



### At St Oswald's, together we love, learn, respect and appreciate

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#### Year 4 First Communion

Y4 children will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion in church this Saturday 22 April 2023 during two special Masses at 12.00 noon and 2.00pm.

Please keep the children in your prayers as they take this important next step in their journey of faith.



#### Y6 Condover Residential 2023

On Thursday 6 April our Y6 children returned from their 4 day residential visit to Condover Hall in Shropshire. The children enjoyed an action packed visit engaging in a range of physical adventure activities inside and outside including a 'leap of faith' trapeze, aerial trek, swimming a camp fire and a silent disco.

The children showed great support to one another during their activities and Condover staff praised them on their excellent manners and behaviour.

A special thanks to Mrs Thomason, Mrs Truran, Mrs Brady and Mrs Orwin who took time out from their own families to take care of the children on this trip.



More photographs are available [here](#).

#### St Oswald's Mission Statement

This week, working together as a whole school, we have reviewed our mission statement and the objectives we work towards each day in our school. The children came up with some lovely suggestions on how they can and do live by our mission in school.

***"Together at St Oswald's we love, learn, respect and appreciate"***

#### Love

Jesus is at the heart of everything we do

#### Learn

We always try to be the best we can be

#### Respect and Appreciate

We respect and appreciate ourselves, each other, our school and the world around us.



### Super Swimmer Nia!

Well done to Nia Kerrisk-Gaughran in Y5 who took part in a charity fundraiser in March 2023.

Nia swims with Warrington Warriors 4 times a week and wanted to put all her hard training into supporting a good cause. She swam 7k in March and raised over £200 for Great Ormond street Hospital.

*Well done Nia, we're all so proud of you!*



### Teachers' Strike Action

Parents may be aware that there are two further proposed strike action days for Teachers on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2 May.

As with previous strike days, our position is that 5 of our 7 class Teachers and 3 other Teachers in school, belong to the union that intends to take industrial action. Therefore 5 classes will be closed to children on the strike action days on Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2 May.

Classes affected are Reception, Y1, Y3, Y5 and Y6. Children in these classes will not be able to attend school on this day, however children in Y2 and Y4 can attend as normal as the union for these class Teachers is currently not taking strike action.

If your child is in one of the five affected classes and is in receipt of benefits-related Free School Meals, you can request a packed lunch [here](#) for the two strike days.

### King's Coronation Disco

The 'Friends of St Oswald's' are organising a 'King's Coronation' themed disco for the children on Friday 5th May in St Oswald's Social Club. There will be two separate parties:

Infants 4.15-5.15pm

Juniors 5.45-6.45pm

Tickets will cost £3.50 per child including entertainment and snacks/treats.

Letters were sent home with the children this week. It would be very much appreciated if reply slips could be returned as soon as possible so that the organisers can have an indication of numbers attending.



This is sure to be a fun event for the children to enjoy and we hope many of them will come along.

### Summer Uniform

As we are now in the summer term and the weather is starting to be brighter and warmer, children can come to school in summer uniform if they wish:

- blue and white check summer dresses or grey shorts and a white polo shirt with school logo
- royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt with school logo
- black/grey/white socks
- black trainers
- royal blue or pale blue sun cap

We are currently waiting for a delivery of sun caps and will notify parents when these are available to purchase from the school office.

### Morning Toast Snack for KS1

After a successful trial period of morning toast for KS2 children last half term, this offer is now being rolled out to children in Y2 from next **Monday 24 April**.

Toast is available at £2.50 per week, **payable in advance** on ParentPay (pay as if paying for school meals).

The snack includes toast and a drink of fresh orange/apple juice or milk.

If any parents have difficulty logging in to ParentPay, please contact the school office.

*Please note, toast is an optional extra service provided by the school kitchen and is not part of the school meals service.*

Children are still welcome to bring their own healthy snack to school if preferred.



### King's Coronation

To celebrate the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III on Saturday 6th May 2023, we will be holding our own celebration in school during the afternoon on Friday 5 May.

