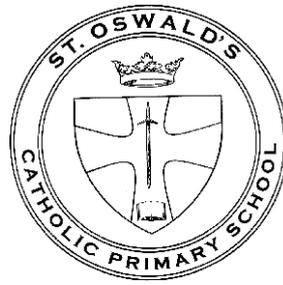




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Dear Parents & Carers,

I wanted to write to thank you all for the wonderful response to the letter from the local authority asking families to rethink any child care arrangements you have, in order that we can keep the numbers of children in school down. St Oswald's has approx. 24% of our children in school currently, this is in comparison to 20% nationally. I think it is important to keep reminding ourselves of the reason's schools were closed to all but essential key workers supporting the covid response and vulnerable children, and that we all need to support the fight against this horrible virus by sticking to the rules. I know that life is really hard for everyone at the moment, and children are not feeling great stuck at home away from their friends, but please God it won't be for much longer and I look forward to full school reopening in the not too distant future.

Remote learning is going really well with the vast majority of children logging on daily or working through paper packs. The staff are always on the learning platforms to help and support and have been very impressed with the children's' work at home.

On another note, next week is the last week that our Home/School liaison officer Mrs Hyland will be working in St Oswald's, she has been snapped up by the mental health team in Alder Hey, a real testament to her skill. Mrs Hyland has been an essential part of our safeguarding and pastoral support team since 2011, so has worked with hundreds of our families. I know that those who have had a direct relationship with her will join me in congratulating her on her new role but also thank her for all the love and support she has given our community.

We are currently recruiting for someone to fill her position in school but those are big shoes to fill!! I will keep you updated when we employ a replacement.

Mrs Hyland wanted to say a goodbye herself so I have attached her letter below.



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*Dear parent/ carers and children,*

*It is with a heavy heart that I write to inform you that I will be leaving St Oswald's Catholic Primary School on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021. I have worked in school for nearly 11 years now and can honestly say it has been a privilege to be part of your lives. I have worked with many families directly and indirectly, which has given me so much pleasure and pride.*

*After my hard work and study over the past 5 years, I am moving on to the next chapter of my career as a Mental Health Practitioner at Alder Hey.*

*I will take so many memories away with me and all that I have learnt from my pastoral role at St Oswald's, which has given me the skills and confidence to progress in my career.*

*St Oswald's will always hold a special place in my heart because of the relationships I have developed whilst working here. A big heartfelt thank you to all the children and families at St Oswald's who have been part of my journey so far.*

*Unfortunately, due to the current situation in the world, I am sad I will not be able to see the children and parents/ carers to say a fond farewell. Nevertheless, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all well for the future.*

*Stay safe and take care*

*Mrs Hyland*

I know that many of you may wish to say private goodbyes, so any messages can of course be emailed to her directly [dhyland@stoswaldsschool.com](mailto:dhyland@stoswaldsschool.com)

Yours Sincerely



Mrs M Walsh

Headteacher



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