

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 31st October 2018

Attendance

Congratulations once again go to our Year 3 children who had the highest attendance last week with 99.7%. Cuddles the bear will again be staying upstairs with them this week and the class will be able to spend the class voucher of £5.00. Y3 - 99.7%, Y6 - 99.9%, Y5 - 98%, Y2 - 97%, R - 96.3%, Y1 - 94.5%, Y4 - 92%, N - AM - 85.6%, N - PM - 80%.

School Baptism

We would like to host a school Baptism service for parents and children who wish to be Baptised. Rev'd Elliot is very happy to hold a service for those families who are interested. If this is something you would like to discuss further with him please fill in the reply slip below with your details and contact number. He will contact you directly to talk to you about what is involved. Please note that the service will take place during the school day so parents and Godparents will need to be available.

St. Oswald's fund raising hero!

Mr Everett, a parent of one of our Year 6 children, has been working tirelessly to gain extra funds for school. He has already managed to secure a fantastic donation of £500 from Jaguar Land Rover that will help to create and maintain a sensory garden. It will be filled with plants to encourage wildlife and leaves of different shapes, colours and scents. This will enable all the children in school to study the plants using all their senses and to monitor the wildlife we attract.

He also completed a charity bike ride from Old Trafford to Blackpool and then backhome to Liverpool - 104 miles!! He raised a fantastic total of £705.23 altogether! Amazing achievement!

Children's University October Half Term Challenge

Did your child take part in the Sefton Children's University October half term challenge? If so, please remember to email [.mailto:laura.Ashcroft@elevate-ebp.co.uk](mailto:laura.Ashcroft@elevate-ebp.co.uk) with details.

Poppies

Poppies are now on sale in school. This year along with poppies, there is poppy merchandise available, which is on display in the school foyer.

WOW! Walk to School

Recently we had a visitor who introduced the WOW walk to school programme. This aims to encourage children to walk to school as often as they can. We learned about the many benefits of walking to school including:

- improving our fitness levels
- protecting the environment



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- providing an opportunity for conversation
- reducing costs
- providing opportunities to practise road safety skills.

As part of the WOW programme the children will be working towards a monthly WOW badge which they will achieve if they walk, cycle or scoot to school at least three times per week. They will electronically record how they have travelled to school each day and the results will be collated over a month.

The children are very excited about collecting each badge so please encourage and support your child to walk to school. If it isn't possible to walk all the way please encourage them to:

Park and stride: park away from school and allow them to walk part of the journey.

Get off the bus 1 stop early and walk the rest of the way.

Walk with a friend's family.

Can you collect all 12 badges?



GB Athlete visit: 6th November

We are very much looking forward to our visit from a British athlete on November 6th 2018. We can now reveal that the mystery athlete has been named as

Paralympic blind footballer - Roy Turnham.

The day will begin with an inspiring assembly led by Roy. He will share his sporting journey with the children, allowing them to understand the hard work and dedication he has needed in order to achieve success. Afterwards, each year group will complete a challenging fitness circuit with Roy and have the opportunity for a meet & greet. During this time, they will also learn about healthy living and the importance of developing a growth mind-set.

These activities will be sponsored. Your child brought home a sponsorship form on October 16th so please encourage them to ask friends or relatives to sponsor them.

The money raised will go back into the athlete support programme which provides over 300 GB athletes with funding, as well as access to a number of services that help them on their journey to GOLD. If we raise more than £250 as a school however we will receive funds back to purchase new PE equipment.

Sponsor forms and any money raised should be returned to school on Wednesday 7th November. Thank you

Diwali Celebration Lunch

On 7th November we will be having a special menu for the day to celebrate Diwali. The menu will be as follows:

Cooks Special Chicken Curry, Vegetable Balti, Tricolour rice, mini onion bhaji or samosa followed by ice cream.

If your child is in KS2, an envelope was sent home for them to join in. Please return this envelope to school asap.

Meet the Teacher 14th November

Appointments for our first Meet the Teacher will be sent home today for the 14th November. If you cannot attend please do get in touch with your child's teacher as we will all do our best to see you. We all want the children to do the best that they can so look forward to working with you and seeing you there.

Dates and Events for the Rest of the Year

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

November 2018

5th November- Year 1 to Cathedral, Year 3 trip to Liverpool World Museum.

6th November - Olympic athlete visit - sponsored event.

7th November - Remembrance workshop for Year 5 at Liverpool Cathedral, Special lunch for Diwali.

8th November - 100% attendance trip.

9th November - Individual photos for all children. PM -Inspire Event at Liverpool parish church for Year

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12th November - Anti - Bullying week. 11.15am - Mini church for Nursery and Reception children and families at St. Oswald's Church. 2.30pm - School nurse drop in session.

14th November - 10.00am - Whole School Communion at 10.00am - all families welcome. 2.00PM onwards - Meet the teacher.

16th November - Children in Need Day. All to wear spots. 1st session of Bikeability for Y6

19th November - Enterprise week.

20th November - Universal Children's Day

23rd November- 2nd session of Bikeability for Y6

26th November - Final week of after school clubs. Book fair to start, everyday this week.

29th November - Advent workshop at the Cathedral for Year 3.

30th November - Final day for book fair.

December 2018

3rd December- Experience Christmas Y1 & Y2

4th December- Experience Christmas Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6

5th December - Choir Carol Singing at St Oswald's Court.

7th December - MUFTI day for PFA.

Unity Theatre - Years 2 to 6.

10th December- Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Performance

2.30pm - School Nurse drop in.

11th December- 1st Performance 1.30PM.

12th December- 2nd Performance 9.30AM PFA Christmas Fair 3.00PM

13th December- 10.00AM Carol Singing in Marion Square. 3rd Performance 1.30PM

14th December- Making Day, Christmas Dinner 2.15PM Stay n Play

17th December- Bitesize Theatre Company, Coverdale Puppets, Class Party PM

18th December- Christingles, Mentor Lunch & Santa Dash

20th December- 09.45AM Christingle Service & **Term Ends 2.00PM**

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh

Headteacher

I am interested in having my child or myself Baptised in a whole school service: and wish to discuss this further with Rev'd Elliot.

My contact details for him to contact me are as follows:

Name _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

Email _____ Telephone number _____