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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a very enjoyable Easter. We now begin our summer term, which we hope will be a great one.

King Charles III Coronation

Please find attached an invitation for the children to the Kings Coronation. On Friday 5th May we are inviting the children to come dressed for the coronation. This may be red, white or blue or their fanciest party clothes.



NEU Industrial Action



As you know, there are further dates planned **Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May**. For further information regarding the rationale for the strike please visit the [NEU website](#).

As indicated on the letter, before and after school clubs will continue as normal.
Absence Clarification: As on the previous dates the strike will be recorded as an absence. We use various codes when reporting absence. The code we used for the strike, does not affect their overall absence percentage, as it is not counted as a possible attendance. *If your child's class is open and your child does not attend, their absence will be recorded following normal procedures.*

The following classes will be open:

Thursday 27th April	Tuesday 2nd May	
St Mary - Reception	St Mary – Reception	St Veronica – Year 2
St Veronica – Year 2	St Bernadette – Year 3	St Francis – Year 3
St Josephine – Year 5	St Josephine – Year 5	

Artsmark: Gold Award!

In February we submitted our Statement of Impact, evaluating the 3 years since submitting our Statement of Commitment. It was assessed and we are delighted that the Arts Council have awarded us the [Artsmark](#) GOLD award! The assessor's feedback stated: *"You have successfully provided a wide range of arts and cultural opportunities and experiences, for pupils to engage in. The arts have been embedded across the curriculum."*
 A huge congratulations to Ms Anthony, our Art coordinator, all the staff and the children for their dedication to the arts! We are all thrilled!

April
22 nd : First Reconciliation OLOL
26 th : Young Marketeers – Borough Market
27 th : Industrial Action
May
1 st : Bank Holiday
2 nd : Industrial Action
5 th : King Charles III coronation
8 th : Bank Holiday
9 th – 12 th : Year 6 SATs
10 th : Year 3 Maritime Museum Trip
15 th – 19 th : Road Safety Week
17 th : Woodlands Farm Trip -St Mary
19 th : Woodlands Farm Trip – St Joseph
19 th – 22 nd : Year 6 School Journey
22 nd – 26 th : Other Faiths Week
29 th – 2 nd June: Half Term
June
5 th : INSET day
10 th -11 th – Holy Communions - OLOL
13 th : Hall Place Trip - Nursery
19 th – 23 rd : Sports Week (Sports Day TBC)
23 rd : Year 2 London Aquarium Trip
28 th : School Photographer
30 th : Summer Concert
July
4 th : Year 2 Trip to Leads Castle
8 th : Summer Fair
10 th -14 th : London Rivers Week
12 th : Leavers Production
19 th : Leavers BBQ
20 th : Leavers' Mass 9:30am
21 st : End of Term



Artsmark Gold Award
 Awarded by Arts Council England

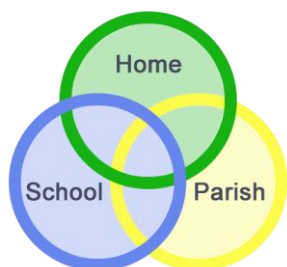
Monthly book reviews!

Inspiring our children to Read for Pleasure! Each month we post book reviews from our book loving pupils, to promote reading for pleasure. This week the reviews are from St Francis of Assisi class – Year 3.

If you do read one of the recommended books, let us know or take a picture of you reading it! Reading for pleasure has been proven to be beneficial to children's health as well as their academic progress in all subjects and areas of life. For further information on the benefits of reading for pleasure see [reading for pleasure.pdf](#) (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Attending Mass

In order to nurture our relationship with Fr Emeka and the parish, this term the children in their year groups will all be attending the parish mass at Our Lady of Lourdes at 9:30am. This will also help them learn the parts of the mass and the responses. If you would like to accompany your child when they go to mass, please talk to your class teacher, as help walking the children to church would be very much appreciated.



May	June	July
18 th : Year 4	8 th : Year 6	6 th : Early Years
25 th : Year 5	15 th : Year 3	20 th : Year 6 Leavers Whole School
	22 nd : Year 2	
	29 th : Year 1	

Class Assemblies:

This term, we would like to invite you all to attend your child's class assembly. When dropping your child to school, you may enter through the main gate and wait under the canopy or in the foyer of the main hall. At 8:45am you will then be invited into the main hall for an 8:50am start.

April		June	
Wednesday 8:50am	Thursday 8:50am	Wednesday 8:50am	Thursday 8:50am
26 th St Kateri (Yr 4)		14 th : Year 6 School Journey	15 th St Veronica (Yr 2)
May			22 nd St Mary (Rec)
Wednesday 8:50am	Thursday 8:50am	28 th St Bernadette (Yr 3)	
3 rd St Francis Assisi (Yr 3)	4 th St Joseph (Rec)		
10 th St Paul Miki (Yr 5)	11 th : John the Baptist (Yr 1)		
17 th : St Martin (Yr 4)	18 th : St Elizabeth (Yr 1)		
24 th : St Josephine B. (Yr 5)	25 th : St James (Yr 2)		

Mini Marathon

Wishing all our runners a wonderful day on Saturday. We have 40 runners this year so if they all complete the course, which we are sure they will, they will raise £400 for the school! Good luck!