Children will have their lunch as normal - the school kitchen will be providing a coronation themed lunch for those who have a school meal - and in the afternoon we plan to sit down outside together to enjoy cakes, treats and juice and have an afternoon of music and fun on the infant playground and field to celebrate this historic occasion.



### The Government's New Emergency Alerts System

The government's new [emergency alerts system](#) is now live and will enable people to be contacted via their mobile phone when lives are in danger.

An emergency alert is a [loud, siren-like sound](#) (even if the phone is on silent) with a message on your mobile phone or tablet screen giving instructions to follow to keep yourself and others safe.

**The system will be tested nationally on Sunday 23 April 2023 at 3pm.**

For the [test alert](#), you will receive a message on the home screen of your mobile phone, along with a sound and vibration for up to ten seconds. You do not need to take any action for the test - the sound and vibration will stop automatically after ten seconds.

More information about emergency test alerts can be found at [gov.uk/alerts](https://gov.uk/alerts)

## STARS OF THE WEEK

- ★ Rec Zach Hill & Henry James
- ★ Y1 Matilda Cousins
- ★ Y2 Isla Ingham & Krystal Sin
- ★ Y3 Jessica Armstrong & Evie Dewis
- ★ Y4 Jacob Harrison-Dykes and Louis Bailey
- ★ Y5 Ted Buchanan
- ★ Y6 Kacie-May Leather & Olivia Embury



*Well done to all our stars!*

*The next Celebration Assembly will be  
Thursday 4 May 2023*

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

## Whole school Attendance

17 - 21 April 2023

Class	Attendance Percentage
Rec	87.1%
Y1	96.7%
Y2	98.4% - Excellent
Y3	98.2% - Excellent
Y4	99.6% - Excellent
Y5	96%
Y6	97.7%

98%+ Excellent

96 - 97% Good

95% Satisfactory

91-94% Unsatisfactory

<90% Poor

Whole School attendance this week is **96.5%**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 4 FOR THE  
BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK.**

## Diary Dates

Saturday 22 April

First Communion Masses in church  
12.00pm & 2.00pm

Thursday 27 April

Teachers' Strike Day (Rec, Y1, Y3, Y5 & Y6 closed)

Monday 1 May

May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 2 May

Teachers' Strike Day (Rec, Y1, Y3, Y5 & Y6 closed)

Friday 5 May

King's Coronation Celebrations in school

Disco, St Oswald's Club (4.15pm Infants/5.45pm Juniors)

Monday 8 May

Extra Bank Holiday for King's Coronation (school closed)

Tuesday 9 - Friday 12 May

Y6 SATs Week

Tuesday 16 May

Reception trip to Croxteth Park Farm

Wednesday 17 May

Culcheth Primary School Cross Country

Tuesday 23 May

Y5 Sleepover at Catalyst Museum

Wednesday 24 May

Woolston CE Cross Country

Thursday 25 May

Reception Class Rejoice Assembly

Friday 26 May

School closes for Whit holiday 3.15pm/3.25pm

Monday 12 June

School opens for summer 2

## Earth Day 2023

This Saturday 23 April is Earth Day 2023. Earth Day is a celebration of the earth and our environment that takes place every year and it reminds us to respect and protect our planet.

You might want to talk to your child about simple ways to protect the earth and our environment.



## School Meals 24 - 28 April 2023

Monday 24 April

Pizza (v)

Tomato Pasta (v)

Tuesday 25 April

Fishcakes

Sausage Rolls (v)

Wednesday 26 April

Sausage & Mash

Cheese Flan (v)

Thursday 27 April

Chicken Curry and Assorted Panini

Friday 28 April

Fish or chicken Goujons & Chips

Quorn Nuggets & Chips (v)



Sandwich and jacket potato options are also available daily.

*(All options are subject to change if needed).*

## After-School Clubs

**Due to SATs and Bank Holidays, there will be no after-school clubs this half term.**

**We will look to these returning in the final half term.**