



November's Monthly Newsletter

Important Dates

Friday 7th November - Cross Country AM

Friday 7th November - Parents are invited to join us for Remembrance Assembly at 1pm.

Tuesday 11th November - Year 6 Peer Tutoring at Greenhill PM

Thursday 13th November - Darwin Science in Sycamore Class AM

Friday 14th November - World Diabetes Day. See poster on page 5 for more information.

Willow Creative Arts Project Trip to Coppet Hall.

Tuesday 18th November - Spectrum sessions in Willow and Oak.

Friday 21st November - Christmas Market after school and carols around the tree.

Tuesday 25th November - Year 5 and 6 Urdd Netball

Wednesday 26th November - coffee afternoon starting at 2:15pm - join the Senior Leadership Team (Mrs Rees and Mrs Grieve) for a coffee and a chat.

Thursday 27th November - Fluoride Varnish for pupils with consent

Friday 28th November - Wreath making (FRIENDS EVENT) in the school hall - 6:30pm

Tuesday 2nd December - Rapunzel Panto at the Torch Theatre 2pm start

Thursday 4th December - Sycamore class participating in PBuzz concert.

Friday 5th December - Dosbarth Oak's Land Assembly - Parents are invited to join us at 2:30 for a presentation of learning from Dosbarth Oak.

Tuesday 9th December - Acorns and Willow Christmas Play Dress rehearsal.

Wednesday 10th December - Acorns and Willow Christmas play afternoon and evening performances.

Important Dates

Continued

Thursday 11th December – Elf Emporium arranged by the FRIENDS. Details to follow.

Sycamore's Land Assembly - Parents are invited to join us at 2:30 for a presentation of learning from Dosbarth Sycamore.

Friday 12th December – Dosbarth Little Acorns and Willow visiting East Park Care Home.

Monday 15th December – Carol Concert at Jeffreyston Church.

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 18th December– Musical Afternoon. An opportunity for children who are currently learning to play an instrument to perform to the school. Parents are invited to join us at 1:30pm.

Friday 19th December – Christmas Party Day. Break up for Christmas holidays.

Monday 22nd December – Christmas Holidays

Monday 5th January – INSET DAY. No school for pupils

Tuesday 6th January – Children return to school following Christmas break.



Dosbarth Little Acorns

Purdey - 4 oed

Starla - 4 oed

Peter - 5 oed

Dosbarth Sycamore

Alice - 8 oed

Emma - 8 oed

Imogen - 8 oed

Adam - 8 oed

Freddie - 9 oed



Dosbarth Willow

Maisie - 7 oed

Dosbarth Oak

Oscar - 10 oed

Elin - 11 oed

Hannah - 11 oed



DIOLCH!

A huge DIOLCH to all parents and staff who have helped with ground maintenance and tidying around the school.

We are extremely fortunate to have such beautiful green spaces here at St. Oswald's, but of course, that means there's plenty to look after!

We're lucky to have a dedicated group of dads who are keen to help keep our grounds looking their best. If you'd like to join their team, we'd love to hear from you.

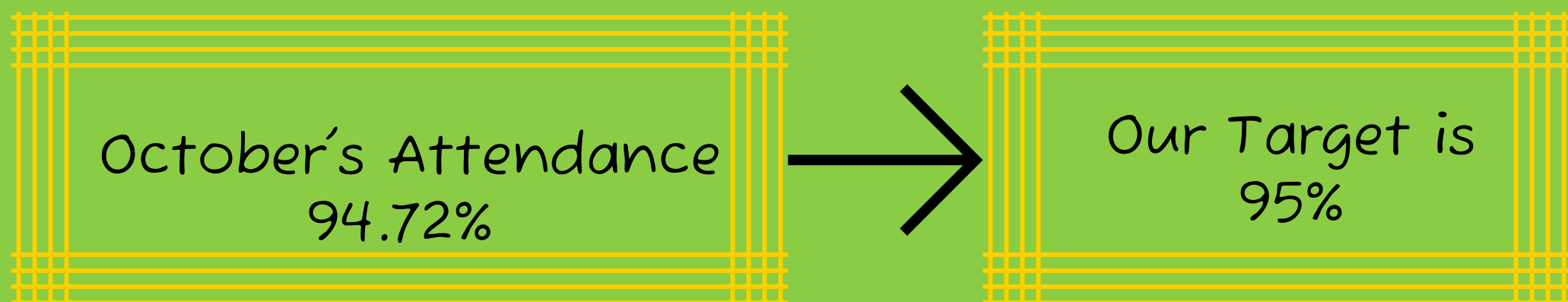


A big DIOLCH to Martin Jones for cutting back the hedge along the path so that we could safely walk to church for our Harvest festival.

