

Newsletter No 7

21st October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we had many children on educational visits. Year 3 went to the Bank of England, Year 2 to St Paul's Cathedral and Year 4 to the Tower of London. We even had a team of four children represent the school in a bowling competition against 21 other schools and they came third. Congratulations to Dayana, Elia, Angelo and Grace on their bronze medals!

We enjoyed another two assemblies one led by St Paul Miki class on the life of St Paul Miki. The other by the St Winifred's choir. Ms Killick rehearses with the choir every Wednesday after school and this was their first ever performance. During Black History Month, they have been learning a Congolese round and one from Cameroon, which they shared with us in the assembly. Ms Killick even had audience participation, she directed all of Key Stage 2 into three groups and we joined in with the choir. It was fantastic!

Harvest Donations, A message from the parish:

"Ali Ryan here from the Justice and Peace group of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. What a fabulous donation from the Families of St Winifred's to the Lewisham Food Bank following your Harvest Service.

Although Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL) parish church itself does not run a food bank you may be aware that the Justice and Peace group hold a monthly collection in the church carpark on the first Saturday of the month called 'Fill out Boots', where produce donated and filled into our car boots on that day are taken to the Lewisham Food Bank's sorting and distribution Hub at The Hope Centre in Forest Hill.



The [Hope Centre Lewisham Food Bank](#) distribute food donated to them to different centres across Lewisham borough ready for families in need to collect. I attach a couple of photos of your food donations arriving at Lewisham Food Bank distribution centre at the Hope Centre.

1 in 5 in the UK are below the poverty line. So, a very big thankyou to everyone. Lewisham Food Bank were very grateful to St Winifred's Catholic Primary School on behalf of all those in need who use their service."

October Half Term

31st: Autumn 2 Term Starts

November

1st: All saints Day

2nd: St John B trip to Pizza Express

3rd: **St Winifred's Day – Own Clothes Day**

11th: Remembrance Day

14th-18th: Anti-Bullying Week

21st-25th: Road Safety Week

23rd: Dr Bike in school

25th: Year 6 – Unicorn Theatre- Pinocchio

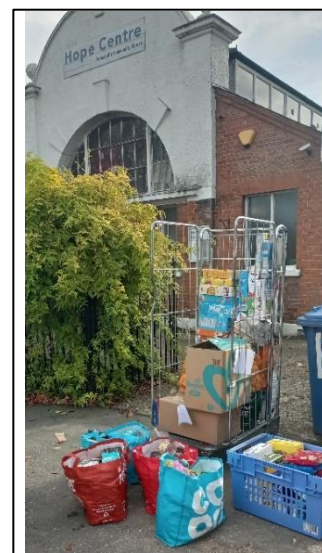
29th: Year 3 – Unicorn Theatre - Pinocchio

December

1st: Year 5 – Unicorn Theatre - Pinocchio

2nd: EYs & KS1 Panto in school – Aladdin

14th: Year 4 – Unicorn Theatre- Pinocchio





Golden Achievers

Today, we did not have Merit assembly, we celebrated our first Golden Achiever assembly of the year. One child from every class was chosen by their teacher to be celebrated for their efforts and achievements during this half term. The reasons why these children were shared with the whole school community and their photo will be displayed on the 'Golden Achievers' display. Well done to all the children chosen!

Class	Name	Reason
St Peter	Timilehin Bankole-Allibay	For always being cheerful and kind
St Mary	Ruby Chandler	For being such a kind friend and is always ready to learn.
St Joseph	Leone Palladino	For his great positive and helpful nature.
St Elizabeth	Lottie hatch	For being an excellent learner and leading the St Winifred's Way
St John B.	Flavia Dascalu	For always putting a great amount of effort into her learning. Excellent participation on the carpet, trying her best at the desks and always being kind and polite.
St James	Rosa Roulland-Smith	For making a super start, always smiling and trying her best
St Veronica	Sian Sharpe	For a fantastic first half-term! Keep up your hard work!
St Francis	Sarai Smith	For consistently excellent behaviour in class and around the school.
St Bernadette	Laith Attar	For working very hard across all his subjects and showing resilience in the effort he puts in where he finds the work challenging.
St Kateri	Angelo Freire Caiza	For superb hard work with his reading
St Martin	Conrad Plantos	For being an outstanding role model, always working hard. being kind and polite.
St Paul M	Raffaella Camelia	For returning to school with boundless energy and enthusiasm and for showing great progress in her work, for never giving up and for going above and beyond.
St Josephine	Samuel Onogwu	For showing an excellent attitude to his learning and improved behaviour in class.
St Juan D	Rachel Olawumi	For always being an outstanding member of our school community: kind, fun, hardworking and an enthusiastic learner.
St Alphonsa	Daniel Williams	Great focus in class and consistent, steady progress. Well done.



Schools Street

After half term, Newstead Road will become a School Street. The School Street will restrict vehicles without an exemption from entering Newstead Road from its junction with Parkcroft Road to Birch Grove and whole length of Birch Grove.

