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Dear Parents and Carers,

Events this week

Year 6 returned from school journey to the Isle of Wight on Monday. They were very tired but told me they had a wonderful time.

On Wednesday, year 4 went on a really exciting visit to London Zoo. They took part in a workshop on "Discover Teeth and Feeding" and loved visiting all the animals.

Also on Wednesday, 6M took part in a really inspiring 'Junk Jewellery' workshop at Lewisham Library and Dance Students came to our school and ran a show case performance. The children absolutely loved this.

On Thursday, our Nursery pupils went to Stanhill Farm to pick delicious strawberries and have a very exciting train ride.

Today, our year 3 pupils went to see the BBC Ten Piece Concert at the Barbican.

On Thursday, presenters from the NSPCC came back to our school to run workshops on personal safety for all our year 5 and 6 pupils.

Today, 'Childnet' came and ran an Internet session for parents and carers. This was not as well attended as our usual evening sessions, so we will run an evening session next year instead.

All of our pupils from year 2,4,5 and 6 took part in internet safety workshops today. Internet safety is an extremely important part of our curriculum and these sessions really support us in embedding vital messages about keeping safe on line and accessing appropriate materials. We provide lots of information on our website regarding Internet safety and we will update this following today's sessions. Please have a look at this if you didn't manage to make our meeting.

Notes for your diary

5th July –New date for Secondary Transfer meeting for year 5 parents and carers

27th June – Sports Day

Years 3 to 5 - morning from 9.15 am

Nursery, Reception, Years 1 – 2 afternoon from 1.30pm

Parents and carers are invited to their child's event/s

14th June- Family Fun Day

Unfortunately we had to cancel our year 5 secondary transfer meeting at very short notice last night because our presenter suddenly became unwell. We are sorry about this but she has rescheduled for Thursday 5th July at 6.30.

Sports Day 27th June

This year, our Sports Day events will take place in our playground areas and will be organised by our Year 6 pupils.

Events for Years 3 to 5 will take place in the morning from about 9.15. Events for the rest of our pupils will be held in the afternoon from 1.30. You are invited to join us for child's events. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit on that day. We will send more details nearer to this time.

St. Winifred's RC Primary June Screen Challenge

I have been absolutely amazed by the response to this initiative! Lots of families have told me that they have radically reduced their screen time and are playing more games together, going to the park, creating with Lego, cooking and taking part in sports or art activities. Thank you so much for taking up this challenge it would be great if it could carry on beyond June. If you have not started yet – it is never too late! Please see details below:

'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.'

29th June – Feast of St Peter and St Paul

We will not be taking the children to church on this day but will keep the registers open for any pupil attending a service with his/her family.

Manor House Gardens Summer Festival

Free community Festival tomorrow Saturday 23rd June at Manor House Gardens from 12pm – 8pm. Look out for our letter 'G' !

Woodlands Farm Shooters Hill – South London Wool and Textile Festival – 30th June and 1st July

This community event will be taking part this year for the first time and should be great family days out. There will be lots of art and crafts activities as well as lots of artists exhibiting their work. Our school will be displaying lots of textile work created by our children so make sure you look out for this in the café area. Please see this link for further details. <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/South-East-London-Wool-and-Textile-Festival-A3-Poster-V2.pdf>

The Daily Mile

This week all our children have been having a go at the Daily Mile. Many are finding it tough but we are encouraging them to pace themselves rather than racing. The aim is more about a daily 15m of exercise rather than completing a mile, although many are able to do this already.

We have decided to introduce this initiative in our school to support the physical and emotional well-being of our pupils. This means that all classes will take part in an additional exercise session each day which will involve the children running, jogging or walking circuits of our playground areas. This will take about 15m each day at different times for each class.

The Daily Mile has numerous benefits for...

Children's health:

- ✔ Children become more aware of their health and the need to take responsibility for it
- ✔ Improves body composition – bone density, muscle strength and cardiovascular health
- ✔ Helps children achieve and maintain a healthy weight
- ✔ Individual medical conditions, such as Diabetes and Asthma, can be helped.
- ✔ Overall balance, gross and fine motor skills are enhanced.

