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Dear Parents and Carers,

Don't forget to come to our Bingo Night

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 soft drinks, and sweet and savoury snacks. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes – there are some fantastic prizes so you are in for a treat! See you there!

Events this week

This week our Year 5 pupils have started working on the 'Safe Havens project'. This began with a special Collective worship led by Margaret Mizen for all our KS2 pupils. Margaret shared Jimmy's story with the

children and helped them to reflect on how we can all work to spread peace in our world. Year 5 pupils also had their first of 6 workshops focusing on helping them to be safe. Please follow this link:

<http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Universe-Christmas-edition-2128-12-18-page-52.pdf> to read a really interesting article in the 'Universe' which includes a lovely reference to one of our pupils.

All our Year 2 pupils had a great trip to the Horniman Museum to take part in a really interesting workshop about Africa.

3W went to visit Manor house library and had a lovely time in Manor House Gardens.

Momo

Many of you will already be aware of Momo, the sinister 'challenge' that is sometimes dubbed the 'suicide killer game' and has been heavily linked with apps such as Facebook, Whats App, You Tube in the past. This has now

Notes for your diary

Next week Parent/carer and teacher meetings - Please ensure you book your appointment

World Book Day 7th March - Come to school in costume

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

resurfaced on these apps and, most worryingly, is also on You Tube Kids: the disturbing Momo character has appeared in the middle of popular videos for children (including 'unboxing videos', 'surprise eggs; and how to play Minecraft and Fortnite videos) followed by clips of violence and other inappropriate images and/or directions to take harmful actions or make contact with 'Momo' sharing their personal details.

I have attached a guide for your information produced by National Online Safety - Link:

<https://2j39y52a62gm1afygb3g1xbu-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/MOMO-Online-Safety-Guide-for-Parents-FEB-2019.pdf>

Parking Plea

I wanted to share with you this letter which I received this week from one of our neighbours.

'Dear Headmistress,

I would like to bring the following issue, that exists only during school term time and occurs at the time of the school run. Pupils' parents consistently park in front of the Newstead Road and Manor Lane resident's drive ways obstructing exit and entry to the property, regardless of parking restrictions or signs indicating a garage. Please find attached few photographic examples.

I address this issue to you as I believe that the school maintains a dialogue with your pupils' parents and could raise this problem to make them realise how their action can have negative consequence. They demonstrate a selfish attitude and a real lack of courtesy and consideration for the school's neighbourhood and if confronted are frequently openly aggressive. In the limitations of a school catchment area, parents should leave home earlier and walk. If they are obliged to drive, they should be law abiding and not transgress parking regulations as some of them do day after day.

I appreciate your time and action on this matter.'

I have been approached by a number of unhappy neighbours this week because their driveways are being blocked. I have also been approached by our local pre-school on the corner because cars have been parking in front of their doors and blocking their fire escape.

The most upsetting thing they all report is that when they ask our families to move vehicles, they regularly get an aggressive response, even when children are present.

Please treat our neighbours as you would like to be treated.

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 – 5.50 pm

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.

Meetings for 4T will be held on Monday 4th March from 3.30pm until 5.50 pm and Wednesday from 4.30 until 6.50pm

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. 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.

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

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

The next session will be tomorrow 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 session 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 - TONIGHT!!! 🎁🎁

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 soft drinks, and sweet and savoury snacks. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes - we had a late rush with some fantastic offerings so you are in for a treat! See you there!

Keeping it green: there will be recycling bins available on the night - please remember to recycle whatever you can on the night

🎉🎉 THE FRIENDS RE-LAUNCH and EGM 27th February 2019 🎉🎉

Thank you to everyone who came along to the EGM. It was great to see some new faces and we had some lively and interesting discussions. We have now re-launched with our new constitution and membership arrangements. If you missed the EGM, we will be sharing some of the details in due course but if you have any questions you can always contact us at stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com

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. I am really sorry to have to send out 76 letters today to urge families to ensure children arrive in school on time.

Class	Attendance	Late	Class	Attendance	Late
Reception C	95%	4	Year 3F	98%	0
Reception BC	94%	1	Year 4T	93%	3
Year 1A	91%	9	Year 4CW	98%	2
Year 1LC	98%	8	Year 5K	97%	3
Year 2A	96%	0	Year 5F	96%	7
Year 2M	94%	1	Year 6F	95%	2
Year 3W	92%	0	Year 6M	94%	1

Have a lovely weekend,

Margaret Hanrahan