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WINIFRED'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday, 4F visited the Ringway Centre in Grove Park. They studied the different habitats they have on site as well as the surrounding landscape, as part of their study into the water cycle in geography and habitats in science. This is a new venture and so far, it has been great.

On Tuesday, year 2 visited the Church of The Good Shepherd in Handen Road for a tour of the church. They met the Clergy, Rev Bridget Shepherd and Rev Sarah Simpson who were really welcoming and kind to the children.

On Wednesday, 1LO visited Pizza Express in Blackheath, where they experienced how to prepare pizzas in a working restaurant and found out about healthy eating choices. They also created yummy pizzas to eat after their visit.

5K visited The Royal Academy of Arts for an exhibition, talk and workshop related to the Picasso and Paper Exhibition. This was a fantastic experience for our pupils.

Dates for your diary

The school photographer will be here on Thursday 26th March.

Coronavirus

We have taken the decision to stop all school trips requiring transport for the time being. The children will still be using facilities within walking distance in our local area. Some of you may already have paid for trips and of course you will be refunded for these. We have not yet decided on our residential trips for year 2 and year 4. We will let you know about these as soon as possible. I am really sorry to have to stop trips as the children will be upset about this but feel we need to minimise risks for our community.

We are trying to keep everything as normal as possible for the children whilst continually risk assessing to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all in our community.

It is really important that you inform us if you have any concerns and keep your child off school if they are unwell.

Please check government advice which is very regularly updated:

As you are aware, schools are staying open until directed otherwise. As a school, we are preparing to ensure learning can continue for all our pupils if we are directed to close at some point. We want to find the best way to manage this and will be sending home a letter with all pupils today to check on whether they will be able to access digital learning or whether we will need to send lots of books home. We would really appreciate a swift response to this to enable us to prepare.



This is a link to the most recent updates: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

School Photographer

The school photographer will be here on Thursday 26th March. This will be for individual, siblings in school, twins and class photos of the children from Nursery to Year 6 which will take place during the school day. Please ensure that your child comes to school in full school uniform. If you would like a family group of your children with siblings not of school age taken, please come to the Main Hall from 8.30 am.

Wednesday Word

Link for the Wednesday Word: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/wednesday-word-1.pdf>

Attendance for this week

| Class | Attendance | Class | Attendance |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Reception A | 97% | Year 3F | 94% |
| Reception CO | 96% | Year 4F | 99% |
| Year 1LO | 95% | Year 4C | 99% |
| Year 1UB | 98% | Year 5K | 93% |
| Year 2A | 88% | Year 5G | 97% |
| Year 2M | 98% | Year 6F | 90% |
| Year 3T | 95% | Year 6M | 94% |

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

Coffee morning after Sunday 9:00am Mass

These are cancelled until further notice.

Lenten Lunches – Sunday 15th March

These are cancelled until further notice.

1st Holy Communion programme

The next meeting is on Saturday 28th March. It is for the children only and they should meet in the church for a 10:00am start. They will be covering Chapter 3 “Celebrating our rescue - reconciliation”.

The Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes

Please do save the date of Sunday 29th March at 4pm in the church for our next performance, where we shall be presenting Faure's Requiem, along with two or three other well-known and appropriate pieces. The Chorus rehearsals continue at 8pm in the church on Monday 9th March.

Coronavirus impact – at the time of this issue, these events are still scheduled to go ahead, however if there is new advice from either the Diocese or Government, or if other circumstances change, they may be subject to postponement or cancellation at short notice.

The Friends of St Winifred's – PTA

Easter Egg Hunt 31st March

We have the annual Easter Egg Hunt coming up on Tuesday 31st March.

We're appealing to parents who might be working for a company that would like advertising in exchange for donating funds to buy Easter eggs for all the children at school.

This is a popular event that the children love and we couldn't pull it off without help for all of you. Please get in touch with *Andrea* 07714622405 on *WhatsApp* or email us on stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com

See flyer Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/EASTER-EGG-HUNT-FLYER-2020.pdf>

Thank you so much, we appreciate all the help and funds we can get, big or small.

Easy Fundraising

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - you could be raising a free donation for our school? There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, the Disney Store, the Trainline, Sainsbury's and many more! It doesn't cost you a penny extra and is totally secure! It's really simple.

All you have to do is head to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fostwinifredslee and sign up for free and start shopping!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, The Friends of St Winifred's - PTA

All profit made goes towards furthering the education of our children and building a strong and inclusive school community

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan

