



St. Oswald's R.C. Primary School



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Dear Families,

Monday 19th February

Welcome back – I hope you had a lovely break.

Key Stage 2 Refurbishments

Over the half term holidays, all of the KS2 classrooms have been fitted with brand new interactive Smartboards. The ones that were replaced were old and didn't function as well as would be expected. The boards were supplied and fitted at a cost of just over £7000 which was met entirely by the PTA. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Faye, Triona and the team for their continued efforts in raising these funds which we as a school are extremely grateful for. I would also, of course, like to thank you for supporting the various fundraising events that have raised such a large amount that we have been able to put to such good use.

Parent Pay

While on the subject of finance, could I please ask you to check your Parent Pay accounts and, if you are in a position to do so, clear or make part-payments to any unpaid amounts. As a school, we recognise the importance of educational visits, participation in sporting events and residential etc. to your child's education and hope to continue to offer the variety of opportunities that we currently do. However, as our budget is, and has historically been, very tight, we are very much dependent on your voluntary contributions. So, if you are able to pay any outstanding balance, this would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

World Book Day

We will be acknowledging World Book Day in school on 1st March with some reading activities in each class but children **will not** be asked to come dressed as a story character as we traditionally do this during our own Book Week in the Autumn term.

Updated Dates for Diaries:

February

Tuesday 20th Feb – Year 3 & Year 4 Band in a Box performance for parents (11am)

Tuesday 20th Feb – Year 6 'Smart Walker' (Road Safety training around neighbouring streets)

Wednesday 21st Feb – Year 4 Skipping workshop in school

Wednesday 21st Feb – Year 2 Skipping Festival at St Cuthbert's High School (children will return to school at approximately 4pm)

Friday 23rd Feb – Y1 Liturgy for parents in school 9:00am

Tuesday 27th Feb – Road Safety workshop for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

March

Thursday 1st Mar – World Book Day (No costumes necessary)

Friday 2nd Mar – Year 5 Mass in school for Parents 9:00am

Friday 2nd Mar – Year 5 visit to Sacred Heart to see a production of Julius Caesar (children will return to school at approx. 3:30pm)

Wednesday 7th Mar - School Nurse visit to Y3 (My Body & I) & Y4 (Relationships & I)

Friday 9th Mar – Y3 Liturgy for parents in school 9:00am

Friday 9th Mar – Swimming Gala at Gosforth pool

Monday 12th – Year 6 Parents' Meeting for Borrowdale Residential at 5:30pm

Thursday 15th Mar – Reception trip to the Shipley Art Gallery & The Angel of the North

Friday 16th Mar – Y4 Liturgy for parents in school 9:00am

Monday 19th Mar – Reception 'Intro to Play' sports session at the Walker Dome

Tuesday 20th & Thursday 22nd Mar - Parents' Consultation Evenings

Friday 23rd Mar - Reception Liturgy for parents in school 9:00am

PTO for more information



Tuesday 27th Mar – Y3 Dance Festival at the Newcastle City Hall

Wednesday 28th Mar – Y4 & Y5 Easter Production at Sacred Heart Church 7:00pm

Thursday 29th Mar - School closes for Easter

Monday 16th Apr – School re-opens for children

I hope you will find the above dates useful. The dates of any additional events will be relayed to you as soon as possible and be made available on our website in due course.

With best wishes,



Mr P Marley

