

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 15th May 2019

Attendance

Congratulations for last week go to Class 6 with 99.1% attendance, they will receive their class voucher of £5.00. Y6 - 99.1%, Y3 - 98.3%, Y2 - 97.4%, Y1 - 97%, Y5 - 6.8%, Y4 - 94.8%, R - 94%, N - AM - 88.7%, N - PM - 80.5%.

SATS week

This week is a very important week for Year 6 - we will be wishing them well in their SATS tests and encouraging them to simply do their best; which I am sure they all will. Following the end of the tests, they are going on a trip to The Crocky Trail on Friday, please ensure that all children have a waterproof coat and a packed lunch for the day. Children who stay for hot dinners will be provided with a packed lunch. The last of the tests is tomorrow. Well done Year 6 you have worked incredibly hard!

Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all those parents who have returned their questionnaires - to show that we do listen to parents views we have attached the results and responses to comments made. Thank you for participating.

Parent Meetings

Thank you to all those parents who attended the parent meetings, all staff accommodated parents who could not the meeting and rearranged, however, despite several attempts some parents still did not meet their child's teacher. Below are the attendance figures for each class. Thank you again to those parents who support their child in school:

Nursery - 86%

Reception - 90%

Year 1 - 83%

Year 2 - 76%

Year 3 - 86%

Year 4 - 80%

Year 5 - 90%

Year 6 - 90%

Christian Aid Week

This week, classes have held a range of activities as part of Christian Aid week. This years theme is 'Hands across the World' and raising money to support children across the globe who are missing out on an education. **Big Brekkie - On Friday 17th May** all classes will be making and eating a Big Breakfast. We are asking for a £1 donation to support this. Also look out for the displays on the Key Stage one and two playground showing you how your donations can support these children. As you know we are a

Rights Respecting School and this supports Article 28: Children have the right to an education.

Uniform

If you would like to place your order for uniform for September, orders are being taken until this Friday, 17th May 2019. Please call into the school office for an order form. The order form is also available on the school website <http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com/page/parents-as-partners/30667> Please note that payment must be made at the time of placing the order.

Walk to School Week

As you may know, Walk to School Week is taking place next week **20th -24th May**. Hundreds of thousands of pupils around the UK will be taking on the challenge to walk to school every day for one week to kick air pollution to the kerb, breathe in cleaner air and move more. This year's theme 'leaf your car at home' aims to highlight how walking, scooting or cycling to school will help reduce harmful emissions, improve the health of pupils and reduce congestion - making the streets greener and healthier places to be.

We need your help as parents/carers to support Walk to School Week 2019 'leafing' your car at home.

What to expect:

After each school journey your child will colour in a leaf that represents their mode of travel to school.

Walking, scooting or cycling to school =Green Leaf

Bus, train, park and stride = Orange leaf

Car, van = red leaf

The class with the highest number of green leaves on their tree by the end of the week will be rewarded with a prize.

Walk to school week will run alongside our very successful, ongoing Wow initiative where the children can earn a badge each month if they walk, scoot or cycle at least 3 times per week. Children can also park and stride but please ensure your car is parked at least 500m or a 10 minute walk from school, parking outside the school gate doesn't count!

Please encourage your child to walk, cycle, scoot, car share, park and stride or travel by bus during these dates to do all we can to improve air quality, help the environment and to increase the health and fitness of your child.

Thank you for your support.

Breakfast Club

All payments for Breakfast Club should be made on the day. Any money that is sent into breakfast club needs to be in a named envelope. Envelopes are available to buy from the school office for 1p each.

Special Italian Meal

We are having an Italian themed meal at St Oswald's. Join us on our Italian Bistro day which is being held on 22nd May 2019.

The menu will consist of:

Cheese & tomato pasta dish, Helaine's home made garlic bread

Or home made pizza

with Mixed Salad

followed by Ice Cream.

If you would like your child to join in, envelopes are being sent home with children today for KS2 children. Please note that KS2 children can still have a packed lunch on this day if they wish.

Calling all Gardening volunteers!

We are ready to commence work on our KS1 playground gardens and would appreciate some help from some willing adult volunteers. We want to fill the raised beds with inspiring, sensory plants that will encourage talk and conversation amongst the children and help to enhance our outdoor space. This project will be funded by the money raised by one of our wonderful parents Mr Everett, who completed a mammoth charity cycle ride for us earlier this year.

Before planting can commence however the beds need preparing; weeding, digging over and composting. If you are able to assist with this on Tuesday 21st May at 3.30pm, please contact the school office to confirm. Thank you

Polling Station

School will be used as a Polling Station on 23rd May but will remain open to all pupils as normal - packed lunches will be provided for all children on school dinners.

