



Together at St Oswald's, we Love, Learn, Respect and Appreciate

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Sunday's Gospel

Jesus' appearance changed, while he was on a mountain with three of his friends, his face and clothes shone like the sun. This also changed the lives of his friends as they realised that Jesus was the Son of God.



God of light and power, you sent your Son Jesus to show us how to live our lives. Help us to recognise him in all people we meet and to take action to change the world for the better. Amen.
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World Book Day

Yesterday, Thursday 5 March, we celebrated World Book Day, with children dressed as a variety of book characters or in cosy clothes, ready to snuggle down with a good book. The children paraded round the school hall for parents during our World Book Day Assembly.

All children received their £1 book voucher from the Government to spend on a special book.

Thank you to all the parents and carers for taking the time to make sure the children embraced this event and were part of our school celebration. The children looked fantastic and had a wonderful day full of books and reading.



Parent/Carer & Teacher Consultation Meetings

Reminder Parent/Carer and Teacher consultation meetings will take on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th March.

Meetings will take place either face to face or on School Cloud—online.

Appointment times will be sent out via email for you to click on the link and book your preferred appointment time.

Books will go home today for you to share with your child. Please can you make sure that books are returned to school again on the Monday morning.

If you are unable to attend the parent or have difficulty booking an appointment, please contact the school office.



Crème Egg Donations

From Monday 9 March we will be collecting crème eggs to give out to the children on the last day in school before Easter.

A basket will be placed outside the office and we are inviting all parents/carers and visitors to the school to donate a crème egg for the children.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Y4 First Communion Preparation

Last Saturday, the children in our Year 4 class, who are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, were presented at Mass, by their families. They learned about when they were baptised and their entries in the special parish book of Baptisms. The children did a great job reading, singing and doing the offertory.



Thank you to Fr Dave and Deacon Tony for celebrating the Mass, it was lovely.

Reminder

The children had their first session for Holy Communion preparation yesterday Thursday 5 March at 2.45pm, reminder the 2nd session is next **Thursday 12 March at 2.45pm**, in church.

Children can be collected from Church at 3.30pm, any children who have after school clubs will be brought back to school and can be picked up as usual at the end of the club.

Parent Pay Balances

As the end of the school financial year approaches, please can we remind Parent/Carers that it is imperative that Parent Pay school meals and snack balances going forward are kept in CREDIT please.

Any outstanding debt will be charged to school if not paid by 31 March and these monies will come straight from our already over stretched budget.

Primary Arts Exhibition

St Oswald's are once again this year taking part in the Warrington Primary Arts Network Exhibition. The exhibition will open on 21 March at the **Golden Square Shopping Centre**. The children in all classes will produce some beautiful art work to be displayed..

Thank you to our Art co-ordinators Mrs Gambles and Mrs Thomason who are leading this project.

Please visit the free exhibition if you are in Warrington, the **St Oswald's exhibition is displayed alongside work from other Warrington primary schools.**

Can you help us?

As the children will be working on creating their art work, we would be grateful if parents/carers or family members could donate **any items** such as:

Fabric, wool, hessian, raffia, sandpaper, bubble wrap, general packaging, cardboard, brown paper, nuts & bolts (various sizes), newspapers, wooden pegs, natural twine, cling film and tin foil.

There will be a box placed in the office reception area for donations. Thank you in advance for your support.



THE BIG LENT WALK Big Lent Walk 2026



Once again this year we will be taking part in CAFOD'S 'Big Lent Walk'. The Big Lent Walk is a challenge where participants walk during Lent and get sponsored to raise money to help people fighting extreme poverty globally. Money raised can and will change lives. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help fight poverty globally in countries like Afghanistan, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan.

The children in all classes will be taking part in the Big Lent Walk on **Wednesday 18th March**, on our Daily Mile track. The children can wear something **Purple for Lent** (hair ribbon, t-shirt etc) if they want to.

If parents/carers would like to make a £1 donation to **support their child's participation in this year's Big Lent Walk**, this can be made via our Just Giving page or the money can be brought into school.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/fundraising/st-oswalds-fundraising-page>

Thank you for supporting the children's charity work in school.