We'd also like to extend a very big 'Thank you' to David James of Langdon Mill Farm for trimming the hedges over the half term holidays.



Good attendance is vital to every child's success in school. Regular attendance helps pupils build strong learning habits, develop friendships, and make the most of the exciting opportunities here at St. Oswald's. We are dedicated to working together with our families to make sure all pupils attend school regularly and enjoy their learning every day.



The Education Welfare Officer (EWO) will be meeting with us regularly to discuss attendance and will advise us on sending attendance letters to parents/carers of pupils whose attendance is currently below 90%.

We have appointed a new Family Engagement Officer (FEO) to replace Mrs Cook who retired at the end of the summer term. Her start date is yet to be finalised however, we are hoping that she will begin as soon as possible.



Newyddion y Criw Cymraeg

What is the Siarter Iaith?

The Siarter Iaith (Welsh Language Charter) is a project that encourages children to use more Welsh in school and in their everyday lives. It aims to help pupils feel proud of the Welsh language and confident to speak it, both inside and outside the classroom.

At St. Oswald's, we promote Welsh through fun classroom activities, songs, celebrations like Shwmae Day, and by using Welsh as part of our daily routines. We are proud to be working towards the Gold Award of the Siarter Iaith, showing our continued commitment to making Welsh a natural and enjoyable part of everyday life for all our pupils.

COMPETITION TIME

Design a Siarter Iaith Mascot for St. Oswald's.

Criw Cymraeg would like you to design a Siarter Iaith Mascot (character) that we can use at school. You can draw a mascot or use ICT it is completely up to you.

All entries need to be in school by **Tuesday 18th November** of November to be judged by Criw Cymraeg.

Criw Cymraeg will announce the winning mascot in our Gawsanaeth Cymraeg on the **Wednesday 19th November**

20 house points will be awarded to every child who enters the competition.

The winner (chosen by Criw Cymraeg) will get 20 house points and a prize.

DIWRNOD SHWMAE

We loved celebrating Shwmae Day on 15th October! We had great fun taking part in a range of Shwmae Day activities in our classes, and our Singalong Cymraeg in the hall was a real highlight.

It was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents, aunties and uncles joining in with the singing and dancing – the children were delighted!

A huge Diolch to everyone who came along and helped make Shwmae Day such a joyful and memorable celebration!



News from Y Llais



We've planned activities for World Diabetes Day. Our colour for the day is 'BLUE' and the theme is 'WATER.' Please see the poster below for more information.

Children who would like to take part in their class water activity will be bringing home a sponsor form. There's no expectation to raise a set amount — every little helps! Donations of any size, such as 20p or 50p sponsors, are very welcome and greatly appreciated.

World Diabetes Day 2025

14th November 2025



Bring in £1 to wear **BLUE**
The wackier the better -
Blue nails, blue hair, blue skin, blue socks etc!

Each class will complete a sponsored water challenge.

Little Acorns - sponsored duck race

Willow - sponsored apple bobbin

Sycamore - sponsored stocks and sponges

Oak - sponsored ice bucket challenge

SPONSORED WATER FORMS WILL COME HOME WITH CHILDREN NEXT WEEK



Faith Ambassador News

We would like to invite you to join us for our annual Service of Remembrance on the 7th November at 1pm in the school hall. Members of the Royal British Legion will also be in attendance.

We will be leading the act of worship and would love to see you there!



Our Right of the Month



Please scan the QR code to access more information on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child via their guide for parents.

Parent Views Questionnaire

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who took the time to complete our recent questionnaire. We truly value your feedback — while much of it was wonderfully positive, it also provided us with some thoughtful points to consider as we continue to move forward. We are very grateful for your honesty and support.

As a result, we'd like to invite all parents and carers to a Coffee Afternoon on Tuesday, 18th November, in the school hall from 2:15pm. This will be an opportunity to meet with the Senior Leadership Team to work together on ways we can continue to make St. Oswald's the best it can be.

If anyone would like to arrange a meeting to discuss their concerns in private, then please make an appointment via Mrs Morgan in the office.

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Prayer of the Month



Dear God,

This month of November,
we take time to remember.

We remember all those who have been brave,
who have helped to make our world a safer and kinder place.

We thank You for the men and women
who gave so much so that we can live in peace.
We pray for families who have lost loved ones,
and for people still affected by war and conflict today.

Help us to be peacemakers in our school,
to show kindness in our words and actions,
and to build a world where everyone is treated with love and
respect.

May we always remember,
and may our hearts be filled with peace.

Amen.

