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Dear Parents and Carers,

Sustainable transport

It is wonderful to see so many of our pupils using sustainable modes of transport for journeys to and from school. October is 'Walk, scoot or cycle to school month'. Our Travel Ambassadors will be counting sustainable journeys each day and best classes in upper and lower school will receive prizes at the end of the month. Best individual effort will also be rewarded in each class. Please support the environment by enabling your child to walk, scoot or cycle to school during this month. I have been encouraging children to wear helmets when cycling to school. We have a number of spare helmets which we can give to any child who needs one.

Harvest Festival

As a Right's Respecting School (RRS) we want to enhance understanding that all children have a right to nutritious food and a clean environment so they stay healthy (*article 24 of the UNCRC*).

13 million people live below the poverty line in the UK.

As part of our celebration for Harvest Festival this year, we will be collecting food for our local '**Helping Hands Foodbank**' at St Peter's Church which provides emergency food to local people in crisis.

We will also be collecting for the **Manna Centre**, as usual. This is a centre which provides meals for homeless people in London each day. A large amount of their food each year comes from donations at Harvest Festival. We will also be donating some items to families in need in our school community.

Each class will be collecting one food type (listed below) which is of most benefit to these great causes. We are asking each child to bring one food item to add to their class collection.

Notes for your diary

Friends meeting - Tuesday 2nd October from 6.30pm
Please come and find out how you can support during the next year

Harvest Festival Friday 12th October

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 **9.00am**

Years Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - **2.15 pm**

Parents and carers are invited to join us in our Main school hall for these services.



Donations of food can be brought into school from next week and the RRS reps will organise the collections for their class. If you would like to make a donation of food, please pick items from the list below.

6M	UHT Fruit Juice
6F	UHT Milk (1 litre)
5K	Toiletries (toothpaste, tooth brush, soap, shaving cream, shampoo)
5F	Sugar (500g bags)
4CW	Tinned Vegetables
4T	Pasta and pasta sauce
3W	Rice
3A	Tinned Meat
2M	Breakfast Cereals
2A	Tinned Fish
1A and 1D	Powdered milk
Reception	Tinned Vegetables
Nursery	Tea Bags

We will be having a service at 9.00 on Friday 12th October in the main School hall, for pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Please come and join us if you can, 5K will attend our service before going on their educational visit to Creekside. We will have a second service at 2.15 on the same day in the main school hall for pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Again, you are very welcome to join us for this event.

Music Mark

I am delighted to inform you that we have achieved the school 'Music Mark' in recognition of a commitment to providing high quality music education for all children and young people. We are extremely proud of this achievement as we are committed to providing an excellent music curriculum for all our pupils. Please note our new logo!

The Glendale League

The Glendale League starts on Saturday 13th of October on Blackheath.

Last year we entered four teams: Girls, Boys 4, Boys 5 and Boys 6, supervised by Mr Toynton and our Coach, Colleen Jenkins. We had great successes, with Year 5 as champions, and year 6 as runners-up!

This year Mr Toynton is unable to supervise teams due to family commitments, and so we are asking for volunteers to manage the one of the teams each week. The matches will be every week, but only every fortnight for each team, as only two of the teams will play each Saturday. So if a parent volunteered to manage the year 6 team for example, they would only be expected to supervise that team – once every two weeks. Ideally we need four parents to step up to the mark: one to run each team.

All other parents/carers are expected to stay with their children throughout. Therefore the 'volunteer' will only be responsible for managing the game and not the supervision of the children.

Have you got what it takes to be the next Gareth Southgate or Shelley Kerr?

If so please let the office know. You would not have to carry out any admin, as each week that would be done for you!

Unfortunately, if we don't get a volunteer for each team, then we won't be able to run that team. The commitment would be Saturday mornings 9.30am -12.00am on Blackheath. Each Volunteer would get a car park pass to park in Blackheath car park, which will make life easier!

Dinner money

Just a reminder that meals are required to be paid either weekly or in advance, not in arrears. Please ensure that you are up to date with meal payments. – Thank you

Mini Maestro Family Concerts

Please follow this link for more information: <http://www.lmaorchestra.com/mini-maestro>

Applying to start primary school 2018-19

Applications for Reception Class places for September 2019 can now be made on line. Link to our web site: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/admissions/>

If you live in the borough of Lewisham:

<https://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-primary-school/Pages/default.aspx>

If you live in the borough of Greenwich:

https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/info/200286/apply_for_a_school_place/458/apply_for_a_primary_school_place

If you live in the borough of Bromley:

https://www.bromley.gov.uk/info/13/primary_school_admissions/72/making_an_application_for_primary_school

Contact information Years 1 - 6

It is essential that we have up to date contact information for every child.

Over the next few weeks each child will receive a printed 'check form' to take home. Please sign and return these forms amending any information that is incorrect. Thank you.

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes Lee

A reminder that this term's rehearsals have restarted again on Monday evenings in the church at 8pm in preparation for our Christmas concert. It doesn't matter if you were not able to make the first couple of sessions as there is plenty of time to catch up. It seems wrong to talk of Christmas so early - but we need the next few months to rehearse some old and new music. If you have never sung with a choir before then this is a great term to come along for a couple of taster sessions as much of the music will be familiar to you and EVERYONE loves singing Christmas carols and songs. The welcome is of course open to all our current and past members and please do ask friends and family to join. We especially would welcome younger people and more MEN!!

Link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Christmas-Generic-Invitation-Poster-GS.pdf>

Message from the Friends

The Friends will be holding our first committee meeting of 2018 at the school on Tuesday 2nd October from 6.30pm.

If you want to hear more about what we do or if you want to join the committee or the flexible friends, please do come along. We have biscuits. Someone will be available to direct you when you arrive.

Everyone welcome!



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	97%	0	Year 3F	96%	2
Reception BC	99	2	Year 4T	98%	1
Year 1A	94%	2	Year 4CW	92%	4
Year 1LC	97%	5	Year 5K	99%	0
Year 2A	97%	7	Year 5F	94%	4
Year 2M	99%	4	Year 6F	99%	2
Year 3W	97%	3	Year 6M	100%	4

Have a lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan