

St WINIFRED'S

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Dear Parents and Carers,



Holy Week

This week we celebrated Holy Week in school. Each Year group led an assembly to prepare us for Easter. The assemblies were solemn, reverent and very moving. We thank Father Emeka who came and joined us for the Year 6 stations of the cross today and the Penitential Service on Tuesday.

Easter Egg Hunt

What a fantastic day we had on Tuesday! Every class participated in the annual Friends of St Winifred's egg hunt. Thank you to everyone who donated money for eggs or their time to make the event such a success. The children had a fantastic time!



Community Stations of the Cross

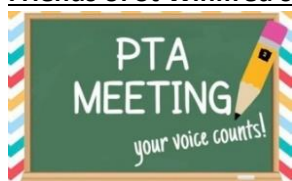
Thank you to all of you who came to walk the Stations of the Cross with the Year 6 children this afternoon. We hope that you enjoyed seeing the children's art work and taking some time in your busy day to reflect on the Lord's Passion.

Parent Governors

After Easter, we will be recruiting two new parent Governors. Our current parent governors are remaining on the governing body but have changed their role. One parent governor's term of office has ended after 4 years and is now becoming a foundation governor. The other is becoming the Local Authority governor. After the Easter holidays, I will share more information about what the role involves. The first coffee morning after the holiday will be an opportunity for parents to meet our current governors and get their perspective on the role of school governor.



Friends of St Winifred's



I emailed you all yesterday with a synopsis of last week's meeting. Included in that School Ping is an information gathering form. Please do take the time to fill it in. On Friday 19th April at 2pm in the small hall, we are going to hold our first committee meeting. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Clocks Go Forward

Don't forget that the clocks go forward this weekend! Just a little reminder so that you're not late for Mass on Easter Sunday!



April:

(Easter Holidays 29th March – 14th April)

15th : Return to School
15th – 26th : Swimming, St Paul Miki Class
18th : Meet the Governors coffee morning
19th : Friends Committee meeting – 2pm
25th : Community Hubs and Team around the school information coffee morning.

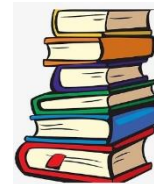
May:

2nd: Drumbeat ASD outreach information Coffee Morning
3rd: St Mary's trip to Woodlands Farm
6th : Bank Holiday Monday
10th : St Joseph's trip to Woodlands Farm
13th -16th : Year 6 SATs Week
17th – 20th: Year 6 School Journey

School Library Books

If your child has borrowed a book from the school library, could you please have a check at home. Please could you ensure that they return any books they have after Easter. We have over many books that are overdue.

Donations Thank you all for donating books to the school for the library. However, we have received so many, that we cannot accept anymore for the time being.



Coffee Mornings:

Do try to pop into the small hall once you have dropped your children to school on a Thursday and have a cup of tea / coffee after the Easter holiday. We look forward to seeing you there every Thursday. On [Thursday 18th](#), the first Thursday back after Easter, it will be your opportunity to [Meet the Governors](#)

Parent / Carer Survey

We are now at the end of term and I would really like you to provide me with feedback to two questions.



1. What has been going well?
2. What could be even better?

I sent you all a School Ping with a survey form attached. I would like as many of you to respond as possible. I am very eager to listen to parent/carer voices. You can email the form back or if hand it in to the school office. You can even remain anonymous if you prefer. At the beginning of the term, I will share the responses I have had with you.

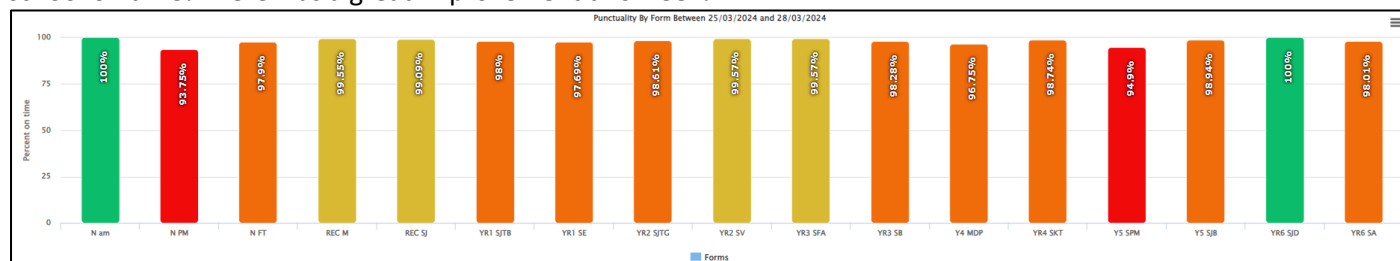
Wednesday Word

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.

Punctuality and Attendance

School attendance this year so far: 95.19% (DfE expects 95%)

Punctuality is ever so important, the aim is for 97% or above. Please continue to support us by getting the children to school on time! There was a great improvement this week!



This week's winners are Nursery am and St Juan Diego with 100%, followed by St Mary, St Joseph, St Veronica and St Francis all on 99%! Most others are above 96%! Nursery a.m., Nursery p.m and St Paul Miki you can do better.

School Ping

Thank you to everyone who is using this app, 92% of parents have downloaded it. If you haven't yet, or if you need any help, please contact the office. SchoolPing is a free app which sends instant messages straight to your smartphone. Please remember to turn on your notifications. If you do not have access to a smartphone, you can also receive messages via email or by logging in to your account on the web. Please make sure the school has your current email address.



Social Media:

Just to remind you, follow us on:



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Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter.

I wish you all a very happy Easter and look forward to seeing you all back at school on the 15th April.

Claire Gillespie