

St Oswald's Newsletter 25.9.26



'Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Each Other'

This week's Wednesday Word is: 'Change'

Dear Lord Jesus, grant me the courage to **change** what can be **changed**, the peace to accept things that cannot be **changed**, and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

"We all can improve and change for the better"

Pope Francis (2013-2025)

In this Sunday's Gospel, we are reminded that, even if like one of the sons who initially responded in the wrong way to his father, but changed his actions in time, it is better to do this. This week, we have been reflecting upon the positive changes we have made and grown in goodness over the last few months.

Nut Free School

As part of our commitment to safeguarding children with severe allergies, we are a **nut-free school**. Please help us maintain a safe environment by ensuring that no nut-containing products are brought onto the school premises. Thank you for your understanding and support.



AWARD WINNERS



	Ozzie's Champ	Top-Table Winner
Reception	George B	Lottie C
Sparrows	Alyx P	Ivy D
Robins	Frankie McC	Hunter McF
Starlings	Libby G	Florence A
Magpies	Amelia McF	Amelie S
Seagulls	Evie H	Theo C
Owls	Skye F	Miles H
Eagles	Lucas S	Joseph C-G

Mass Times

Saturday
St Wilfrid's 6pm

Sunday
Our Lady's
9:30am & 6:30pm
St Oswald's
11am



Attendance Matters

Every school day is an opportunity for children to learn, grow and make happy memories with their friends. Regular attendance helps children feel confident, settled and able to make the most of every learning opportunity. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school every day and arrives on time. Together, we can help every child thrive at St Oswald's.

	Attendance
Reception	94.4%
Sparrows	97.2%
Robins	94.9%
Starlings	95.5%
Magpies	94.2%
Seagulls	96.8%
Owls	97.6%
Eagles	93.2%

EYFS Stay and Play

A reminder that on the 9th October, at 2pm, parents/carers or other family members have the opportunity come visit our EYFS classroom to work with their children. The focus of this session is Phonics and how you can help your children at home. You will get to see a Monster Phonics lesson and access activities which you maybe able to replicate at home.

Open Morning and Open Evening

We were delighted to welcome prospective new starter families into school to experience our wonderful EYFS provision and see our learning environment in action. It was a pleasure to share the warm, nurturing ethos that makes St Oswald's such a special place to learn, grow and thrive. Thank you to all the families who visited, and we look forward to welcoming many new children into our school community in the future.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Dr Wilkinson and Governors have sent out separate communication in letter form about our Parent Governor vacancy. Please do read the information carefully, particularly around the nature of the role and the expectations. If you have any questions about the role, please do contact Dr A Wilkinson, as Chair of Governors, through the Main Office. Deadline for applications is Monday 28th September.

