

19th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was Anti-Bullying Week, the children have been discussing what bullying is, what it looks like and why it should not happen. They have also looked at strategies to help them when disagreements take place.

The week started with Odd Socks Day. Thank you to all the children who participated and donated money for playground play equipment. We have raised £131. The school council will be choosing what they would like to buy for the playground to encourage positive play.

In assembly on Monday, I had the pleasure of introducing to the children our Year 5 Peer Mediators. Twenty children in Year 5 were trained as Peer Mediators, using the Restorative Justice approach. They will be available on the playground to help children resolve issues that may arise.

The week's focus was 'One Kind Word'. All week, all the adults in the school have been on the look out for children being kind. If a child was 'caught' being kind, they were rewarded with a raffle ticket. The raffle tickets were collected in each class.

Before home time today, the winning raffle ticket was pulled. There was a prize for every winner in all the classes.

Now that we're at the end of Anti-Bullying Week, our work does not stop. This message is one that will be reiterated and reminded to the children. We want our school to be a happy one, filled with positive relationships.

Friends of St Winifred's Cake Sale:

On Monday, The Friends will be hosting their first event of the year, a cake sale, straight after school. On Monday morning, please could you drop off your donations of cake/muffin/biscuits, preferably individually wrapped so there is no cutting involved. The cake sale will be followed by the AGM at 4pm. **PLEASE STAY FOR THE AGM IN THE MAIN HALL!**

If you would like more information or would like to offer your services please contact the Friends via email: stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com

November:

22nd: Cake Sale and AGM

28th: Advent begins

December:

1st: EYs Nativity 2pm

2nd: EYs Nativity 10am

5th: Carol Concert OLOL 3:30pm

8th: KS1 Nativity 2pm

9th: KS1 Nativity 2pm

10th: Christmas Lunch

Christmas Jumper Day £1

13th: LKS2 Nativity 2pm

14th: LKS2 Nativity 2pm

16th: UKS2 Carol Service 6pm

17th: Whole School Mass

Class Parties

End of Term



Use of Mobiles:

In recent weeks, the staff and I have noticed an increasing number of parent/carers using mobile phones when collecting their children at the end of the day. May I please remind you that in accordance with our Safeguarding Policy phones should not be used on the premises. Photos and videos should also not be taken with phones or other image recording devices under any circumstances, due to safeguarding reasons. When entering the main gate, please put your phones away.

Christmas:

Please see the attached Christmas Dates newsletter, attached to this email for all the Christmas events we have planned.

Parish Carol Concert:

On Sunday 5th December, at 3:30pm, the Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils have been asked to perform at the Carol Concert in Our Lady of Lourdes parish. Please return the permission slip if you would like your child to participate. If you are free on this Sunday afternoon, why don't you join us for this joyful event during Advent.

Sports Clubs:

The Year 5 & 6 Breakfast football clubs started this week. How fantastic to begin to offer these again! There will be after school sports clubs starting in the first week of December. Each club will be limited to 16 children, if your child is interested, then on receipt of the letter, please return the permission slip as soon as possible.

This week our lunchtime clubs re-commenced too. Every year group from Year 1-6 will have one lunchtime a week, where they will be able to take part in a Multi-Skills session with a sports coach.

Reception 2022:

If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2022 (born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018) or know someone who does, I hope that St Winifred's is your first choice! Our open days have now begun. If you would like to book a place on one of the open days, please contact the school office. Please feel free to share this information with prospective parents you may know.

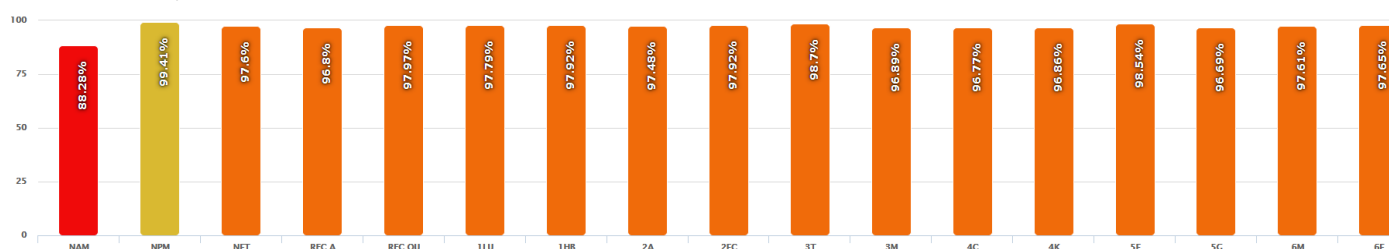
During the School Day		After School
9:15am – 10am	2pm – 2:45pm	4pm
Friday 26 th November Friday 7 th January	Thursday 2 nd December Monday 10 th January	Thursday 9 th December

Applications for Reception Class places for September 2022 can now be made on line. Please follow this link:

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-primary-school>

Punctuality:

Punctuality was better this week. Classes did very well and were all above 96%. I thank all of you for trying hard to arrive on time, let's see if all classes can be above 97% next week.



This graph shows the punctuality for this week. This week's winner is: 3T! Well done to 3T! Let's see who can win it next week!

ParentPay

We use ParentPay to enable you to pay for trips/meals/clubs etc. This is just a facility to pay using your credit/bank card. If you do not have an account yet, please email admin@swcps.lewishm.sch.uk giving your child's name and class and we will reply with your login details.

Parent App:

There are 140 app users now. Thank you to those who use it! I would like more users. If you have not downloaded the app yet, please do so. I have had really positive feedback from parents who have started using it. You are able to access the information we hold on your children. Since using the app, so many contact details have been updated. Vital information that we need, if we needed to contact you in an emergency. If you need any help with downloading it, please do not hesitate to ask us.



Social Media:

As you all know, I have created a Facebook, Instagram and Twitter account for the school. If you have not started following us, it's not too late to do so! I have been sharing lots of photos of the children in school and on trips and of their displays.

If you would rather your child **not** be included in photos and videos, please return the letter to the school or send a request via the Scholar Pack app. We will then update our information and know which children not to include in our posts.



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Wednesday Word

Please see the link to this wonderful resource to share with your child, to support them in understanding the Mass Readings for the coming weekend. <https://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/thewednesdaywordwebsite/>

Food Bank

Please be reminded that the school's foodbank is open. If you would like to access it, please contact the school office. If you are able to donate to the foodbank, all donations will be greatly received.

Spare clothing for accidents

Thank you for bringing in your outgrown uniform, but we are very short of aged 6/7 and 8 underwear for minor 'accidents'. Also socks and tights for the wet weather 'accidents'.

Lewisham Music

Please follow this link to access new music opportunities:

<https://mailchi.mp/3daffc5bad75/upcoming-projects-5379355?e=cd1b53fba5>

Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter, it really is very much appreciated.

Claire Gillespie

