

## St Oswald's CE Primary School

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### School Diary Dates 2024/2025

#### <u>March</u>

26th Y5/6 Residential

### <u>April</u>

- 2nd DoJo Gallery 2:45pm-3:30pm
  3rd Y3/4 residential presentation
  3rd Non uniform for bingo chocolate
  3rd Easter Bingo
  4th Academy Photography classes am
  4th Easter Service 2pm
  4th Break up for Easter
- 22nd Back to school
- 28th Y3/4 Residential

### <u>May</u>

5th Bank holiday
7th Y1/2 Trip to Imagine That
12th Y6 SATs week
20th Sports Day & picnic lunch
23rd Break up for half term

### <u>June</u>

2nd Inset day
3rd Back to school
19th Y3/4 Beeston Castle
24th-26th Malbank Transition Days

Attendance of the week Foxes and Hedgehogs

100%

### <u>Happy Birthday</u>

Happy birthday to Mya. We hope you have a magical day.



### "Let your light shine"

Matthew 5:16

### This term we are celebrating justice

### Prayer of the week

God of justice and mercy, You love us and want the best for us. Thank you for helping us to know the right way to live. May your ways always be our ways. So that all that we do and say is honouring to you. In the name of Jesus. Our saviour and guide. Amen



## MyMaths

### <u>My Maths Stars of the Week</u> Leonardo Oliver Ziggy

Olivia Jamie Daniel



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21st March 2025

# Let Your Light Shine, Dur Stars of the Week

**Mrs McDonough's stars of the week -** Delilah for a fabulous first 2 weeks in Nursery Callum for being so amazingly confident, Dougie for putting in 100% in his maths and Daniel for being a shining ambassador for St Oswald's during buddy time and Easter workshop

Owls - Hattie for wonderful work in her maths and capacity and Florentina for being so enthusiastic

Deers - Obi and Izzie for their fabulous Victorian dolls

Hedgehogs - Gwyn and Stanley for their incredible maths

**Foxes** - Jamie for his fantastic contributions in our Easter workshop, also Sienna for putting in so much effort in our extra maths and reading

Ethos Team Choice - Gretl and Harley for being just and fair at all times

Wraparound care star of the week - Marlowe for always getting involved and for being such a good friend

## <u>Christian Value – Justice</u>

**Owls** - Henry K for being so caring and making sure children visiting the chicks were washing their hands and following the rules

Deers - Sienna for always doing the right thing

Hedgehogs - Gretl for always standing up for others

Foxes - Jess for always doing the right thing



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# <u>Mrs McDonough's Messages</u>

Dear parents and carers,

Spring has finally arrived! The children are loving playing on the field and we are busy updating outside areas including the Year 1/2 play area and the wilderness area at the bottom of the field. If anyone has any bulbs, plants or planters they no longer need, please let Mrs Stephenson and the Eco team know—they would happily accept any donations!

### <u>Justice</u>

'The most important commandment is this: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Mark 12.29-31

Jesus spent his time on earth helping and healing those in need. He taught people about God and told them how much God cared for them. We have been thinking this week about how much God loves us, and how we let God's love shine from us to help others.



### Life Cycle of a Chicken

We have welcomed 9 fluffy chicks in EYFS this week, and everyone is in awe of the miracle of new life! They have been promoted into the hatchery now, having left the incubator yesterday. They are enjoying being held and cuddled, and are scratching away exploring their new home. We have 4 girls and 5 boys—the children have loved naming them and making them cards and pictures. Spring time brings so many blessings and we are so thankful to experience this in school for another year.

### PTA updates

Many thanks to you all for all of your support for the Mother's Day Fair. It was a great event with so many proud (and messy) children making such wonderful things for special people. With special thanks to the staff and PTA members who helped organise this event, which not only raises money for the school, but encourages us to come together as a community and socialise. We are now busy getting ready for the Easter Bingo on Thursday 3rd April. More information will be shared on class DoJo but all are welcome for this after school event; it was a sell out last year and everyone, from nursery children to grandparents, had a blast!

#### School Dinners changes

We have previously written to you to make you aware that Cheshire East Catering were ceasing to trade from 31st March this year. As a Trust, and as part of CDAT, we will be taking on a new catering team from April 1st called Chartwells. They are an established catering team that works in many schools across the North West and we are busy looking at menus ready for the handover. We will sadly be saying goodbye to Karen Robinson, our school cook who not only provides dinners for many pupils and staff daily, but also helps out with so many aspects of school life including wrap around care, lego club, DT lessons and supporting baking club to name a few. We shall miss her so much, and wish her lots of luck and best wishes in her new role in a school that is local to her where she will be working in a small team of cooks in a much larger school. We hope she will stay in touch and pop in to see us now and again!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend and as always, if you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please get in touch via email to <u>principalstoswalds@RCSAT.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

Kind Regards, Louise McDonough

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## PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

### Penalty Notices will be issued for

Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.

**10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period:** A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.

However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

### Per Parent/Per Child

Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Second Offence

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:

£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

### Third Offence

On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.

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