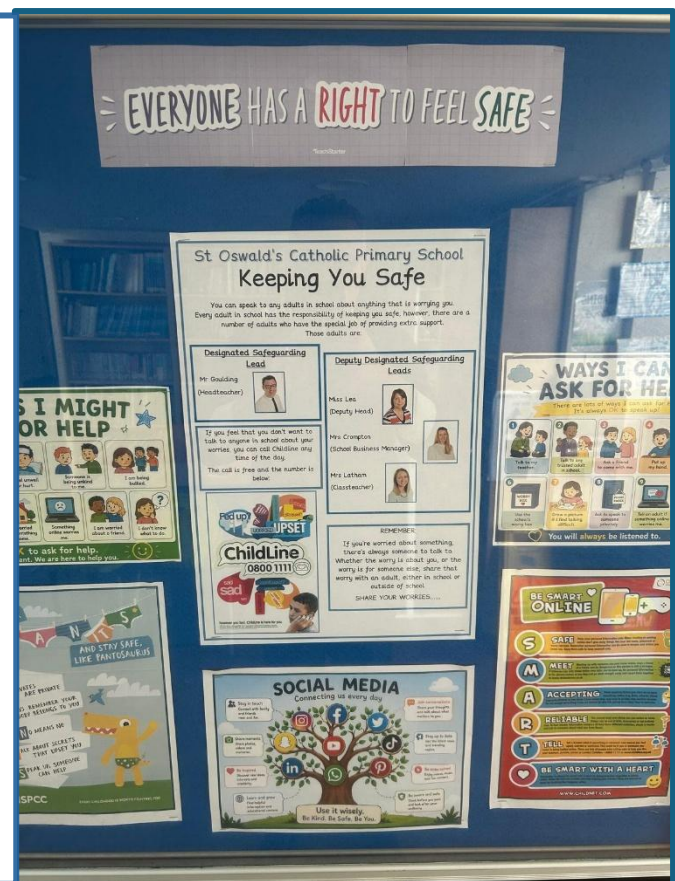
Year 6 Parent Meeting

Thank you to all our Year 6 parents and carers who attended our Welcome to Year 6 meeting. It was wonderful to share important information about the year ahead and discuss the exciting opportunities and expectations that await our pupils. We greatly value your support and look forward to working together to ensure a successful and memorable final year at St Oswald's.



Safeguarding at St Oswald's

At our school, safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do, and the safety and wellbeing of every child is our highest priority. We provide a safe, caring and nurturing environment where children feel valued, supported and confident to ask for help when they need it. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr. Goulding, supported by our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads, who are available to support children, families and staff with any concerns. We also have a child-friendly safeguarding display in school which helps children identify trusted adults, understand how to seek help and know what to do if they are worried about themselves or others.



Waer Green for MacMillan

Today, children and staff came to school dressed in green to support Macmillan Cancer Support and help raise money for this wonderful charity. We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who took part and donated, helping to make a difference to people affected by cancer. Special thanks go to Mrs Donlon, who spoke to the children about Macmillan and shared her own inspiring fundraising experiences, helping everyone understand the importance of supporting others in times of need. Thank you for your kind donations, we raised a total of £188.60.





ST OSWALD'S PTFA AGM

Robin Hood Pub Ashton | **6:30pm - 7:30pm**
28th September 2026

Come along and make a difference and join the PTFA!

Are you interested in becoming the Chair, Treasurer or Secretary? | Or can spare an hour at our fundraisers?

Come along with new ideas!

Email saintoswaldspta@gmail.com | or follow us on Instagram [Saintoswaldspta](https://www.instagram.com/saintoswaldspta)




Join us tomorrow for parkrun's Macmillan Coffee Morning!

Hi Jane,

Macmillan Cancer Support will be taking over parkrun this Saturday in the name of Coffee Morning! Will you be coming down for a walk or run and coffee to join them?

Victoria Park St Helens in the morning. Start time 9am!!



Superdrug Nurse Clinic

HELP TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM COMMON INFECTIONS

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AUTUMN TERM DATES

St Oswald's Catholic Primary School

SEPTEMBER

22nd
September



Before school judo Club Y1-Y6

24th
September



Open morning for prospective new starters
5pm – Open evening for prospective new starters

25th
September



Wear green for McMillan Cancer Research Charity

OCTOBER

9th
October



Eaglets – Stay and Play – further details to follow

16th
October



Tempest School photographer in school

23rd
October



School closes for half-term

NOVEMBER

6th
November



PTFA – wear bright colours for a £1 donation

6th
November



Christmas Card designs to go home today

10th
November



Christmas Card designs back to school today

11th
November



Remembrance Garden Visit
Children who belong to a uniformed organisation e.g. Brownies, cubs, can wear their uniform to school

13th
November



Children in Need – more details to follow

16th
November



Donations for food and toiletries hamper for senior citizens

23rd
November



EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 – Parent Interviews – PM

24th
November



Year 3-6 Parent Interviews – PM

26th
November



Rock Kidz – Anti-Bullying

27th
November



Bring a Christmas decoration in for the Christmas tree – Peace theme

DECEMBER

4th
December



PTFA Own clothes day – bring in chocolate or tombola donation 1.30-3.30pm – Sing a long bingo

W/C
7th
December



Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsals week – Costumes to be in school

8th
December



Christmas Fair

10th
December



Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Lunch – whole school

11th
December



Eaglets Christmas Performance – Doors open 2.15pm

14th
December



KS1 Christmas Performance – Doors open 1.45pm

15th
December



Y3 and Y4 Christmas Performance – Doors open 1.45pm

16th
December



Y5 Christmas Performance – Doors open 1.45pm

17th
December



Y6 Christmas Performance – Doors open 1.45pm

17th
December



Y5 and Y6 Choir performing at the St Edmund Arrowsmith High School Christmas Carol Concert – more details to follow

18th
December



Christmas Party Day – Own clothes – more details to follow

18th
December



Schools closes for Christmas