

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### **Our Thoughts and Prayers**

We are deeply saddened to learn of the devastating events in Manchester. Our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and families of those who have been affected.

The NSPCC advise any child or teenager upset and anxious in light of this news is for them to talk to a trusted adult, be it a parent, teacher or Childline. If any parents are concerned about how to talk to their children about this issue, please see this link below.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/news-opinion/supporting-children-worried-about-terrorism/>

### **Attendance**

Congratulations to Year 6 class who had 98.1% attendance last week. They get to have "Cuddles" the bear upstairs again all week. Y6 - 98.1%, R - 97.7%, Y5 & Y4 - 97.3%, Y1 - 96.7%, Y2 - 91.4%, Y3 - 90.7%, N - AM - 93.3%, N - PM - 86.8%

### **Whole School Photograph**

The whole school (all children and staff) will be having their photo taken together on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Afternoon Nursery children will need to come into school in the morning to be included on the photograph. Timings will be confirmed nearer the time.

### **Christian Aid Big Brekkie**

Last Thursday, every class had breakfast together to help show love for people living in poverty and suffering injustice around the world. The big brekkie was a huge success and greatly enjoyed by the children. We raised a total of £166.91. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.

### **Military School Day**

This Friday, all children will be participating in an activity day with UK Military School. All children will need their PE kit in school on Friday.

### **Welfare Assistant Vacancy**

We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Hawley who has worked with our children over the lunch period for the last 14 years. We all wish Mrs Hawley well and thank her for the years that she has served St Oswald's.

As such, we currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime Welfare Assistant starting as soon as possible. For more information and to apply, please go to <https://www.sefton.gov.uk/jobs-training/job-vacancies.aspx>

### **30 Hours Provision in Nursery**

From September, we are hoping to offer some places in our school Nursery for the extended entitlement of 30 hours. Parents can check eligibility for three and four year olds on the Guidance document which is now on our school website.

<http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com/page/key-information/30511>

### Please help to fill our Green Token collection box at Asda Bootle

Our green token box is now live at Asda Bootle until June. Asda tokens can either be placed in St Oswald's box in Asda Bootle (behind the New Strand) or handed into the school office and we will put them in.

### Competitive Athletics Day - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Attached to the newsletter is the timetable of events for the day. KS2 will run during the morning.

The following times are approximate:

Group 1: 9-10 am Year 3/4

Group 2: 10-11 Year 4/5

Group 3: 11-12 Year 5/6

KS1 will be during the afternoon.

Parents and Carers are welcome to come along to spectate.

### PE Kit

Starting in September we are changing the white T-shirt for PE to red. This was raised at a parent governor meeting, where parents explained that the white t-shirt gets very dirty, very quickly and could the colour be changed? The red t-shirts will be introduced from September and the white t-shirts will be phased out. You can place your order for red t-shirts at the school office.

### Forthcoming Dates

#### May 2017

24<sup>th</sup> May 6.30pm - Parent meeting for new Reception class in September

25<sup>th</sup> May - Stay n' Play in Reception Class.

26<sup>th</sup> May - Military School Activity Day for Years 1 - 6

We say Goodbye to Marta our Spanish Language Assistant

Last day of half term

**Week Beginning 29<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term**

#### June 17

**Sporting events begin so all children will need their PE kits in school!**

5<sup>th</sup> June - First day back, school opens at normal time. Competitive Athletics day

6<sup>th</sup> June - World Cup Day

7<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 Residential to Colomendy

8<sup>th</sup> June - Election day, school to be used as Polling Station - School open to all pupils

12<sup>th</sup> June - Sports For All Day

13<sup>th</sup> June - Fun Run at Litherland Sport Park (see website for timetable of classes)

16<sup>th</sup> June - Sporties for children of new starters to Reception class in September

pm - Sponsored Walk

19<sup>th</sup> June - Whole School Photo

11.15am - Mini - church for Nursery and Reception families at Church

20<sup>th</sup> June - Year 2 trip to Museum

21<sup>st</sup> June - 10.00am - Whole School Communion at Church - all welcome

22<sup>nd</sup> June - Tri-golf Tournament for invited KS2 pupils. Y5/6 Maths Challenge at Netherton Moss

23<sup>rd</sup> June - Week 2 of Sporties

26<sup>th</sup> June - Years 1 & 2 to Liverpool Philharmonic Hall

27<sup>th</sup> June - am - Public Speaking contest at Litherland High School

pm - Year 6 Leaver's Service at Liverpool Cathedral

28<sup>th</sup> June - Year 2 & 6 graduate at Edge Hill for Children's University

30<sup>th</sup> June - Week 3 of Sporties

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh  
Headteacher