









ST. OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

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Welcome back to the new term, I hope that you all had a lovely holiday with your children and you are refreshed and ready for the new academic year.

A special welcome to all those parents who are new to the School, I hope that your children will have a very happy time and love coming to St Oswald's; the children all look very smart and are a real credit to you all. Can I ask that all uniforms are clearly labelled with your child's name as lost property, as you can imagine with so many children, this can be a big problem. Additionally school **footwear must be plain black** with no stripes, ticks etc. Children who have no school shoes will be asked to wear black pumps. Children's hair, whether boys or girls must be tied back if long, this is for hygiene reasons and prevents the spread of head lice.

May will also take this opportunity to remind you of some other school information:

Children are allowed into school from 8:45am, support staff will be available on all yards and classrooms to assist the children in preparation for the day. Lessons will start promptly at 9:00am so it is very important that children arrive on time.

Emergency Contact Form

Please find attached the **emergency contact form/medical form**. It is extremely important that this form is returned to school this week with relevant, up to date contact numbers, and all medical issues that we need to be aware of. Even if you have filled in this information previously then please repeat this.

Your child will not be allowed to stay to any extra curricular activities or take part in swimming etc without this form being returned.

Permission slips for photographs and internet are also attached.

Dinner money

Dinner money is £1:80 per day and we would be grateful if it could be paid on the first school day of each week, a full week is £9.00. I ask that money is paid as promptly as possible please to prevent the build up of arrears. Money should be placed in an envelope, with your child's name, class and the amount clearly written on the front please. We have small envelopes available to send home with the children if you request them, which should make this task a little easier for all concerned.

The system of payment on line will be fully functional once all the information has been inputted into the system, this is available with details from the school office or website. If you prefer to pay with cheque, this should be made out to St Oswald's Catholic Primary School.

Please be aware that children cannot swop and change between packed lunch and hot meals, the decision must be made each term.

Infant children are all entitled to a free school meal under the governments scheme so no payment is required.

Breakfast club

If you wish your child to attend Breakfast Club, the charge is £2:50 per day which includes a breakfast and a drink. The children are supervised by school staff and this gives you the opportunity to leave for work or just organise your day. Children who wish to attend Breakfast Club can just turn up at the junior hall door between 7.45-8.30am. Infant children are welcome to attend and will be walked safely to school at 8.45am.

Fruit

Fresh fruit is sold each day as a mid morning snack this is at a cost 20p a piece, children need to bring their money to school and purchase a fruit of their choice. Payment only applies to junior children.

HOMEWORK

Starting next week the children in each year group will be getting homework on a regular basis. Last year's parent's questionnaires stated that parents wanted longer time for their child to complete the homework, less at the weekends and to have the work linked to current learning. Homework will be given to all children, the onus will be on children and families to complete the work and there will be no punishments for unfinished work. I hope that all families will support work given by the school as it is for the children's benefit that homework is set.

Extra Curricular Clubs

Every term, the staff offer a wide selection of after school clubs to further enhance the children's educational experiences. The clubs will start the week starting September 18th and will run from 3.15-4.00pm. A letter will be sent out later in the week listing the clubs that are available and asking children to choose. If your child is offered a place in a club they will **receive written notification**. We try and ensure that all children who want to attend a club can do so, but places will be allocated on a first come basis.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to a happy and successful year for us all.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Mary Walsh Headteacher