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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

It was lovely to see all the children settle back into school routines so quickly on Monday. They seem to have all had a good rest after a very busy autumn term and are ready for all the exciting challenges of the term ahead.

This half term we are focusing on Forgiveness as a

key value. We are supporting our pupils in understanding what it means to forgive and how this is central to our faith. Please talk to your child about this and help them in this area. Each week we focus on the Gospel readings for the coming weekend. Please see the attached Wednesday Word so that you can discuss this with your child and support their learning in this area.

Wednesday Word

Link for the Wednesday Word: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/The-Wednesday-Word.pdf>

On Thursday, all our Year 6 pupils took part in Hate Crime workshops which focused particularly on how people with severe learning difficulties are treated. The children were very moved by these sessions and told me that it really made them think about how others should be treated.

As we are beginning a new year we are targeting some areas for improvement throughout the school. Please support us in ensuring that policies are adhered to so that we can make sure there is consistency for everyone.

Lateness: Please ensure that your child is in school ready to line up with their class in the playground each morning.

Packed Lunches: If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please ensure that it complies with our school policy. You will find this in the Parents' information section on our website Link:

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

Dates for your diary

15th January - Deadline for Reception September 2020 application

3rd – 7th February - Maths week –

4th February Maths open morning – KS2

5th February Maths open morning EYFS and KS1

10th & 12th March Parent/ Teacher Meetings both sites



Haircuts: Please ensure that your child does not have an 'Extreme hair cut' or one involving lines/patterns being shaved. Please see our school policy in the Parents' information section on our website Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/parents/uniform/> The beginning of the school summer holiday is a good time for such hair styles as they can be grown out before returning to school.

All long hair must be tied back.

Uniform: Please ensure that your child adheres to our uniform policy- jewellery and nail varnish are not allowed.

PE Kits: Please ensure that your child brings their PE kits to school (Yr. 1 – 6)

Thank you for the tremendous level of support that you always give to the school, this makes a huge difference and enables us to have a wonderful community.

Please park with consideration for others.

Please read the following letter which has been received this morning from Clarion Housing:

"I work for Clarion Housing the landlord of the Newstead estate, which is the housing estate adjacent to your school. Unfortunately our residents are experiencing problems with parents of your pupils parking on our land when they drop off and pick up their children.

I'm aware this problem has been raised with your Head previously but unfortunately the problem continues.

Therefore I'll be instructing our parking contractor to patrol the site at drop off and pick up times and to ticket any vehicle that doesn't have a parking permit.

Could you please pass this email onto your Head.

If they'd like to discuss this further they're welcome to either email or call me.

Best regards

Matthew Smith – Neighbourhood Response Manager Clarion Housing"

School Parents Anti-idling awareness project

Please see the following link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/School-parents-Anti-idling-awareness-project-GR.pdf>

Applying to start primary school for September 2020

Applications for Reception Class places for September 2020 can now be made on line. Please follow this link: <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-primary-school>

The deadline for applying for a primary school place is 15 January 2020

2020 – 2021 Holiday dates

An email has already been sent to you regarding the 2020 – 2021 holiday dates. The link on our web site is: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/parents/term-dates/>

999 Club

Please see the following letter we have received from the 999 Club.

Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/999-Club.pdf>

Instrument Lessons (Years 3 – 6)

These will start during the week beginning 13th January.

There are places available for flute and places available on the waiting list for violin and brass lessons. If your child is interested please let Sally in the office know.

School Meals Nursery (full time), years 3 – 6

The cost of school meals for the next half term is £69/£2.30 per day/£11.50 per week – from 6th January – 14th February

This is payable via ParentPay in advance half termly or weekly, but not in arrears. If you are experiencing difficulties please come and talk to us so we can support you.

Attendance for this week

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Reception A	89%	Year 3F	98%
Reception CO	95%	Year 4F	99%
Year 1LO	87%	Year 4C	97%
Year 1UB	97%	Year 5K	98%
Year 2A	96%	Year 5G	96%
Year 2M	92%	Year 6F	96%
Year 3T	98%	Year 6M	91%

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

Uniformed sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scout, Guides and Brownies)

This Sunday (12th January) is church parade at the 9:00m Mass, for 21st Lewisham North beavers, cubs and scouts and 1st Lee South Guides and Brownies, who should meet in the church at 8.45. After the Mass, the guides will be doing coffee morning in the hall.

1st Holy Communion programme – The next meeting is on Saturday 18th January. It is for the children only and they should meet in the church for a 10:00am start- they will be covering chapter 3.

The Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes - The Chorus rehearsals for the spring term commence at 8pm in the church on Monday 13th January. Several people showed an interest in joining the Chorus following the Christmas concert and carol singing in the pubs; it would be lovely to meet you again at the rehearsal along with anyone else who wants to come along. Of course, we also look forward to welcoming back all our present and any past members. For the spring term we always perform a major work and this year we shall be presenting Faure's Requiem, along with two or three other well-known and appropriate pieces. Please do not feel intimidated with such a grand sounding work if you have never sung in a choir before as we all learn together week by week in small sections. There are no auditions and no requirement to read or understand music; its more about gaining enjoyment from singing.

Coffee morning after Sunday 9:00am Mass

Whether you attend the 9:00am Mass or turn up early for the 11:00am Mass on Sundays, please do come and in and join us in the church hall after the 9:00am Mass for tea, coffee, biscuits, squash and a chat. This Sunday, 12th January, coffee morning will be run by the guides.

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan

