

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 27th September 2017

Attendance

Congratulations to the winners for last week who were Reception class with 99.7% attendance. R - 99.7%, Y3 - 97.6%, Y6 - 96.3%, Y5 - 95.7%, Y4 - 95.2%, Y1 - 93.4%, Y2 - 91.5%. N - AM - 91%, N - PM - 88.5%.

Harvest Festival Sunday 1st October

This year harvest festival will take place in school at 10.00am, all families are welcome. We ask as many children and families come to join us as much as possible. As a church school this is the only service each year we ask pupils to attend on a Sunday, children attending should come in school uniform.

If your child will not be attending the service, please let your child's teacher know in advance as the children will be given parts to perform throughout the service.

We will be collecting non - perishable items such as tins and packets before the service or your child can bring them along on the day. The Harvest gifts will be shared between our elderly neighbours and the local food bank. If anyone does have any elderly friends or relatives who are local to us that would like a Harvest parcel please fill in the slip below. Thank you for your support.

School Admission Information

Reception Class

Last week a letter was sent to parents for our current Nursery children who were born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 on how to apply for a Reception class place for their child in Sefton. Applications must be submitted by 15th January 2018. For more information please visit www.sefton.gov.uk/admissions
Please note that if you are applying for a place for your child at our school, then we also require a supplementary information form to be completed.

Punctuality Matters

If your child is late at the beginning of the day, they miss out on registration and the start of the daily maths lesson. We want all our children to achieve well at St Oswald's and being on time each day is crucial.

As requested, KS2 teachers will be available for you to speak to each morning at 08.45AM on the playground. The whistle will be blown at 08.50AM and the children will go to their classrooms at 08.55AM. KS1 classroom doors are opened at 08.45AM and close promptly at 09.00AM.

Year 3/4 Parent Meeting

Year 3 and 4 have now began Accelerated Reader everyday in class. We will be running a parent session after half term on Thursday 2nd November at 3.30pm to explain the process and also model how to log in as a parent to check your child's progress. More information will follow in a letter.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoe Box Appeal

Once again this year, we are collecting shoeboxes for the charity Blythswood Care. Leaflets are being sent home today with all children and shoes boxes will be distributed to children in Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Pakistan, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine before Christmas. Children and families at St Oswald's have always donated generously to this appeal. Leaflets will be coming home today and the last return date for a Shoe Box if you wish to participate is 01/11/2017.

Considerate Parking

There have been a lot of parents parking on the pavements near school recently, in particular along Browns Lane. Please do not park on the pavement, or block our neighbours driveways as the children and lollipop man cannot get past. We would welcome your help with this.

Contact Sheets

Contact sheets and other paperwork was sent home with your child on 6th September. There are still some children who have not yet returned the forms. . It is vital that we have up to date contact information for all pupils. Please return these forms as soon as possible.

Forthcoming Dates

September 2017

28th September- National Poetry Day

October 2017

1st October - (Sunday) - 10.00am Harvest Festival (at school) all families welcome

4th October- No Pens Wednesday

16th October- Assessment Week

19th October - Diwali

20th October - Year 5 Pearl of Africa Performance

Schools birthday tomorrow (21st October) - 58 Years old

23rd - 27th October- Half term

30th October- Back to school

For further dates for the rest of the year please see the school website.

Yours sincerely



Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher

Harvest Parcel Nomination

I would like to nominate _____ to receive a parcel.

Name of person

Address: _____

Your name: _____

Name of child _____ Class _____

Please send all nomination to school before 01.10.17. Thank you