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WINIFRED'S
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another busy half term and are all ready for a little rest.

Notes for your diary

All children return to school on Monday 4th June

21st June – Secondary Transfer meeting for year 5 parents and carers

Events this week

On Tuesday, all our Reception pupils went to Greenwich Planetarium to learn about space and they had a great afternoon in Greenwich Park.

Today we had a wonderful celebration Mass, in thanks giving for our school. It was lovely to see so many of you and we also had lots of visitors who have been instrumental in the development of our beautiful learning environment. Our pupils are having parties in their classrooms this afternoon to celebrate this milestone for our school.

St. Winifred's RC Primary June Screen Challenge

This week children were told in assembly all about a special challenge we are setting them.

The challenge is called 'My only screen is sunscreen', and will involve the children trying not to use screens of any kind for as many days in June as possible (the only allowable exceptions will be during school time and homework time). The rules of the challenge will be clearly explained in a pack that each child will receive.

The concept is not to ban the use of screens, but to encourage children to voluntarily replace the use of screens with something more beneficial or interesting - the packs will include lots of suggestions for alternative activities. Children will of course have free choice here and it will be up to them how many days they can go screen free!

The Challenge pack will include a sponsorship calendar for June. The children can colour in each day they are screen free. We suggest 20p for a week day, 50p for a Saturday or a Sunday, but amounts will be left to the sponsor's discretion.



We hope you will support us in this challenge, it may lead to some beneficial changes in lifestyle for some children, and we hope to raise money from the sponsorship which we will be donating to the NSPCC. After half term the NSPCC will be coming to school to lead assemblies for all our pupils and to run workshops for all our Year 5 and 6 pupils. We will also be asking the children to think of other creative ways we can raise money to support this very worthwhile charity.

Packed Lunches

We are striving to encourage healthy eating in our school and have reviewed our Packed Lunch policy. Please note that children are not allowed to have crisps or fruit strings. Please see this link to read our policy:

<http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/parents/dinner-time/packed-lunch-policy/>

Late Arrival at school

I am very concerned about the number of children arriving after the bell rings each morning. This has increased greatly since January. I feel that this is probably due to the gate being open until 9.00 for our younger pupils. School begins at 8.45 for all pupils from Year 1 to Year 6. Pupils arriving after this time are late. From 4th June, the main gates will be locked at 8.50 and pupils who are late will have to report to the school office. Bicycles and scooters will have to be stored in the front storage area from this time. Parents and carers will not be allowed through the gate after this time.

Nursery and Reception pupils will be allowed access through main front door of the Early Years building from 8.50 until 9.00. After this time they must be brought to the main office and will receive a late mark.

It is really important that children are enabled to arrive on time for their learning each day. Please show your child that you value their education by getting them in on time every day.

Dinner money year 3 to 6

Meals for 4th June to 20th July will be £77.00 or £2.20 per day/£11 per week. This should be paid either weekly or in advance.

If your child is in year 6, please contact Jill in the school office so she can check if you have any credits.

Beckenham Place Park

Please follow this link to read about activities, either free or minimal cost, at Beckenham Place Park during May half term: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Outdoors-half-term-activities-in-Beckenham-Place-Park.pdf>

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

First Communion Programme 2017/18

The next session will be on Saturday 9th June. The children will be in the church and the parents in the hall, both at 10:00am . Please do arrive before 10:00am so that the sessions can start and finish on time; teas and coffees will be available in the hall from 9:45am.

We will going over logistics for the actual 1st Communions, boys ties (if not already given out by then) , seating, etc. as well as the Mass of Celebration. If time allows we can also go over or expand upon previous sessions if you have any particular questions.

Events organised by Parents & Friends

Volunteers required: Summer School Disco Friday 8th June

The DJ is booked and the stage is set for the summer school disco will be held on Friday 8th June in the main hall; Infants: 4:30pm - 5:45pm (Reception to year 2); Juniors: 6:15 - 7:30pm (Year 3 to year 6). Thank you to those who have so far volunteered. Without volunteer helpers the event can't go ahead so we need your help for the event - please let us know at stwinifredsfriends12@gmail.com if you are able to help and at which disco you would like to help at.

*** Money, money, money – just say, yes!***

Do you want to help raise money for the school with just one email? Peter James is sponsoring the summer fair again this year and will be donating £20 per advertising board. All you have to do is email the Friends at stwinifredsfriends12@gmail.com and say, yes! to having a board outside your house. Ask your friends, family and neighbours to do the same and you will have helped us reach our target of 100 boards which would raise a huge £2000 for the school. Thank you to all those so far who have said yes – at last count it was just over 30 so almost 70 more spaces to fill.

Boards will go up from Friday 15th June and will be taken down again on Friday 27th July.

Attendance & Punctuality for this week

Total: 76 children who arrived late for their learning this week.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>
Reception C	98%	1	Year 2CL	98%	3	Year 4T	93%	9
Reception B	96%	9	Year 2FM	96%	1	Year 4L	98%	5
Year 1 A	99%	11	Year 3U	95%	1	Year 5K	99%	5
Year 1 D	98%	8	Year 3A	99%	2	Year 5/6F	95%	15
						Year 6M	96%	6

Thank you for all your support and positive feedback, this makes a huge difference. Have a lovely half term and enjoy the sunshine.

Margaret Hanrahan