

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### Attendance

Congratulations to Class 3 again with 98% attendance for last week. They will receive their class voucher of £5.00. Y3 - 98%, Y4 - 96.7%, Y5 - 96.5%, Y1 - 95.5%, R - , 3.4%, Y6 - 92.8%, N - PM - 92.2%, N - AM - 90.5%, Y2 - 90% ,

### World Book Day

Thank you so much for all your efforts for World Book Day, the children looked fabulous. Well done to all those who entered the competition so far, any further entries need to be in by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

One lucky winner's design will be made into a **real-life National Book Tokens gift card**, to be distributed across bookshops nationwide in time for Christmas! And there are National Book Tokens galore to be won too - just imagine all those beautiful new books for your school's bookshelves...

To take part, your pupils simply have to make their mark on the template here and design a National Book Token with the theme of **Share a Story**. A panel of judges will select a winner and runner-up in each of three age categories: up to 8 years, 9-12 years and 13-16 years.

*FIRST PRIZE in each age range wins:*

- **£250 National Book Tokens for the school**
- **£100 National Book Tokens for the child**
- **£100 National Book Tokens for the teacher**

*SECOND PRIZE in each age range wins:*

- **£150 National Book Tokens for the school**
- **£50 National Book Tokens for the child**

**£50 National Book Tokens for the teacher**

### Book Tokens

All you need to do is to take your token to your local bookseller, there are lots of them out there and swap it for one of the TWELVE exclusive, new and completely FREE World Book Day books.

Or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead. And if you'd rather get an audiobook, that's fine too! It's your choice, just as long as the book or audiobook costs at least £2.99. Then all YOU have to do is take your book home and enjoy it. The World Book Day book tokens are valid until Sunday 31 March 2019.

### Easter Bonnets

As we do each year we will be holding an Easter Bonnet competition. This year it will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019. There will be a first and second prize for each class and

a participation prize for every child who enters. We do hope you enjoy making the bonnets with your children at home - please do not go to great expense buying a bonnet as the commercial bonnets rarely win the competition! Have fun making your bonnets!

### **Parent Questionnaire**

Attached to the newsletter is a copy of our Parent Survey. At St. Oswald's we are continually striving to move our school forward and we know that your opinions matter and would like to hear from you. Is there something that you feel is our strength? Is there something you feel the school needs to work on? All feedback will be listened to and valued. Please take the time to complete this form and return to school by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you.

### **Early Year's plea**

Spring is approaching and we are looking to enhance our outdoor area to provide children opportunities to develop their imagination and physical development.

We have a wish list and are hoping yourselves or a member of your family can help in any way. Items include:

Large tubes, guttering, pipes, electric cable wheels, tyres, sleepers (to create an outdoor sandpit), microwave (to go in the mud kitchen), unwanted plastic play kitchen, pots and pans, mobile phones/telephones, camera, keyboards, sheets or duvet covers (den building), steering wheels, cones. If you are able to help in anyway please let Mrs Carr or Mrs Gall know.

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

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

### **Dates and Events for this half term**

#### **March**

22<sup>nd</sup> March - Year 2 trip to Jodrell Bank

25<sup>th</sup> March - Assessment week & last week for after school clubs.

11.15 am - Mini Church for EYFS - all families welcome at church. Year 3/4 athletics tournament

27<sup>th</sup> March - Whole School Communion - all families welcome - 10.00am at church

28<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 to visit Cathedral for Icons workshop

#### **April**

2<sup>nd</sup> April - Meet the teacher 2PM

3<sup>rd</sup> April - Experience Easter for Years 5 & 6

4<sup>th</sup> April - Experience Easter for Years 1 - 4. 2.15pm - Stay n' Play in Nursery and Reception

5<sup>th</sup> April - End of term service at church at 9.45am - all welcome

Easter bonnet competition. 2.00pm - End of Term.

2 week Easter holiday, school re-opens on 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh  
Headteacher