Year 2 Class Assembly



On **Thursday 12 March** will be our Year 2 Class Assembly entitled '**Desert to Garden**' where they will be taking us on a journey with Jesus through the events of Holy week.

Please join us at 9am—everyone welcome.

Live Simply Mass & Presentation

Please join us for Mass with Bishop Tom Neylon, next Friday, 13th March, 9.30am, to celebrate St.



Oswald's achieving the CAFOD Live Simply award.

We are very proud of our achievements over the last 3 years and we continue our journey.

We hope you can join us—all are welcome.

For ONE day only—Break the Rules!!!



On **Friday 27th March**, the children of St. Oswald's school will be given permission to break the rules for **ONE day only**.



They can break 1 or more, or even all 10 rules for a cost of £1 each. (Maximum of 10)

Please look out for more information next week!



St Oswald's Stars

Reception	Aine
Y1	Marley
Y2	Elsie
Y3	Henry
Y4	Benjy
Y5	Alex
Y6	Bethany
MFL	Bethany (Y6)
Music	Liam (Y3)

Well done to all our stars!

Join us for our next Celebration Assembly on
Friday 20th March.

Whole School Attendance

2–6 March 2026

Class	Attendance Percentage
Rec	100% - Excellent
Y1	94%
Y2	98.8% - Excellent
Y3	99% - Excellent
Y4	97.5%
Y5	100% - Excellent
Y6	99.6% - Excellent



98%+ Excellent
96 - 97% Good
95% Satisfactory
91-94% Unsatisfactory
<90% Poor

Whole School attendance this week was 98.4%
**CONGRATULATIONS TO RECEPTION & YEAR 5 WITH THE
BEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK—100%!!**

Diary Dates

Monday 9 & Tuesday 10 March
Parent Consultation Meetings

NO AFTER NO CLUBS NEXT WEEK

Thursday 12th March

Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am

Holy Communion Session 2 for children, 2.45pm in church

Friday 13th March

Bishop Tom Neylon will say Mass with our school and present our Live
Simply award to the school at 9.30am.

All are welcome.

NO Celebration Assembly

Sunday 15 March

Mother's Day

Wednesday 18 March

Big Lent Walk
Wear something purple



Tuesday 17 March

St Patrick's Day



Thursday 19 March
St. Joseph's Feast Day

Saturday 21 March

Year 4 Holy Communion Preparation Mass

Saturday 21–Sunday 22 March

Primary Arts Network Exhibition

Friday 27 March

Break the Rules Day!! - more details to follow next week

School Lunch Menu 9 –13 March 2026

Monday 9 March

Cheesy Pasta (v)

Vegetarian Sausage Roll

Tuesday 10 March

Sausage & Mash (v)

Wednesday 11 March

Beef Burger in a Bun (v)

With herby diced potato

Thursday 12 March

BBQ Chicken served with baked potato wedges (v)

