24th February 2016

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to draw your attention to several important items:

**‘Service’ Assembly, Mon 29th February, 10.00am**

At St Oswald’s we have six ‘core values’: Respect, Compassion, Friendship, Service, Trust and Justice. These are the basis for everything that we do as a school, and each half term we focus on one of these values to help our children understand what they mean in practice.

This half term’s value is ‘*Service*’. In our school assembly next Monday we will be thinking about this in the context of people who serve in the armed forces, which is particularly relevant to many of our pupils and their families. The assembly will be led by Padre Jason Clark from Imphal Barracks and several of our service pupils will be taking part. We would like to invite any parents / carers who are interested to attend this special assembly, which starts at 10.00am and will finish by 10.30am.

**St Oswald’s Anti-Bullying Policy**

Following work with the children last term to tie in with National Anti-Bullying Week, we have revised our Anti-Bullying Policy to ensure that it reflects fully our school’s values and procedures. We have also produced a child-friendly version of the policy, which will be displayed around school. You can view both documents on our website here. If you would like a paper copy of either document, please ask at the school office.

**Parents’ Survey 2016**

If you are coming to meet your child’s teacher at one of our Parents’ Evenings next week, you will be given a copy of our Parents’ Survey. The format of this is the same as Ofsted’s ‘Parent View’ survey. We ask parents to complete the survey each year as it gives you a chance to give us your views on a range of aspects of school and helps us to plan for the future. We would be very grateful if you can take the time to complete the survey as and return it to us either at the end of the evening or afterwards. Copies of the survey will also be available from the school office next week.

If you have any queries about any of these, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Rupert Griffiths