St Oswald's Newsletter 6.11.26

'Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Each Other'

This week's Wednesday Word is: 'Wisdom'

Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to grow in **wisdom,** to be kind and loving, and so one day to share with you in all the joys of heaven. Amen.

"Wisdom is kind and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good.!"

St James

Wisdom is a gift from God which helps to see things more clearly and make the right choices in life. God loves us and sent Jesus to help us to grow in **wisdom.** This week, we have asked the children to choose a ways in which they can try to grow in God's **wisdom** such as considering our actions on others.

AWARD WINNERS

	Ozzie's Champ	Top-Table Winner
Reception	Grace S	Maya Mc
Sparrows	Anja C-B	Lillian McN
Robins	Alfie R	Hani C-R
Starlings	Nellie L	Ruby T
Magpies	Lucas Mc	Joe R
Seagulls	Lucas C	Georgie Mc
Owls	James P	Scarlett S
Eagles	Hailey L	Eva M

Mass Times

Saturday
St Wilfrid's 6pm

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

	Attendance
Reception	94.3%
Sparrows	95.4%
Robins	95.2%
Starlings	95.0%
Magpies	94.6%
Seagulls	95.8%
Owls	97.0%
Eagles	93.1%

Christmas Cards

Today, your child will have brought their Christmas card designs home. The money raised from your orders goes directly back to our school and our children.

If you would like these made into Christmas cards, mugs, calendars etc. the deadline for returning your child's design is **Tuesday 10th November.** We can then send them off and ensure that your orders arrive in time for Christmas.

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11th November, all classes will be visiting the Remembrance Garden. If children are part of a uniformed organisation, they are able wear this particular uniform on this day of remembrance.

November: A Month of Remembrance and Prayer

In November, our school enters a month of prayer and remembrance, reflecting on the lives of the saints and remembering the faithful departed. Families are invited to add the names of loved ones who have died to our School Remembrance Book by emailing the school office with their name and date of passing. Throughout November, they will be remembered in the prayers of our school community.

Y3/Y4 Event

On Thursday, a group of children enjoyed fun, 'hands on' activities at Wigan Youth Zone. Mr Little, as always, was extremely proud of how they tackled the various activities with perseverance and the correct attitude to everything! Please see the pictures below and well done to the children!







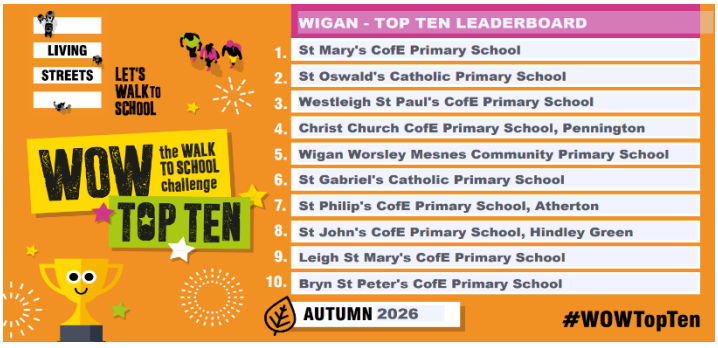












Walk to School

We are pleased to announce that our school is 2nd on the Walk to School Leaderboard out of all of the schools in Wigan.

CHALLENGE FOR YOU.. Can we aim for 1st?

We ask that you park your car on the market or church car park and walk over to school. This will be logged as 'Park and Stride' and help push us towards that top spot!

Thank you!

A total of **£189.38** has been raised today.
Thank you for your generosity.

Wear Bright Clothes Day

Today, the children were able to wear their bright clothes for a £1 donation.
Thank you to parents/carers for their contributions.













PFTA

This week, unfortunately for our school and children, parents/carers were informed that we no longer have an established PFTA due to low numbers of volunteers. We thank the past and current members of the PFTA for their commitment to raising money for our children over many years- this has had a positive impact on the children, such as funding our school trim trail, improving our school environment and their latest purchase of a new sound system for the hall, just in time before the Christmas nativities begin! Our school will continue to hold various events throughout the year to raise money which the children will continue to directly benefit from.

