Shepherd Appeal 2026 in aid of Nugent Care. Thank you.

Friday 26th June

LONGTON LIVE 2026. St Oswald's is a venue for Longton Live on Friday night only. WRISTBANDS ARE ON SALE AT £6.00 each (free for children under 12). Each year, wristbands sell out so don't be disappointed. School receive all the proceeds from the wristbands. The Choir will kick us off at 6.15pm followed by the guitar groups and ending with a singalong with Mr Campbell. The 7pm slot has a lineup of young talent (programmes are available with the wristbands). There will be a tuck shop and bar available.

Tuesday 30th June

Open Morning 9.15am – 10.30 am. Everyone welcome to come along and see the school in action. The School Choir will be singing at 10.20am in the hall.

Good Shepherd Appeal Mass 2026 at St Marys Catholic Church in Leyland. This year's Good Shepherd Appeal in aid of Nugent Care is themed "**Love your Neighbour**" inviting children to reflect on how we know, value, and care for those within our communities.

GUITAR LESSONS WITH MISS GALEA:

There will be a beginners ukulele/guitar group starting in September on Mondays at 9.00am. The lessons will be provided by Carmel Galea who teaches at many local Primary and High Schools.

A letter has been sent home with children in Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y5 regarding beginners guitar/ukulele lessons. Any further information, please email carmel@cmg-guitars.co.uk.

WIND/BRASS BAND LESSONS:

From September 2026, we are hoping to offer an after-school wind band on a Thursday from 3:15-4:15pm. This is for children who would like to play a brass or wind instrument. This includes cornet, baritone, flute, clarinet and saxophone. The club is open to all key stage two children. Mrs Campbell will run this club. A letter will be sent home with your child tomorrow, Friday 19th June.

FACE, FAMILY ADVICE:

Please find attached a timetable for online parent sessions to provide accessible, affordable support to parents and all those who care for school-age children and teenagers. FACE focus on giving clear strategies, guidance and tools that you can use in real life situations – helping parents to build confidence and create positive, lasting change within your family.

And finally....

Please can everyone take extra care when parking on the carpark. There have been several incidents over the last few weeks of cars being scratched and bumped. Thank you.

Please contact us if you have any concerns or queries.

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