

ST WINIFRED'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday, Year 6 visited the Museum of London as part of their topic 'Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age'. The trip focused on developing pupils' critical thinking

around materials and prehistoric technology, and encouraged them to compare and contrast the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages. The visit also included a workshop where the children had the opportunity to interact with real artefacts to imagine how people used them in a prehistoric village.

On Tuesday, 5G visited The Royal Academy of Arts for an exhibition, talk and workshop related to the Picasso and Paper Exhibition. Places on these workshops are very sought after so we were extremely lucky.

On Thursday, we had a wonderful celebration of World book day. Thank you so much for supporting this, the children looked amazing.

Today, 4C have gone on a really exciting environmental trip to Ringway Centre in Grove Park. They are studying the different habitats on site as well as the surrounding landscape, as part of their study into the water cycle in geography and habitats in science.

Our RE Inspection

We have just received our report and I am really proud to share this with you. This will be sent in a separate email following this newsletter. As you will see, RE inspections follow the same overall grades and development areas as OFSTED. We had very positive feedback from inspectors and they saw how we all work together to build such a wonderful school community. I would also like to share with you the lovely letter which we received from the director of Catholic education. Thank you for always supporting this in so many ways.

Corona Virus

A number of parents and carers have been asking me about our response to the Corona Virus. We are following all guidance from our Local Authority and Public Health England. We are encouraging everyone to follow hygiene guidelines. We have a very good team of cleaners who ensure guidelines are followed. We do have to nag pupils about flushing toilets and putting tissue paper in the bin or down the toilet. We would really appreciate your support

Dates for your diary

**10th & 12th March Parent/Carer and Teacher Meetings
Don't forget to sign up for your appointment.**

The school photographer will be here on Thursday 26th March.



in reinforcing this.

We are currently intending on going ahead with all planned educational visits but are paying very close attention to official advice. Please do not withdraw your child from any visits.

Please be assured that we will update straight away if you if we need to put any measures in place or if we are notified of any cases.

Swimathon for Cancer Research & Marie Curie

Ms Fitzgerald and Ms Killick will be taking part in a swimathon in aid of Cancer Research & Marie Curie between 27th and 29th March. I am amazed that it is possible to swim this far! If any of you wish to support these charities by donating on their 'JustGiving' page it would be greatly appreciated.

Link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/teresaandsarahswimagain>

Parent/Carer and Teacher Meetings

All classes

Tuesday 10th March – 4.30 – 7 pm

Thursday 12th March – 3.30 – 6 pm

You can sign up for your preferred time on the appointment sheets in the office reception area 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.

School Photographer

The school photographer will be here on Thursday 26th March. This will be for individual, siblings in school, twins and class photos of the children from Nursery to Year 6 which will take place during the school day. Please ensure that your child comes to school in full school uniform. If you would like a family group of your children with siblings not of school age taken, please come to the Main Hall from 8.30 am.

Wednesday Word

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

Attendance for this week

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Reception A	97%	Year 3F	97%
Reception CO	99%	Year 4F	99%
Year 1LO	100%	Year 4C	98%
Year 1UB	98%	Year 5K	95%
Year 2A	96%	Year 5G	99%
Year 2M	99%	Year 6F	97%
Year 3T	99%	Year 6M	97%

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

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 week, the Guides will be providing the refreshments.

Lenten Lunches – Sunday 1st March

As we are now in Lent we have resumed our very popular “Lenten Lunches” to raise funds for a variety of charitable causes. This week the Guides & Rangers will be providing the soups, breads and fruit for our community to raise funds for this year’s annual charity “Kenyan Project” and unit funds. Please do come along and support us from 12:00 midday in the church hall. All are welcome.

Thank you to those that attended last week’s lunch, raising approx. £125 which will go to CAFOD & the Chorus.

1st Holy Communion programme – The next meeting is on Saturday 28th March. It is for the children only and they should meet in the church for a 10:00am start. They will be covering Chapter 3 “Celebrating our rescue - reconciliation”.

The Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes. Please do save the date of Sunday 29th March at 4pm in the church for our next performance, where we shall be presenting Faure’s Requiem, along with two or three other well-known and appropriate pieces. The Chorus rehearsals continue at 8pm in the church on Monday 9th March.

The Friends of St Winifred’s – PTA

Easter Egg Hunt 31st March

We have the annual Easter Egg Hunt coming up on Tuesday 31st March.

We’re appealing to parents who might be working for a company that would like advertising in exchange for donating funds to buy Easter eggs for all the children at school.

This is a popular event that the children love and we couldn’t pull it off without help for all of you. Please get in touch with *Andrea* 07714622405 on *WhatsApp* or email us on stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com

See flyer Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/EASTER-EGG-HUNT-FLYER-2020.pdf>

Thank you so much, we appreciate all the help and funds we can get, big or small.

Easy Fundraising

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - you could be raising a free donation for our school? There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, the Disney Store, the Trainline, Sainsbury’s and many more! It doesn’t cost you a penny extra and is totally secure! It’s really simple.

All you have to do is head to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fostwinifredsllee and sign up for free and start shopping!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, The Friends of St Winifred’s - PTA

All profit made goes towards furthering the education of our children and building a strong and inclusive school community

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan

