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## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 14-18 November 2022

This year's theme for Anti-Bullying Week is 'Reach Out '

This week the children have been taking part in activities to raise awareness of bullying and to help us think about how to respect and care for each other.

To support our Anti-Bullying work, the children have been wearing odd socks to school to remind us that we are all unique and special in our own individual way - *the same, but different*, just like odd socks!



This afternoon the whole school joined together to hold hands and make a friendship circle on the school field to demonstrate that we are all friends at St Oswald's.



The Anti-Bullying Alliance have worked with Kidscape to develop resources to help you support your child. These can be found here: <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>

## Maths Week England 14–18 November 2022



This week children in all classes have been taking part in lots of Maths activities for Maths Week England. This is a fantastic opportunity to provide our children with a positive image of mathematics, and to contribute in a small way to change the attitudes towards this vital and beautiful subject.

Each class has worked on various exciting outdoor math's challenges. Children used the natural environment to calculate numbers or drew number lines using chalk. Some of our KS2 children estimated and measured outside using mathematical equipment and Y5 combined Maths with PE and completed an orienteering route by answering mathematical questions. Each marker had a code which led them to a Maths challenge - the harder the challenge, the more points they were awarded. Kriti said finding the markers was easy but some of the challenges were really hard! Everyone enjoyed it and asked Mrs Foy if they could do it again!



### Primary Maths Challenge

Also this week, 10 children from KS2 have taken part in the Primary Maths Challenge.

Created by The Mathematical Association, the Primary Mathematics Challenge (PMC) is a fun and exciting mathematical challenge which is designed to **encourage enthusiasm, boost confidence** in mathematics and show the different way questions can be asked. It demonstrates the importance of **problem solving** as a means of helping pupils develop their **reasoning skills**.

**This tricky challenge was taken on by :**

**Year 5 : Joseph Boardman, Maya Celik, Colette Chung, Yumi Lennon, Elliott Webb**

**Year 6: Chloe Cripps, Leo Jones, Vania Li, Ivan Tsang**

The children worked really hard and received their 'Took the Primary Maths Challenge' certificates.



## Diary Dates



### Saturday 19 November

Schools' Cross Country League, Walton Gardens

### Monday 21 November

World Cup 2022 Celebration Day

### Wednesday 23 November

Presto Music Assembly—Whole School

### Thursday 24 November

Year 4 Rejoice Assembly 9am - parents, family and friends welcome

(No Celebration Assembly)

Flu Immunisation Catch-Up Session

### Thursday 1 December

Year 6 Puberty Talk

### Wednesday 7 December

Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit

*Christmas activity dates are attached at the end of the newsletter .*



## Road Safety Week 14-18 November 2022

This week we have been learning all about road safety for Road Safety Week.

On Thursday, the Reception Class went out onto Padgate Lane to learn how to cross the road safely using the pedestrian crossing. They walked sensibly down Padgate Lane to the post box and posted a special invitation to Miss Lennon!

Today, PCSO Georgina visited school in her patrol car. The children in Reception all had a turn sitting in the front and back seats of the car and pressed the buttons for the lights and different sirens! They then made finger print cards and all got a sticker. Thank you to PCSO Georgina for visiting us again - the children had a great time.



### Safety Ambassadors

Our two newly appointed Safety Ambassadors, **Ronnie Hillen and Myles Gallagher (Year 5)** have also met with PCSO Georgina today and shared details for a 'Road Safety Poster' competition they are organising in school. Ronnie and Myles hope to meet with the PCSO next time she is in school, when the winning poster will be up on the walls. Ronnie and Myles will be sharing safety information and activities with children in all classes throughout the academic year.

## Flu Immunisations Catch-Up Session

The school Nurses will be in school again next Thursday 24 November to deliver flu vaccinations to children who missed it on the first visit earlier this month.

If you have previously consented to your child receiving the vaccination but they missed it due to absence or illness, you do not need to give consent again. If you have **not already** completed an online consent form and would like your child to be vaccinated, please follow the instructions on the [letter](#) which has been posted on our school website and can be accessed easily via the school app 'Recent Letters' button.

Please note the online consent form **closes at 11am on Tuesday 22 November.**



## Children's Snacks

**Can we remind parents that children are not allowed to have sweets, chocolate, cake, biscuits or sugary snacks in school.**



**Please send you child into school with a healthy snack.**

## World Cup Celebration Day Monday 21 November 2022

To celebrate the start of the FIFA World Cup 2022 on Sunday 20 November and England's first game v Iran, we will be having a celebration day on Monday 21 November.

Children can come to school wearing red and/or white and there will be World Cup related activities throughout the afternoon for all children.



## Phonics Meeting for Reception Class Parents

Thank you to the parents and carers of children in Reception who attended a Phonics meeting in school on Tuesday 15 November with Miss Morris and Mrs Orwin.

We hope parents found the information provided useful for supporting your child at home.

## School Meals 21-25 November 2022



**Monday 21 November**  
Pizza(v)

**Tuesday 22 November**  
Sausage & Mash  
Quorn Sausage & Mash(v)

**Wednesday 23 November**  
Beef Burger in a Bun  
Quorn Burger in a Bun (v)

**Thursday 24 November**  
Fish Fingers or Chicken & Chips  
Quorn Nuggets & Chips (v)

**Friday 25 November**  
Pasta(v)

**Sandwich and jacket potato options are also available daily.**

## STARS OF THE WEEK



- ★ Rec Harry Sherwood
- ★ Y1 Jack McWilliams
- ★ Y2 Cameron Buchanan
- ★ Y3 Terry Tsang
- ★ Y4 Zoe Leung & Lenny Eyres
- ★ Y5 Finley Cottam & Bobby Redmond
- ★ Y6 Jack Hughes & Lilia Dohoney
- ★ Music Kevin Hargreaves (Y6)
- ★ MFL James McWilliams (Y3)

*Well done to all our stars.*

*The next Celebration Assembly will be on  
Thursday 1 December.*

*Next Thursday 24 November, Year 4 will  
perform their class Rejoice Assembly at  
9am.*

*Please join us in the school hall if you are free,  
we would love to see you there.*

### Operation Christmas Child

Thank you so much to all families who donated shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. We received 51 shoe boxes filled with beautiful gifts which will be sent on to children in Ukraine and the surrounding countries who are hosting Ukrainian refugee families.

Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated and will help to make Christmas happy for these children.



School Council counted up the boxes with Mrs Orwin before they were loaded up in the van.

### Live Simply Award

St Oswald's School is aiming to achieve the Live Simply Award which is about 'Living Simply, Living Sustainably and Living in Solidarity' in a local, global and school level.

There are lots of things we can do at home to help us to live more simply:

#### Saving Water

Some simple tips to save water are:

Turn off the taps when you brush your teeth

Have shorter showers - set a timer!

Only use the washing machine or dishwasher with full loads



*Our young environmentalists are always busy in school making sure we are saving, not wasting.*

### Cross Country

#### Saturday 19 November

Good luck to our Cross Country runners who will be representing St Oswald's tomorrow morning in the Neville Jones Schools Cross Country League race at Walton Gardens.

Our runners are:

**Joseph Boardman, Matthew O'Garra, Ethan Dawson, Lilia Dohoney, Amelia Hill, Harrison Molphy, Poppy Sydney & Ivan Tsang**

Thank you to Miss Lennon for supporting the children at the event.

Good luck!

### After School Clubs

Next week will be the last week for after-school clubs this term. Please note, **Recorder Club will be on Wednesday and there will be no DT Club next week** due to staff training (please contact the school office if you require a refund). Clubs will re-start in January.  
All clubs from 3.30pm to 4.15pm

#### Key Stage 1

**Monday: KS1 Club (Y1 & Y2)**  
Different activity each week including Arts & Crafts, Computing and games.  
*Miss Morris & Mrs Furness*

**Tuesday: Active Club (Y1 & Y2)**  
*Matty (Progressive Sports)*

#### Key Stage 2

**Monday: Sketching Club (Y3-Y6)**  
*Mrs Crook & Mrs Gambles*

**Wednesday: Run Club (Y3-Y6)**  
*Ms Lennon & Mrs Thomason*

**Choir (Y3-Y6)**  
*Mrs Neiland & Mrs Armitage*

**Recorder Club (Y3-Y6)**  
*Mrs Roberts*

**Friday: Gardening/Environment Club (Y3-Y6)**  
*Ms Lennon & Mrs Thomason*



# Christmas Dates for the Diary

We want the festive period in school to be a special and magical time for the children.

Below are the dates for our programme of Christmas activities.



**Thursday 8 December**

Christmas Jumper Day - £1 for Save the Children



**Friday 9 December**

Y5 African Drumming Performance for Parents (TBC)

**Wednesday 14 December**

Reception Class Christmas Production 9.15am in the School Hall  
Y1 & Y2 Christmas Production 2.30pm in Church



**Thursday 15 December**

Y3 & Y4 Christmas Production 2.30pm in Church  
Y5 & Y6 Christmas Production 6.00pm in Church

**Friday 16 December**

Christmas Lunch



**Monday 19 December**

Santa Dash (Santa Hats, Antlers etc)



**Tuesday 20 December**

Christmas Service 9.15am in Church  
Christmas Activity Afternoon  
School Closes for Christmas Holidays

