



7th July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Family Fun Day – This SATURDAY 8th July at 3pm



Please come along with your family and friends and support the school!

The fair will take place at the later time of 3pm this year to allow the Friends to get everything ready for you and to avoid clashing with weekend clubs and activities!

Entry is £2 for adults and £1 for children 3+

Family ticket available £5 for 2 adults and up to 4 children

This year the fair will be cash free, this allows our events to be more sustainable. Please download the SUM UP PAY APP ahead of the fair to make transactions easier <https://www.sumup.com/en-gb/pay/>. There is no charge to use this service/app and the Friends are not charged any commission on payments made through Sum Up! Feedback from the Xmas Fair was that the system works better through the app. Apple and Google pay are accepted through the app too.

We will not be selling water at the fair as we are trying to reduce our plastic waste and impact on the environment Bring a water bottle and fill up with water or squash for free! Soft drinks, beer, alcohol free beer and Aperol Spritz can be purchased from the bar!

Hot dogs, buffet plates, cakes, ice creams and sweets will all be available on the day!

Plenty of activities for all big and small including a bouncy castle, football game, hook a duck, and our famous bottle tombola!

We are still accepting donations of bottles and sweetie cones. Donations of buffet food and cakes are also greatly received on the day - just drop them off in the morning to the playground/staff room if you can or when you arrive for the fair!

St Winifred's Summer Concert

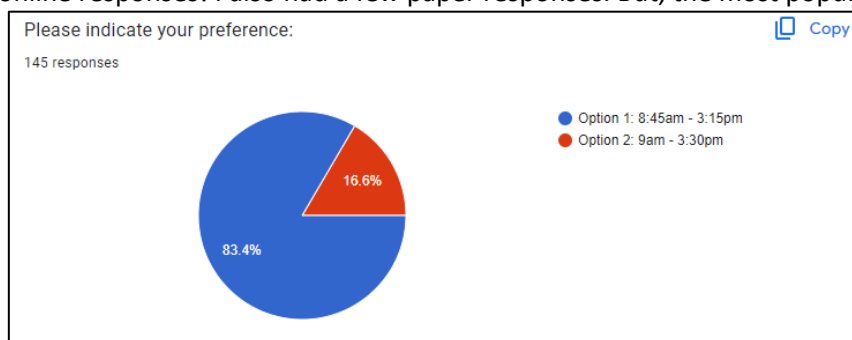
A huge thank you to Mr Howell, Ms Killick, the music teachers and all the children for the wonderful Summer Concert last Friday. It was such a fantastic event. The children and staff worked incredibly hard to prepare for it. Thank you again to all the parents and carers who attended, we hope you too enjoyed it as much as we did!



July
8 th : Summer Fair – Family Fun Day
11 th : Reception Greenwich Cinema
10 th -14 th : London Rivers Week
18 th : Leavers Production
19 th : Leavers BBQ
20 th : Leavers' Mass 9:30am
21 st : End of Term

Length of School Day Consultation:

Wow! I have had 145 online responses! I also had a few paper responses. But, the most popular outcome is clear.



As of September, option 1 will be the times of the school day:

Option	Gate Open	EYFS	Gate Open	KS1 & 2
1	8:40	8:45-3:15	8:35	8:45-3:15

Parent / Carer End of term Survey

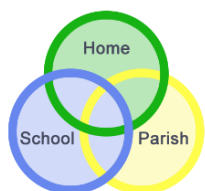
Please find here the [link for the parent / carer survey for the Summer term](#). I am, as always, very keen to know what is in your opinion going well and what could be better. I am always very grateful for the responses I have received. I do take all the comments on board and as a school we are committed to ensuring that the school serves all the children and their families well. Please find attached a word version of the same survey if you would prefer to complete it that way.



Industrial Action

Thank you to all of you, who have shown so much support and understand during this period of industrial action. The teachers did not take the decision to strike lightly. Let's hope that the government listen to teachers' concerns and are able to come to an agreement with the unions soon.

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.

July
12 th : Early Years
20 th : Year 6 Leavers: Whole School

Healthy Living Programme

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust have developed an award winning free healthy lifestyle programme in collaboration with members of local African and Caribbean communities. This is for people who live in or are registered with a GP in Lewisham Borough. See the attached flyer to register.

Our Lady of Lourdes events

Sunday Coffee Morning

The Justice & Peace Group will be running a Cake Sale on Sunday 9th July after 9:00am mass in the church hall and will be serving coffees & teas too.

Please pop in and enjoy some cake, a drink, a chat and some fellowship time with your friends and others in our parish, find out about the work the group do in our community, as well as assisting in raising funds for the group.

OLOL Community chorus

The Chorus would like to thank the parishioners and many others for attending their performance on Sunday. They also wanted to remind you of the social evening next Monday 10th July in the hall at 8-00pm. This is an end of term get together but also an opportunity to bring along any friends, family and any others in the parish and school communities who may be interested in the Chorus. There will be a chance for informal chats with anyone interested - and maybe even learn and sing a simple song if there are any who are still hesitant!!

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.

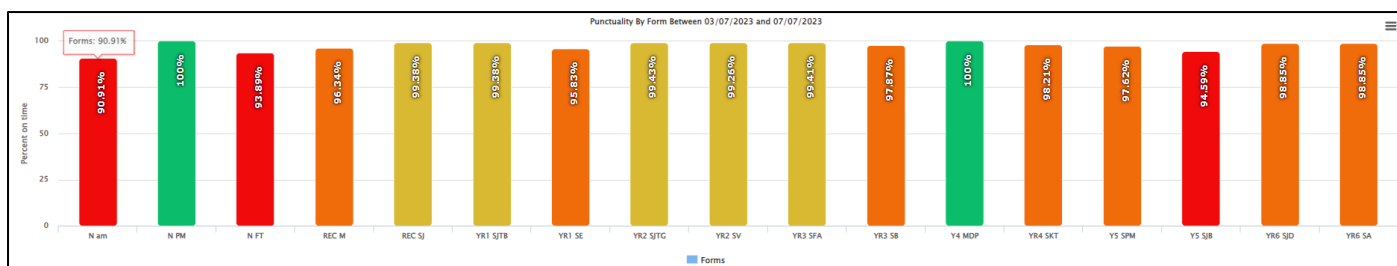
Parent App:

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. Thank you!



This week's winner is St Martin with 100%! Closely followed by St Joseph, John the Baptist, St James the Great, St Veronica and St Francis, all with 99%! A great week for many!

Social Media:

Just to remind you, follow us on:



St Winifred's Catholic Primary School



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Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter,

See you on Saturday,

Kind regards

Claire Gillespie