St Oswald's RC Primary School

Newsletter 11th November 2026

A Prayer for Remembrance and Advent

Dear Lord,
As we remember those who gave their lives for peace and freedom, help us to be peacemakers in our world today.
As we journey through Advent, prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus with hope, love and joy.
Guide us to show kindness, share your light and bring peace to those around us.
Amen.

SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN

The School Nurse is here on 19th November from 9:15 – 10:15am. If you would like to make an appointment to see her, please contact Mrs Lee

At St Oswald's we are celebrating



Mass times at St Mary's Church

Saturday Mass - **6:30pm**
Sunday Mass - **10:00 am**

If you would like your child to be **baptised** or to begin preparing for their **First Holy Communion**, please speak to **Father O'Brien**, who will be happy to provide further information and guidance.

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Is your child due to start Reception class in September 2027? The deadline for applying for a primary school place is **15th January 2027.**
You can apply for a place online:

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-school-place/

NURSERY PLACES

We currently have places available in our nursery. Children are eligible for 15 hours free in the term after their 3rd birthday. Call into the office for an application form if you would like to apply for a place for your child.

What are the children learning about in Religious Education lessons?

This half-term, our Religious Education learning focuses on Prophecy and Promise, as we prepare for the joyful celebration of Christmas. The children will explore how God promised to send a Saviour and how this promise was fulfilled through the birth of Jesus. They will discover the important role of the prophets, who shared God's messages and helped people prepare for the coming of Jesus.
Through Bible stories, discussion, prayer, reflection and creative activities, the children will deepen their understanding of the Christmas story and why the birth of Jesus is so special to Christians.
How can you support your child at home?
You might like to talk together about the Christmas story, share an Advent prayer, discuss the importance of keeping promises or think of small acts of kindness you can do as a family.
As we journey towards Christmas, we look forward to helping the children discover the true meaning of this special season and the joy, hope and love that Jesus brings to the world. Watch out for our travelling cribs that will be available to take home when the season of Advent begins.

"Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him." – Matthew 3:3

DIARY DATES

11th November - Remembrance Day
11th November 9:00am - Remembrance Day Celebration of the Word
11th November - GIFT Team to attendance Remembrance service at Church
16th November - Let's go Sing in school
16th November - Mental Health/Anti Bullying Week
17th November - Class 4 & Class 7 Fire Safety Talks with Fire Brigade
18th November - Class 6 & 7 Remembrance Mass at Church
19th November - School Nurse Drop in Session (9:15 – 10:15am)
20th November - Odd Socks Day
23rd November - Road Safety Week EYFS & KS1
25th November - NO After School Clubs
27th November - Lancashire Day, wear something red to school
27th November - Lancashire Day Lunchtime Special
1st December - Go Purple for Advent, bring an item for the food bank
4th December - Non Uniform Day, bring an item for Christmas Hamper Raffle
9th December - Nursery Christmas Performances **11am and 2:30pm**
9th December – Mount Carmel Carol Concert 6:00pm
11th December - NO After School Club
14th December – NO After School Clubs this week
14th December - Christmas Jumper Day
14th December - Traditional Christmas Dinner
15th December – KS2 Christmas Performance **2:15pm**
16th December - KS1 Christmas Performance **2:15pm**
17th December – Commendation Assembly 9:00am
17th December – Christmas Craft Afternoon (Times to be advised)
18th December – Christmas Party Day
18th December – Elf Behaving Badly Lunchtime Special
18th December – Christmas Bingo
18th December – School closes at 3:15pm
4th January - School re-opens after the Christmas break