St Oswald's Newsletter 27.11.26

'Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Each Other'

This week's Wednesday Word is: 'Prayer'

Can you complete the Lord's **Prayer**: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day...

"Prayer is the best gift of love you can give anyone you love."

St Teresa of Calcutta

This week, the children have been reflecting upon how **prayer** is spending time with God, talking and listening, sharing your life with God. Advent is a time to get ready to welcome Jesus and draw closer to God. **Prayer** helps us to do this. We can pray anywhere and at any time.

Mass Times

Saturday
St Wilfrid's 6pm

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

AWARD WINNERS

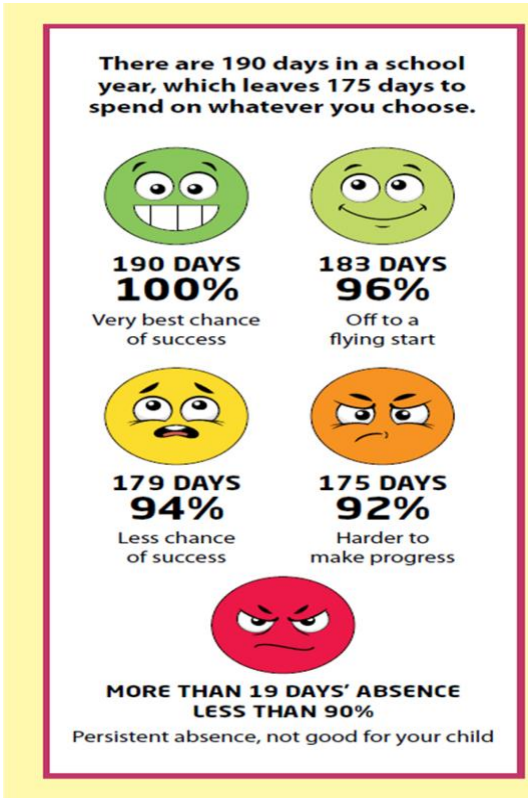
	Ozzie's Champ	Top-Table Winner
Reception	Robin W	George B
Sparrows	Gino B	Riley W
Robins	Amelia C	Frankie McC
Starlings	Alice C	Mason Calt
Magpies	Harry A	Nolan W
Seagulls	Dylan B	Bobby P
Owls	Jonah A	Mireya E
Eagles	Emily B	Maia M

	Attendance
Reception	90.4%
Sparrows	96.3%
Robins	89.7%
Starlings	94.4%
Magpies	96.9%
Seagulls	96.1%
Owls	95.2%
Eagles	87.1%



Coats, Hats, Gloves and Scarves

As we move into winter, please could you ensure that all coats, hats, gloves and scarves have your child's name in. Thank you.





Children Sharing the Message of Advent in St Oswald's Church

This Advent, we are delighted to be working with Father John and Deacon Jim, who have invited our children to create artwork, prayers and reflections to help celebrate this special season of preparation for the coming of Jesus. As Advent begins on Sunday, we encourage all families to attend mass throughout the season to enjoy the children's wonderful contributions, spend time in prayer and reflection, and draw closer to God as we prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Advent Prayers and Reflections: A Gift from Our Children

Our children have been invited to create Advent reflections and prayers for the St Oswald's and St Edmund Arrowsmith Parish Facebook page, which will be shared each week in a special video. Please follow the parish Facebook page throughout Advent to watch the videos and join us in prayer and reflection as we prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Food and Toiletries donations

A reminder to parents and carers that we are still collecting donations for our Christmas Hampers, which will be used as prizes at our School Sing Along Bingo for our senior citizens and parish family. We would be grateful for donations of non-perishable food items, toiletries and festive treats, which can be sent into school with your child.

Rock Kidz

The children enjoyed being a Rock Star on Thursday for the day to continue celebrating the Anti-Bullying message of **'Break The Silence'**, celebrating that we always choose kindness.



Wigan And Leigh Hospice

We are proud to be supporting the Wigan & Leigh Hospice Christmas Flumpets appeal, a charity that holds a special place in the hearts of many within our school and local community. By purchasing a Flumpet, families are supporting the outstanding care and compassion that the hospice provides to patients and their families when they need it most. We will be selling Flumpets from

Monday 30th November.

Parent Interviews

This week, parents/carers were invited into school for their child's parent interview. This was an opportunity to see how your child has settled into their year, celebrate what is going well and discuss ways in which we can work together to support your child going forwards. Thank you to parents/carers for your continued support.

Own Clothes Day

On **Friday 4th December,** the children can wear their own clothes in return for donating a chocolate item for our Christmas Tombola.



Rock Kidz

https://bsky.app/profile/rockkidzuk.bsky.social

See our Tic Tok debut.













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



Christmas Hamper Appeal

This Christmas, we are asking the school community to help spread some festive cheer.

We are collecting **food items** and **toiletries** to create special Christmas hampers for the **senior citizens within our local community.** These hampers will be lovingly put together by our pupils and presented at our

Sing-a-long Bingo Event on 4th December

Any additional donations will be gifted to **Ashton Food Pantry**, helping local families who may be finding Christmas a difficult time.

Every donation, big or small, can make a difference.

Ideas for donations:

- Tinned foods
- Pasta, rice & cereals
- Tea, coffee & biscuits
- Soap, shower gel & toiletries
- Christmas treats
- Toothpaste & hygiene products

Please send donations into school as soon as possible.

Together, we can bring a little extra warmth, kindness and Christmas magic to those who need it most.

