

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### **Attendance**

Year 5 once again had the highest attendance this week with 100%, congratulations to Year 5! They will have Cuddles the bear and the class voucher - Y5 - 98.7%, Y2 - 97.2%, Y4 - 96.3%, R - 94.3%, Y1 - 93%, Y6 - 91.9%, Y3 - 90%, N - AM - 88.7% ,N - PM - 87.7%

### **Parent Conduct and Attire when Collecting Children**

Can I respectfully ask parents to come to school fully clothed to pick up their children and please speak to the staff as you would like to be spoken to. Thank you.

### **Book Fair**

Our fantastic half price book fair will be running from next Wednesday, 4th July until 10<sup>th</sup> July. We are running a competition where children need to write a short piece about their favourite author. They can present it however they wish and we would like them to add some drawings of books they have read or of the author as we would like to display the competition entries in school. Entries should be sent into school by this Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June.

First prize is £15.00 to spend at the fair (£30 of books) and there will be two second prizes of £5.00 each (£10 of books) to spend at the book fair. Good luck!

### **Guess the name of the Teddy**

There is still time for your child to join in the competition that Year 6 are holding to guess the name of a teddy.

All children are invited to take part and will be able to guess the name for 50p.

Children from Year 6 will be visiting classrooms this week to allow children to enter.

The winner will be announced during assembly this Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June. All money raised will be donated to Sefton Women and Children's Aid.

### **Sponsored Walk**

Our annual sponsored walk was on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017. This year all monies raised will be going to school funds for the extras that the children get throughout the year. As you are aware there have been many cuts this year and all extras will have to be cut too. Any extra funding we can raise ourselves will be hugely beneficial. Please send all money and sponsor forms into school by this Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

### **Parent contact details in case of emergency**

Can you please make sure that school has details on file for any people that will be collecting your child from school. In the case of an emergency we need all contact details to be up to date.

### **PE Kits**

All PE Kits must be in school as there are PE events on most days this term. Thank you.

### **Fund Raising**

One of our parents, Greg Everett is completing a charity bike race to raise funds for school to improve and develop a sensory garden. We love as many donations as possible. Any money donated can be sent into school or visit <https://mydonate.bt.com/charity/search-results.html?searchString=St+Oswalds+school>

### **St Joseph's Hospice Garden Party**

St Joseph's Hospice Garden Party takes place at 1.15PM on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018, in the grounds of the Hospice on Ince Rd, there will be a refreshment tent serving tea, coffee and cold drinks. There will be the teddy bear picnic and parade so bring along your teddies in their Sunday best. There will be a barbeque, ice cream, games and lots of stalls including our famous teddy bear tombola and lots of entertainment.

### **Free School Meals**

Reminder to Year 2 parents that you will need to apply for Free School Meals for September as you will no longer automatically receive a free meal. From Year 3 children are able to choose packed lunch or hot dinner, but if you wish to change then we ask that you give 1 week notice to let the cook know.

### **Summer Fair**

The summer fair will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> July, Mrs McNally and the PFA are welcoming donations of bric - a brac, cakes, prizes etc which will be gratefully received by the PFA.

The fair will be held on the infant playground (weather permitting) and junior children will taken there and should be picked up by their parents from there. Infants should be picked up from their classrooms as usual.

If you wish your child to have their face painted please sign the permission slip below and bring into the school office for Mrs McNally and £1 donation. The closing date for face painting requests is 6<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Staffing Changes**

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Ford, Mrs Young and Mrs Gee at the end of the summer term. As you already know Mrs Ford has made the difficult and very sad decision to retire, Mrs Young is taking up a new post and Mrs Gee will leaving with the Year 6 class she has supported. We will be welcoming back Miss Dalton to Year 4 and Mrs Cullen who will be our new part time SEN teacher working across the school.

The teachers and teaching assistants for next year are as follows:

Nursery: Mrs Gall and Mrs Jones (Mrs McAdams 1:1 support)

Reception: Mrs Carr and Mrs Ponting

Year 1: Miss Greenwood, Mrs Chiu and Miss Lavelle

Year 2: Miss Dalton, Mrs Jones (Mrs Harwood 1:1 support)

Year 3 Miss Carter and Mrs Ready

Year 4: Mrs Clarke and Mrs Cunningham

Year 5: Mrs Jones and Mrs Booker

Year 6: Miss Lovett and Mrs Lees.

### **Mrs Ford's Retirement**

Mrs Ford has worked at St. Oswald's for 22 years and has supported many families and children, as you know she will be retiring this July and will be a great loss to us all. Some parents have asked if we are doing a collection for Mrs Ford. If you wish to make a donation then we will of course welcome donations and get a gift she can remember all the children she has worked with for her. Please put in a sealed envelope and hand into the school office by 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018, entitled "Mrs Ford's retirement". Thank you.

### **Dates and Events for the Rest of the Year**

Please visit the school website for details <http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com/events>

**June 2018**

28<sup>th</sup> June Tri-Golf competition for selected KS2 children

29<sup>th</sup> June - Sporties Week 3

**July 2018**

2<sup>nd</sup> July - Assessment Week and last week of after school clubs

3<sup>rd</sup> July- Football presentation evening at Bootle Town Hall

4<sup>th</sup> July Spanish Spelling Bee at Litherland High School

5<sup>th</sup> July 3.30pm Choir, Drumming group and Singing Stars performance for parents

6<sup>th</sup> July - Transition morning for all classes. Sporties Week 4

9<sup>th</sup> July - PFA Mufti - Day & Year 1 to visit Blackpool zoo

11<sup>th</sup> July - Times tables challenge at Litherland High School PM- PFA Summer Fair

12<sup>th</sup> July - 2.30pm End of term dance performance for parents

13<sup>th</sup> July - Reports go home

16<sup>th</sup> July - Stay n' Play for Reception and Nursery Parents/Carers

18<sup>th</sup> July - Meet the teacher

19<sup>th</sup> July - Public Speaking & Attendance Awards

23<sup>rd</sup> July - Special assembly for Mrs Ford. 4.00pm - Year 6 Leaver's Barbecue

24<sup>th</sup> July - Golden Apples treat. Mentor Lunch. 6.30pm - Leaver's Service - Year 6 & their families

25<sup>th</sup> July - 9.45am - End of term Service at church - all welcome. 2.00pm - Early finish for the summer holidays.

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh

Headteacher

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I will be attending the Tea Party at the Feelgood Factory on 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class 1

Parent / carer name \_\_\_\_\_

Names of siblings attending \_\_\_\_\_  
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Face Painting Reply Slip for the Summer Fair to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> July - Please reply by 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

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I enclose £1 per child for face painting. Total amount enclosed. \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_