Friday 13 March

Crumbed coated chicken served with chunky chipped
potatoes, peas or baked beans

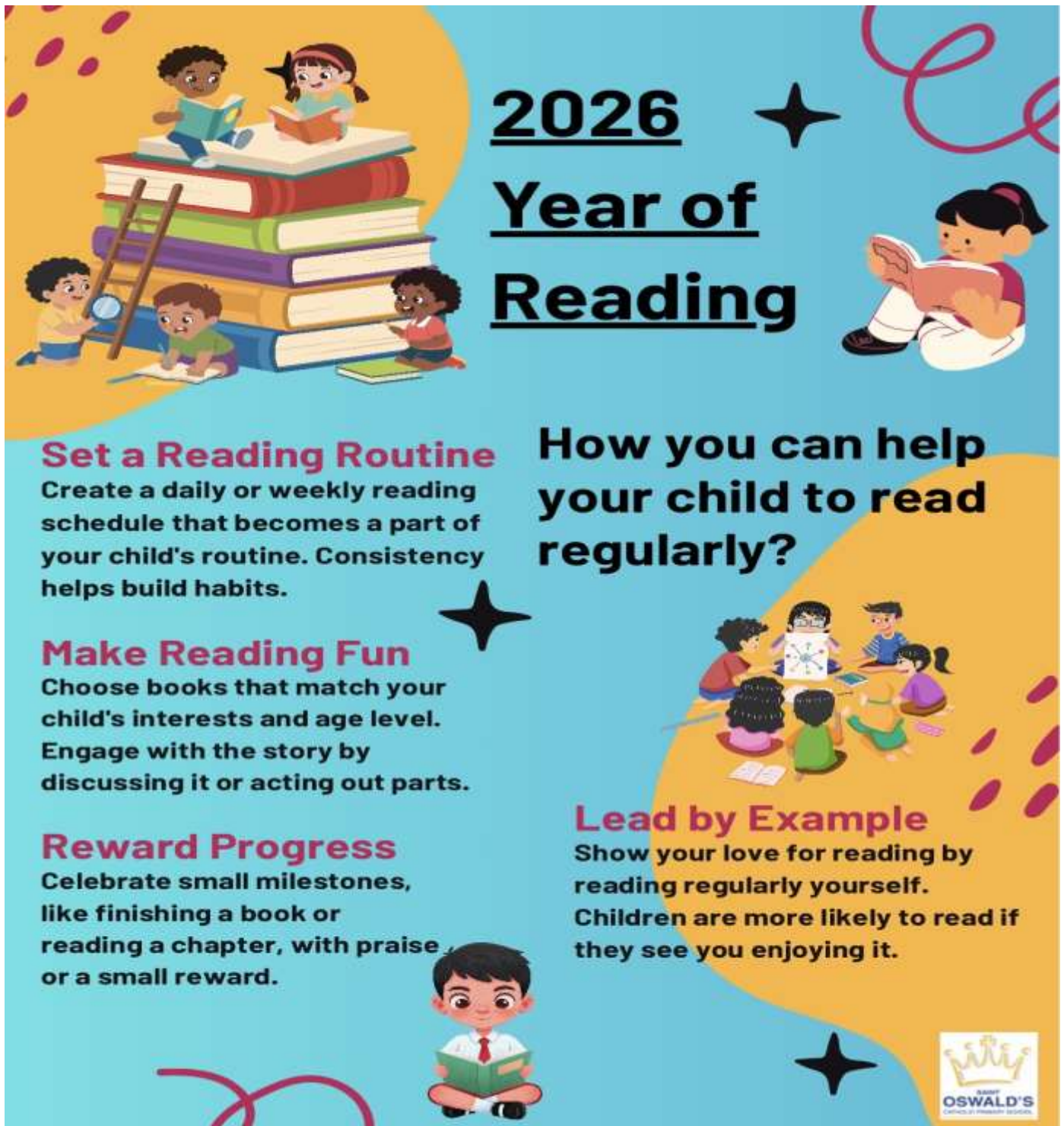
Oven baked fish fingers

Quorn Nuggets (v)

Jacket potato option also available daily.
(All options are subject to change if needed).

Please note: School meals now cost £3.20 per day (WBC)





2026 ✨ Year of Reading




Set a Reading Routine
Create a daily or weekly reading schedule that becomes a part of your child's routine. Consistency helps build habits.

Make Reading Fun
Choose books that match your child's interests and age level. Engage with the story by discussing it or acting out parts.

Reward Progress
Celebrate small milestones, like finishing a book or reading a chapter, with praise or a small reward.

How you can help your child to read regularly?

Lead by Example
Show your love for reading by reading regularly yourself. Children are more likely to read if they see you enjoying it.



THE IMPORTANCE OF READING TOGETHER AT HOME

While we celebrate reading in school, the role of parents, carers, and family members cannot be overstated. Reading at home, even for a few minutes each day, helps consolidate what your child learns at school and builds precious family memories.

The support and encouragement you provide truly enhance your child's progress and confidence as a reader.

EYFS & Key Stage 1: We recommend sharing a book together for 10–15 minutes every evening.

Key Stage 2: Please encourage your child to read independently or with you for 15–20 minutes nightly.

Talk about characters, the plot, make predictions about what might happen and discuss what has happened to ensure understanding by asking questions about what has happened in the text.

Remember to sign your child's reading record after every session. These records not only keep teachers informed but also celebrate your child's reading journey and achievements.