The timed restriction will be in place from 8:15-9:15am and 2:45-3:45pm and will restrict access to all vehicles, except those with an exemption permit, during the times of enforcement. Enforcement is carried out Monday to Friday, term time only.

St Winifred's Day

On Thursday 3rd November we will be celebrating our feast day. This will be an opportunity to celebrate our patron saint and our school. We invite all the children to dress in their own clothes on this day, for a day of festivities.

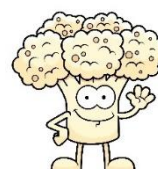


Ms Underwood Maternity

Ms Underwood started her maternity leave this week. We wish her and all of her family all the best as they await their new arrival. Ms Montes Alvarez will teach St Joseph class on a Monday and Ms Tyler will teach St Francis class on a Friday.

Cauliflower Cards

Thank you to everyone who purchased an item with their child's Christmas artwork. The school will receive £294 in commission. We will use this money for playground equipment for all the children to enjoy at playtimes. The art work has been collected, the cards will be delivered to us at the beginning of December.



Open Evenings

I do hope you found the meetings with your child's class teacher valuable. Thank you to everyone for attending. If you have not been able to meet with your class teacher, please arrange a meeting for after half term.

St Kateri Class: Tuesday 1st and Thursday 3rd November (After half term)

St Josephine Class: Tuesday 1st November (Rearranged)

Friends of St Winifred's

Our cake sale raised £302.68 for the school! A huge thanks to everyone who donated cakes, sold cakes, bought cakes or even bought back their own cakes! It was lovely to see the school community enjoying all the sweet treats in the playground. The Friends are very grateful for the amazing support received for this event, we could not do any of this without you all - thank you!

Next up is our Christmas Event! We look forward to welcoming you for mulled wine, mince pies, Christmas cheer and maybe even a visit from the big man himself! If you have any ideas or would like to get involved in our Christmas event planning then please let us know at stwinifredsfriends12@gmail.com. In particular we are looking for raffle prizes so do get in touch if you can help with this or would like to donate.

We wish you a lovely half term break, The Friends

After School Clubs:

If your child is attending a before or after school club, all fees are now available on parent pay for the term.

Half Term Family Fun Day: Migration Museum

Please see the attached flyer from the Migration Museum

Reception 2023:

If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2023 (born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019) or know someone who does, I hope that St Winifred's is your first choice! We will be hosting a series of open days until the application deadline – 15th January 2023. If you would like to book a place on one of the open days, please contact the school office.

During the School Day		After School
9:15am – 10am	2pm – 2:45pm	4pm
Tuesday 22 nd November Thursday 15 th December	Tuesday 8 th November Thursday 1 st December Wednesday 4 th January	Wednesday 2 nd November Thursday 17 th November Wednesday 7 th December Monday 9 th January

[Applications for Reception Class](#) places for September 2023 can now be made on line.

Volunteers:

Now that we are able to welcome more people into school, it would be fantastic to increase the numbers of volunteers. 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.

Secondary School Admissions (Year 6):

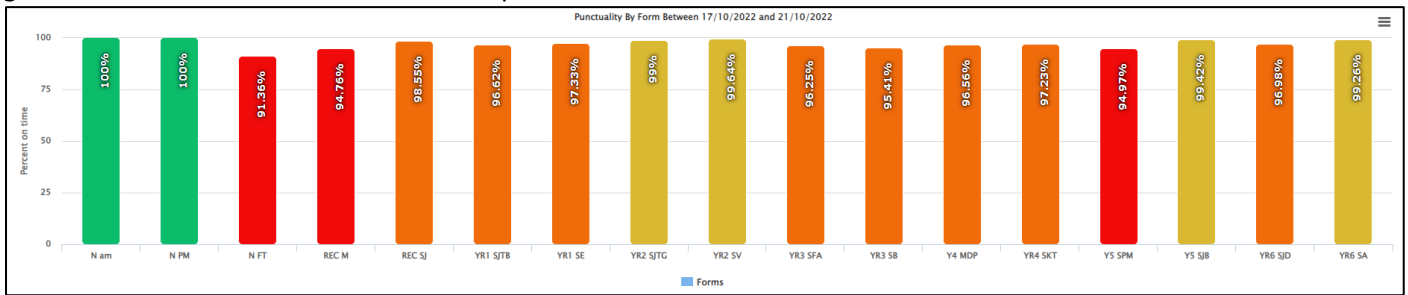
You can apply for a secondary school place to start September 2023. The deadline for secondary school applications is **Monday 31 October 2022**. [Read about school admissions](#) on the Lewisham website and [sign up to receive weekly emails about applying for a secondary school place](#). If you need any help with the online application please do contact the school.

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:

Punctuality is being greatly affected by the roadworks on the south circular. I am hopeful that when they finish at the end of October (please God) that punctuality will improve. Please remember that the Schools Street is commencing after half term, this too will affect how you are able to get your child to school on time. It's incredibly important to get the children to school on time. We expect 97% + for all children.



This week's winners are St James the Great, Saint Veronica, St Josephine and St Alphonsa, all with 99%+!

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.



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 the newsletter.

Wishing you all a happy half term.

Claire Gillespie