



Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Families,

Curriculum Evenings

A reminder that Curriculum Evenings will be taking place in school over the next two weeks when teachers will give an insight into what your child will be learning and experiencing in their new class (please see Dates for Diaries below for individual class dates and times). If you are unable to make the meetings, the presentations will be available on the school website soon after.

Parking

The Traffic Management Team from Newcastle City Council has been in touch following concerns from local residents and councillors about parking in the streets outside the school. Can I ask everyone to park considerately by switching off engines when parked, and avoiding driveways, dropped kerbs, and any restricted areas. Your support helps us maintain good relationships with our neighbours and keeps things safe for everyone. Thank you.

Reminder: Free School Meals – Please check your eligibility

I would once again strongly encourage any families who believe they may be eligible for Free School Meals to apply via the Newcastle City Council website, or by clicking the link [HERE](#).

While all children in Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 automatically receive free school meals, it's still important to apply if you're eligible. Doing so provides the school with additional funding (known as Pupil Premium), which supports your child's education throughout their time at St Oswald's, not just while you qualify.

The application process is simple, confidential, and can make a real difference to both your child and the wider school community.

Be Bright, Be Seen Day

On Thursday 23rd October, we will be holding another 'Be Bright, Be Seen' non-uniform day. Children at St Oswald's, Gosforth Park First School, and Gosforth East Middle School are invited to come to school dressed in bright clothes. This event helps raise funds to support Katie, our Road Crossing Patrol Warden, who keeps the entrance to Whitebridge Park safe. The money raised will go towards extending her role further into the school year. Instead of asking for donations on the day, we will be contributing some of the funds raised from our Sponsored Bounce, which is taking place the day before. If you would like to make an additional donation, you can do so by following the link [HERE](#).

Please find below some key dates for the Autumn term (recently added dates in red):

September

Monday 22nd September – Reception Reading meeting for parents 4pm – 4:30pm

Monday 22nd September – Year 1 Curriculum Evening 4:30pm – 5pm

Monday 22nd September – Year 2 Curriculum Evening 5pm – 5:30pm

Wednesday 24th September – Sacred Heart High School Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 25th September – St Mary's High School Year 6 Open Evening

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Friday 26th September – Year 2 Celebration of the Word for parents in school 9am

Tuesday 30th September – Year 5 Curriculum Evening 4:30pm – 5pm

Tuesday 30th September – Year 6 Curriculum & SATs information Evening 5pm – 5:30pm

October

Wednesday 1st October – Year 3 Curriculum Evening 4:30pm – 5pm

Wednesday 1st October – Year 4 Curriculum Evening 5pm – 5:30pm

Thursday 2nd – Tuesday 7th October – Book Fair in school (Details to follow)

Thursday 2nd October – Book Character Day (Children can dress up as a book character or wear non-uniform)

Friday 3rd October – Year 6 Celebration of the Word for parents in school 9am

Tuesday 7th October – Year 6 visit to the Newcastle Eagles for 'STEMFEST'

Tuesday 14th October – Parents' Consultation Evening in school 3:20pm – 6:00pm

Thursday 16th October – Newcastle PE Service leading Team Games sessions for Year 5 & Year 6

Thursday 16th October – Year 2 trip to the Laing Art Gallery

Thursday 16th October – Parents' Consultation Evening in school 3:20pm – 6:00pm

Wednesday 22nd October – Sponsored Bounce in school (Details to follow)

Thursday 23rd October – 'Be Bright, Be Seen' non-uniform day

Friday 24th October – Reception & Year 5 'Special Friends' Liturgy for parents from both classes in school 9am

Friday 24th October – Break up for half term holidays

November

Monday 3rd November – School re-opens for children

Wednesday 5th November – Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination for all classes in school (Details to follow)

Friday 7th November – Year 3 Celebration of the Word for parents in school 9am

Thursday 13th November – PTA AGM in school 8:45am (Details to follow)

Friday 14th November – Children in Need

Friday 14th November – Year 4 Celebration of the Word for parents in school 9am

Friday 28th November – Year 1 Celebration of the Word for parents in school 9am

Sunday 30th November – School Choir singing Carols in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall after 10:30am Mass

PTO



December

Wednesday 3rd December – Year 5 Carols at St Mary's Cathedral with other Newcastle Catholic Primary Schools

Friday 5th December – Christmas Fair in school from 3pm

Tuesday 9th December – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity in school 9am

Wednesday 10th December – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity in school 9am

Thursday 11th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 11th December - Year 3 & Year 4 Nativity in school 9am

Friday 12th December - Year 3 & Year 4 Nativity in school 9am

Monday 15th December – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Party in school

Tuesday 16th December – KS2 Christmas Party in school

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Lunch day

Wednesday 17th December – Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Production at Sacred Heart church 7pm **(Confirmed)**

Friday 19th December – Christmas Carols/Songs on the KS2 yard (Reception – Year 6) 2:30pm

Friday 19th December – Break up for the Christmas holidays

Other important dates:

Monday 5th January 2026 – Staff Training Day (School Closed to children)

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May 2026 – Year 6 SATs week (Please do not book holidays during this week)

Friday 22nd May 2026 - Staff Training Day (School Closed to children)

With my very best wishes,



P Marley

