Friday 15th May 2026

Dear families,

I hope you are all well.

Children's Cancer Run

We're really looking forward to seeing many of you on Sunday for the Children's Cancer Run at Gosforth Park Racecourse. Although you can complete the run at any time, if you would like to join us and run alongside other children and families from St Oswald's, our allocated start time is **11:50am**. Any former pupils and families are also very welcome to join us.

For those arriving by car, please use **Car Park A**. We will meet in the car park opposite the Border Minstrel pub at approximately 11:40am to ensure we reach the start area in good time.

Please note that run packs for runners who registered after Monday 4th May will need to be collected from the **Event Information Point** (the large white marquee) at Newcastle Racecourse during opening times on either Saturday 16th or Sunday 17th May.

If you registered before this date and have still not received your pack, or if you have been sent the incorrect t-shirt size, please also visit the Event Information Point where a replacement pack can be issued

Event Information & Registration opening times:

Saturday 16th May: 10.00am - 1.00pm

Sunday 17th May: 9.00am - 12.00pm

Sacred Heart Church Fundraiser

To help raise funds for essential repairs to our parish church and support the continued running of the church, a programme of monthly fundraising events is being launched. The first event will be a "Call My Bluff" Wine Tasting Evening, taking place in Sacred Heart Church Hall on Saturday 11th July. Doors will open at 7:00pm, with the event beginning at 7:30pm. Tickets cost £15 and there will be a variety of games and a raffle throughout the evening. All proceeds will go directly towards the Church Building Fund. Organisers hope the evening will not only help support the church repairs, but also provide a great opportunity to bring the parish community together.

For tickets, please contact John Dowling on 07427 837 813, including your name and the number of tickets required.

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‘Miles in May’ Sponsored Challenge

The PTA will be sending out information next week about an exciting Sponsored Challenge to help raise money for our school. Inspired by one of our pupils, the challenge will encourage children and families to run, cycle, scoot or even swim as many miles as they can over half term. All funds raised will go towards resources and experiences that will directly benefit the children in school. Further details will follow.

Parent Survey

Apologies for asking this so soon after sending out our own survey, but if you have a spare few minutes, we would appreciate it if you could complete the Local Authority Parent Survey. You can access the survey by following the link HERE.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Dates for Diaries

Please find below some key dates for the Summer term:

May

Sunday 17th May - Children’s Cancer Run at Newcastle Racecourse

Thursday 21st May – Reception, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 trip to the Theatre Royal

Thursday 21st May – Break up for half term

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

June

Monday 1st June – School re-opens for the second half of the Summer term

Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th June – Year 4 residential at the Youth Village

Friday 5th June – Year 3 Celebration of the Word in school (9am)

Thursday 11th June – Reception trip to the Great North Museum

Friday 12th June – Year 5 Celebration of the Word in school (9am)

Friday 12th June - School photographer in school

Saturday 13th June - Year 4 First Holy Communion Celebration at Sacred Heart Church

Monday 15th June - School photographer in school

Friday 19th June – Reception class Celebration of the Word in school (9am)

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Friday 19th June – Summer Fair in school 3pm

Monday 22nd – Wednesday 24th June - Year 5 residential to Keswick

Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th June - Year 6 residential to Borrowdale

Thursday 25th June – Year 2 trip to the Scotswood Gardens

Friday 26th June – Year 4 Celebration of the Word in school (9am)

Tuesday 30th June - Sports Day (Rec & KS1 9:30-11am/KS2 1:15-2:45pm)

<u>July</u>

Thursday 2nd July - 'Rock Pool School' marine life Science session in Reception class

Thursday 2nd July – Year 6 Leavers' Mass at St Mary's Cathedral with other Newcastle Catholic schools

Thursday 2nd July – Celebration of work drop-in afternoon (3pm – 5pm in classes)

Friday 3rd July – Year 2 Celebration of the Word in school (9am)

Friday 3rd July - Year 5 Drama club's performance of 'The Tempest' at the Northern Stage (6pm)

Wednesday 8th & Friday 10th July - Year 6 Catholic Feeder Secondary school transition days

Tuesday 14th July – Year 6 Leavers' Mass in school (7pm)

Friday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9am)

Friday 17th July – School closes for the Summer holidays

With my very best wishes,

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