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WINIFRED'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is half term again already and can you believe that we are half way through the school year?

Events this week

We have been delighted to welcome a group of students from China and their teachers.

They have spent a whole week with us and worked in classes across the school. This has been a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to develop their understanding of other cultures and traditions.

On Tuesday, our Reception classes went to the Planetarium at the Royal Observatory to see a space show called Ted's space adventure. The children really loved this experience.

On Wednesday, Year 4 classes visited the Catford and Bromley Synagogue to learn about the Jewish faith as part of our religious education focus this term.

On Thursday, 3F visited the National Maritime Museum to study Polar Explorers and Year 5 visited the British Museum for a talk and exhibition on Greek Myths.

Notes for your diary

INSET Day Monday 25th February

Children back to school Tuesday 26th February

27th February 7pm – 8pm Friends EGM

5th March Parent/carer and teacher meetings 3.30 – 6pm

6th March Parent/carer and teacher meetings 4.30 – 7pm

World Book Day 7th March

Maths Week 18th – 22nd March

20th March - Open morning for parents/carers of pupils from Nursery to Year 2 – to see maths in action in these classes drop off until 10 am

19th March - Evening of maths activities for parents/carers of pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 – from 6.30 – 7.30

World Book Day

7th March is World Book Day. We will be taking part by allowing the children to dress up as a book character. Examples include, Willy Wonka, Matilda, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Cat in the hat, Angelina Ballerina, Gangster granny, Mr Bump, Hetty Feather or Goldilocks.

We will also be having a Great St Winifred's Book Swap, where children can bring in books at home that are no longer wanted to swap for other books.

We look forward to seeing your costumes!

Open Evenings

Reception classes – Year 6

Tuesday 5th March - 3.30 – 6pm

Wednesday 6th March – 4.30 – 7 pm

Nursery meetings will be held from 3.15pm to 5.55pm on Wednesday 6th March and from 3.15pm to 4.55pm on Thursday 7th March.

Meetings for 4CW will be held Tuesday 5th March from 3.20 until 4.50pm, Wednesday 3.20 until 4.50pm, Thursday 3.20 until 4.50pm.

You can sign up for your preferred time on the forms in the reception area at the back of the office inside the double doors from Tuesday 26th February. If you cannot pop in to sign up, then call the school office after 9.30am and before 2.45pm and we will do our best to accommodate you.

You can make an appointment for a 10 minute discussion with your child's teacher. You will also be able to spend time looking at your child's work before your appointment if you arrive a bit earlier.

In order to ensure you don't have to wait, teachers will use timers. It is really important that appointments do not overrun but if you need more time then you are welcome to arrange a follow up meeting.

There will be crèche facilities during these meetings.

The Friends of St Winifred's

Last week, we sent out information to you regarding a special meeting being held on 27th February. This is an Extraordinary General Meeting to see if we can get enough committee members to ensure that decisions are made in the correct manner.

This is an amazing organisation run by really busy parents to help our school community. They do so much to unite our community as well as to raise money to enrich the provision for our pupils. Sometimes they really struggle to organise events because they need more members and volunteers. Please think about whether you might be able to support this group by becoming a committee member or a Flexible. This is a wonderful opportunity to make friends and really get involved in the life of the school community. It would be great if you could come along to the meeting to find out what is involved. There will be refreshments and we will provide a crèche if this would make it easier for you to attend. [Please let us know if you would like a crèche by filling in the attached slip and returning it to the school office.](#) Please see below, in the Friends section for more information.

School Meals

Please ensure that you are up to date with this half term meals payments.

Next half term from 26th February until 5th April will be £63.80 (£2.20 per day £11 per week). Any sick days or trips will not be charged, so if you have paid in advance a credit would be applied.

Meals payments are payable either weekly or in advance but not in arrears.

If you believe you have credits please contact the office.

Lewisham Music Newsletter

February Newsletter link: <https://mailchi.mp/a471ff20dab2/lewisham-music-newsletter-feb2019?e=cd1b53fba5>

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

1st Communion Programme 2018/19 – Our Lady of Lourdes Lee

The next session will be on Saturday 2nd March 2019, for the children in the church and for 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 be covering chapter 9 “Greatest Gift”.

Message from the Friends

Family Bingo Night - FRIDAY 1st MARCH

Doors open at 6pm for a 6.15pm start. Entry £1 for adults, 50p for children. The bar will be open serving a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks, sweet and savoury snacks and we have some fabulous prizes for you to win! We can never have too many prizes, so if you have anything you would like to donate, please leave it with the office or get in touch with the Friends and we can collect locally. Thank you!

Cake sale - THANK YOU!

We were once again overwhelmed by your generosity for the cake sale this term. There were some amazing cakes donated and so many that every child got two cakes for their £1! The sale raised an impressive £370 for the school so THANK YOU!!!

THE FRIENDS RE-LAUNCH and EGM ***EVERYONE WELCOME*** 27th February 2019 at 7pm

Come and join us for the Friends re-launch at the EGM. Drinks are on us!

Attendance

Please support your child by ensuring they are in school before the bell is rung each morning. Lots of our pupils are arriving late every day and missing the beginning of their learning. All classes including Nursery and Reception are expected to start their school day at 8.45.

Class	Attendance	Late	Class	Attendance	Late
Reception C	94%	4	Year 3F	93%	1
Reception BC	98%	4	Year 4T	98%	3
Year 1A	91%	7	Year 4CW	98%	4
Year 1LC	83%	13	Year 5K	91%	9
Year 2A	94%	1	Year 5F	93%	4
Year 2M	91%	4	Year 6F	90%	3
Year 3W	98%	1	Year 6M	93%	4

Have a really lovely half term.

Margaret Hanrahan