Sponsored Walk



On the Saturday the 29th of April, Raffaella in Year 5 is walking 9 miles for the Charlton Athletic Upbeats Down Syndrome Football team. They run entirely on donations, so she is trying to raise as much money as possible by sponsorship. She is very passionate about football and feels strongly that everyone should be able to play! 9 miles is quite a challenge, we wish her all the very best!! If you would like to sponsor her, here is the link: <https://cact.gives/fundraising/raffaella-camelia>

Friends of St Winifred's:

The Friend of St Winifred's need your help to raise funds and it's FREE!

As part of the upcoming Summer Fair, we have approached Reeds Rain to assist with some free advertising and in the process earn a little money back for the school. You have all no doubt seen various advertising boards in people's front gardens, advertising other school fairs or Christmas events, well this time it's our turn. If you could find some space in your front garden and put up a Reeds Rain/St Winifred's Summer Fair advertising board, no bigger than a standard For Sale sign, Reeds Rain will donate money for each board. We need 75 houses to sign up and Reeds Rain will give the Friends of St Winifred's £1500, which could go towards new school equipment, school excursions or other items which all our children will benefit from.

If you'd be happy to help, then please email stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com with your name and address and we will be in touch!

School Dinners

A lot of work has taken place in recent weeks to improve the quality of food, portion size and experience at the serving hatch. Please talk to the children about their thoughts on the changes. If you would like your child to change to school dinners, please contact the school office. Please find the new menu for this term attached.

Free School Meals

All children at the moment from Reception to Year 2 are entitled to 'Universal Free School Meals'. Please check on the [link to see if you are entitled to 'Pupil Premium Free School Meals'](#), this gives you more benefits i.e. free trips etc.

Volunteers:

We are still looking for volunteers, the more the merrier! If you are able to spare some time on a weekly basis and would like to volunteer in school, please let Mrs Carey (mcarey@swcps.lewisham.sch.uk) know. Mrs Carey can then meet with you, discuss what you would be able to offer and ensure all safeguarding checks are completed before commencing.

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.

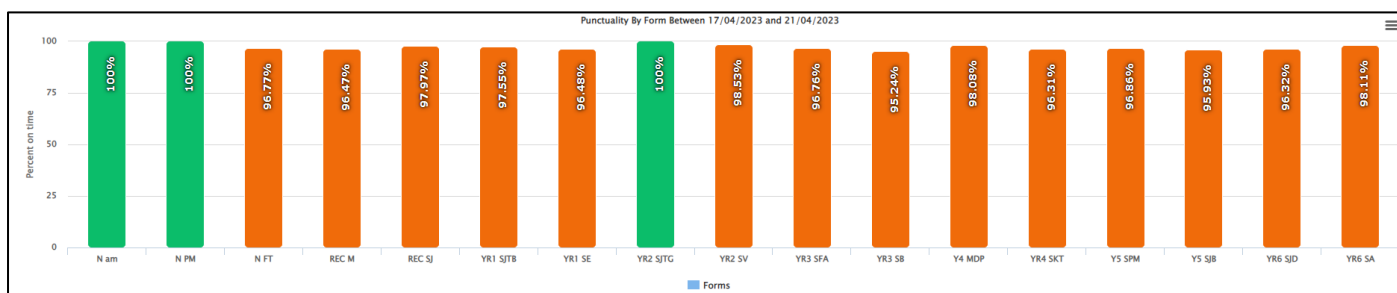
Parent App:

If you need any help with downloading the app, please do not hesitate to ask us. Many parents in the school use it to update our records and to inform the office of absence.



Punctuality:

It's incredibly important to get the children to school on time. We expect 97% + for all children.



This week's winner is St James the Great class with 100%! Well done.

Social Media:

Just to remind you, follow us on:



St Winifred's Catholic Primary School



St_winifreds_lee



@stwinifredslee

Scroll onto the next page for the book reviews from St Francis of Assisi class.

3 - Story, Treehouse

This book is about when two boys tried to write a book but crazy things keep on happening to them. Terry keeps on buying See monkey and it did not go so very well the See monkey were all over his tree house. Terry had a popcorn machine. One of the See monkeys did a substantial jump on the popcorn machine the popcorn splashed at Terry.

I think that it is so funny that this happened in the book I enjoyed it so much this book should be for people who like funny books. This book makes me feel cool but not that because it makes me laugh a lot.

The book should rated 5 ★★☆☆ I just did that

5 Star book ★★☆☆

♥ Sarai ♥

DO TRY THIS AT HOME!

All about experiments! 😊

Do Try This at home is a book of science and experiments for kids to try. There are loads of fun ones like use a lemon to power a light, Make a sizz bang rocket, create a water will and much much more! There are explosions possible and mess likely. The guys names are Dan and Brad they are the people who show us the experiments.

I liked this book because it taught me something and it is FUN

Ratings: 4.5 stars

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Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter,

Kind regards
Claire Gillespie