Children's wellbeing:

- ✔ It's 100% inclusive and no-one is left behind – every child succeeds
- ✔ It's not a race or competition – there is no sense of failure
- ✔ Children enjoy it – having fun, in the fresh air with friends, and a sense of freedom
- ✔ Children enjoy the weather, seasons and nature
- ✔ Supports improvement in self-efficacy, satisfaction and happiness

We will be encouraging the children to get sponsorship for the number of daily miles they achieve during the first week (Sports week 25th – 29th June). Any money raised will be given to the NSPCC to support children in great need of help.

We hope to then continue the Daily Mile as an ongoing part of our school day.

You can Google to find out more about the Daily Mile

Questionnaire for Parents and Carers



The School Council also led assemblies for all classes about ensuring that our school is a happy place for everybody. They designed a pupil happiness survey which has been completed by all classes and these results are very positive.

In order to enable us to support your children as much as possible, we would really appreciate it if you could fill in our online questionnaire. This will help us to identify areas for development as well as to see areas which are working well. If you have concerns, it is really important that you let us have enough detail to enable us to make things better for your child. This survey was designed by our School Council.

Link to survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RMLVMC6>

Please also see the attached letter written by our school council regarding this. A hard copy can be found in your child's bag Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/school-concil-letter-happiness.pdf>

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

First Communion Programme 2017/18

First Communions – this weekend & rehearsals:

For children making their 1st Communion at the 6:30pm Mass on Saturday 23rd June the rehearsal is today, Friday 22nd at 6:30pm

For children making their 1st Communion at the 11:00am Mass on Sunday 24th the rehearsal is on tomorrow morning, Saturday 23rd at 10:00am (not 11:00 as in the original schedule)

Parents & children to attend rehearsals please.

Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes Lee

The chorus is seeking new members who want to sing and enjoy themselves! Please see the attached flyer for full details.

The OLOL Chorus Summer Concert will be on Sunday 15th July at 3pm in the Church and will be raising funds for Water Aid; helping to provide clean drinking water to many parts of the world.

All the pieces being performed have a connection with the theme of Water and Drink and trace musical styles from Elizabeth I to Elizabeth II and so includes something for all tastes. The concert will itself be an "Oasis" of calm from the wall to wall sport that weekend. There is no admission charge but a collection will be taken for our chosen charity.

The performance will be followed at 4pm by an afternoon tea refreshments for which a donation would be welcome.

This term we have been joined in the Chorus by a number of new members who are parents of children in St Winifred's and so please come and support them in their debut performance.

Message from The Friends

FAMILY FUN DAY - SATURDAY 14th July 12-3 - CAN YOU HELP?

Plans are well underway for St Winifred's "World Cup International" Family Fun Day. The Fun Day is an incredible celebration of our school community and offers a chance for parents and friends of the school to come together to share an event, there will a BBQ, lots of fun activities for the children, as well as a bar and entertainment.

To make this happen we need your help.

Can you....

1. Offer an hour and a half of your time to volunteer for any of these stalls and have some fun whilst supporting our school:

The BBQ, drinks tables, cakes, bottle tombola, bouncy castle, face painting, glitter tattoos, hook a duck, human fruit machine (and more! Ideas welcome)

2. Bake? Could you make us a cake or biscuits?

3. Make us a buffet dish? Do you have a speciality dish (World Cup countries particularly welcome!) or salad you could offer?

Or if you have any ideas or want to get involved further in the fun day - please let us know by email, in the playground or through your class rep stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com

THANK YOU!

Attendance & Punctuality for this week

Total: 36 children who arrived late for their learning this week. Congratulations to Reception C and 5/6F with no late children.

<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	87%	0	Year 2CL	90	3	Year 4T	99%	1
Reception B	94%	6	Year 2FM	99%	2	Year 4L	99%	5
Year 1 A	99%	7	Year 3U	94%	1	Year 5K	98%	2
Year 1 D	97%	5	Year 3A	99%	3	Year 5/6F	99%	0
						Year 6M	94%	1

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