



Friday 28th March 2025

Dear Families,

I hope you are all well.

Easter Egg Competition

We are excited to announce the return of our ever-popular Easter Egg Competition! For families new to our school, this annual event invites children to decorate a hardboiled egg(s), which will then be judged by staff members. Each class will be allocated a display area in the hall, and winners, along with runners-up, will receive prizes in each year group.

This year, decorated eggs should be brought into school on **Monday, 7th April**. Families are invited to visit the hall at the end of the school day to admire the creative entries. Good luck!

PTA Discos

We are delighted to let you know that the KS1 and KS2 discos raised an incredible £483.82! A huge thank you to everyone who attended and, in particular, to the PTA and parent volunteers who helped make the events such a fantastic success. It was a wonderful opportunity to raise funds while having fun.

Bikes and Scooters on the school site

Can I please ask that children do not ride bikes or scooters within the school grounds. With the school site being particularly busy at drop-off and pick-up times, this is a safety concern, and we appreciate your support in ensuring everyone's wellbeing. I have asked that GEMS relay this message to their children, as some of them use our internal road too. Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

The Wellbeing Hub

A reminder that as part of our commitment to supporting pupil mental health and wellbeing at St Oswald's, we are pleased to offer parents and carers free access to *The Wellbeing Hub*. Developed by experts in child and adolescent mental health, this valuable resource provides guidance and support for families.

For more information on how to register, please refer to the attached flyer.

Children's Cancer Run (Early Bird Entry Discount ends on Sunday)

We would love for you and your family to join our school team for the Children's Cancer Run at Newcastle Racecourse, Gosforth Park on **Sunday 18th May 2025**. If you are planning to join us, **there is an early bird discount on the entry fee up until the 31st March**.

Please complete an online entry form to join our team:

1. Go to <https://childrenscancernorth.org.uk/event/childrens-cancer-run-2025/>
2. Select 'Sign up today!'
3. Select your registration preference (as an Adult, Child, or Family)
4. Under 'Create or Join a team' select 'Find' and type in '**St Oswald's**'. Click 'Join' next to the school name.

Complete the remainder of the registration form and click 'proceed to payment' to complete the registration for you and/or your family.

Organisers advise that once children are registered, you should go to 'edit display name' on their fundraising page and change their display name so that it does not include their full name (initials or just their first name is recommended).

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Dates for Diaries

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

March

Monday 31st – Year 1 trip to Castle Keep

April

Tuesday 1st April – Year 4 Dance Festival at the Whitley Bay Playhouse (details to follow)

Friday 4th April – PTA Golden Ticket Draw

Monday 7th April – Easter Egg competition in school

Tuesday 8th April – Big Lent Walk (details to follow)

Tuesday 8th April – Parents' Evening (all classes)

Wednesday 9th April – Year 4 & Year 5 Easter Production at Sacred Heart Church 7pm

Thursday 10th April – Parents' Evening (all classes)

Friday 11th April – Reception class Easter Story for parents in school 9am

Friday 11th April – Break up for the Easter holidays

Monday 28th April – School re-opens for the Summer term

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

With my very best wishes,



P Marley