Breakfast Club will be held in the family room; which is next to the Nursery on the KS2 playground. Please enter via the family room door. Breakfast club will return to normal on 24th May in the school hall.

Day 4 Change

Thursday 23rd May we will be having our annual event "Day 4 Change". This year we will be asking the children to donate a book to be sent to 'Books for Africa'. These can be children's books, young adult books, text books etc, in a good to excellent condition. This ties in with our Book Bus visit on Friday 24th May.

Book Bus

Our book bus is due to arrive Friday 24th May. It will be parked on the playground for the children to visit during the day. Before and after school, it will be open for parents/carers to browse and make purchases. School will receive 15% of total sales to use on books. We do hope that you will be able to visit the bus.

Nursery Class Places

We have places available for our Nursery class for September for 15 hours and also 30-hour provision. If you would like to apply for a place at our Nursery class, please do not hesitate to contact the school office for an application form. Forms can also be downloaded at <http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com/page/key-information/30511>

Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade - now open to children from Age 5 onwards

Every Wednesday evening starting at 6.00pm and now running until 8.00pm for £1.00 per session. The Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade (CLCGB), often referred to as "The Brigade", is The Anglican Churches own uniformed youth organisation: welcoming children and young people of all faiths and none. This organisation has a lot of history and for over 125 years, The Brigade has been fulfilling its object to extend the kingdom of Christ among lads and girls, there is also no upper age limit as lads and girls can move onto be leaders.

To join come along to St Oswald's Church on a Wednesday and join in the fun and see if you like it and then take it from there. You'll get a great welcome and will make new friends. Use the front door of the church. They are also looking for adult helpers.

Dates and Events for the Rest of the Year

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

May 2019

17th May - Big Brekkie for Christian Aid (£1 donation) and Year 6 trip to The Crocky Trail, Reception class Stay 'n' Play, Y5 Daily Mile event to be held at school

20th May- Walk to School Week. Mini Church 11.15AM at church - all families welcome

21st May 09.00AM Reception Class Assembly. Maths challenge for Y5 at Maricourt High School

22nd May- Communion 10.00AM - all families welcome

23rd May-Day 4 Change UNICEF, School to be used for Polling Station, breakfast club in the Family Room.

24th May The Book Bus to visit school. Special assembly for our Outright Project as part of our UNICEF work. Maths challenge for Y4 at Maricourt High School

27th May -31st May- Half term

June 2019

5th June- Back to school

6th June- Military school activity day

7th June - 1.00pm Children's University Graduation day for Y2 & Y6

10th June- Competitive Athletics. Y3 & Y4 healthy eating workshop Year 6 Moving on Service at Liverpool Cathedral, 2.30PM School Nurse Drop in session

11th June- Sports for All Day

12th June- Y5 & Y6 healthy eating workshop

14th June - Sporties Week 1

17th June- International Arts Week

Mini Church 11.15AM - all families welcome. Y3 & Y4 healthy eating workshop

18th June- Y1 class Assembly World Cup Day, Y5 & Y6 healthy eating workshop

19th June- Y5 Stained Glass event at Liverpool Cathedral and Whole School Communion 10.00AM - all families welcome. Wally Cain Dance festival Y4

20th June - KS1 children to Philharmonic Hall

21st June- Sporties - Week 2. Sponsored Walk. Special assembly to introduce Healthy Lunch week

24th June- Healthy lunch week & Y3 & Y4 healthy eating workshop and Year 6 Adventure trip

25th June- Y2 Class Assembly, Y5 & Y6 healthy eating workshop and Confirmation at St Helen's Church

26th June 3.00PM Open Evening & Sculpture Trail

27th June- Y6 transition day to high schools

28th June- Sporties - Week 3 and Mufti Day for PFA Summer Fair

July 2019

1st July- Y3 & Y4 healthy eating workshop

2nd July- Y3 Class Assembly Y5 & Y6 healthy eating workshop

3rd July- 3.00PM PFA Summer Fair

5th July - Sporties - Week 4, Transition Morning for all pupils

8th July - 2.30PM School Nurse Drop in session

9th July - Year 4 Class Assembly

10th July - Meet the Teacher from 2.00PM

11th July - 2.45PM Dance Show for parents of Y4, Y5 and Y6.

12th July - Y5 Spanish Spelling Bee Competition at Litherland High

15th July- Stay 'n' Play (big toddle)

16th July - Y5 Class Assembly

17th July - 2.45PM Dance Show for parents of Y1, Y2 and Y3.

18th July- 100% attendance trip

19th July- Golden Apple Treat, Last Year 3 swimming and Y6 Leaver's BBQ

22nd July- Y6 Dress Rehearsal & 6.30PM Y6 Leaver's Service

23rd July- End of term service 9.45AM. **End of term 2.00PM finish**

Yours sincerely,



Miss E. Murtagh
Headteacher