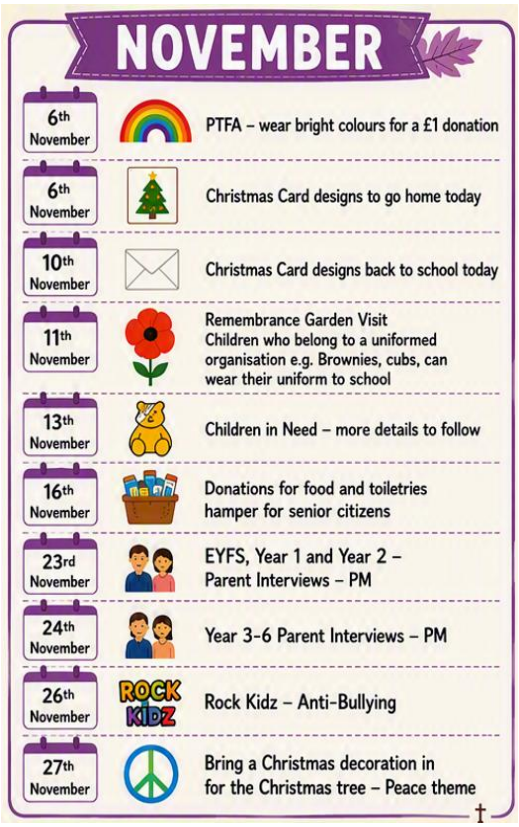
Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 16th November

We are asking children to come to school wearing odd socks!



Rock Kidz
Thursday 26th November

Come to school dressed like a rock star!





Children in Need
Friday 13th November

We are asking children to come to school wearing spots or yellow! Any donation that our families can make will go towards making a difference to the lives of children and young people all across Britain.

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WOOHOO... MONDAY 16TH NOVEMBER IS ODD SOCKS DAY!

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week!
To celebrate that we are all unique, we ask that children wear odd socks to work, school or wherever you go on Monday 16th November. Andy Day (CBeebies/CBBC) and his band Andy and the Odd Socks are partnering with the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help bring Odd Socks Day to life again this year. Have a listen to the brilliant song they have recorded especially for Anti- Bullying Week, 'Who's Wearing Odd Socks?!'.



WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way.

MONDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?

It's so easy! 😊 Here's what you do:

1. Make sure your child wears odd socks to school.
2. Donate £1 (or whatever you can afford) to help the Anti-Bullying Alliance carry on important work.

If you want to, you can share a photo or video online and feel free to add the 'Who's Wearing Odd Socks?!' audio to your posts! Don't forget to tag us using #OddSocksDay #AntiBullyingWeek and tag @ABAonline on X. Or @AntiBullyingAlliance and @AndyandtheOddSocks on Instagram.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Every penny goes to the Anti-Bullying Alliance to help continue all their work. We can't wait to see all the odd socks on Monday 16th November ...
If you have any questions please ask:

Online Safety Changes to TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Quick practice. Big progress!





You may have seen recent BBC coverage about how much time children spend on Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS). The TTRS team has already informed us about changes coming on **Tuesday 24th November** to encourage shorter practice sessions.

From Tuesday 24th November, the following settings will apply automatically:

Overnight curfew

Children's accounts will be unavailable between **8pm and 7am.**

Daily limit outside school

There will be a **20 minute maximum** for use outside school each day.

School leaderboards

These will be switched off by default.



The 20 minute limit is a maximum. TTRS recommends just three minutes of practice, four or five times a week.

A quick go a few times a week is enough to build confidence and help children recall their times tables more quickly.

Good to know...

- There's nothing **families** need to set up.
- You can read more on the TTRS Digital Wellbeing page.

"A little practice goes a long way!"

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