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Dates for your diary

Tuesday 15th October 7.30pm – Friends AGM

Parent/Carer and Teacher meetings:

Tuesday 5th November from 4.30 - 7

Thursday 7th November from 3.30 – 6

(appointment sheets available after Half Term)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, we held two lovely Harvest Thanksgiving services and it was wonderful that so many of you could join us.

Thank you so much for your amazing generosity.

Your donations will be shared between 'Helping

Hands', 'The Manna Centre' and our School Food Bank. These gifts will make a real difference to lots of those in

great need. We have been focusing on Caring for Others this half term and this is a wonderful way to put this into action.



On Tuesday, Year 1 visited Manor House Gardens looking for early signs of Autumn and then they went to the library to listen to stories related to their 'This is Me' topic.

On Wednesday, Year 4 visited the air raid shelter in Chislehurst Caves, to enrich and deepen their learning about WWII. They were very excited about this experience because the caves were so atmospheric.

This week, most classes took part in a story telling workshops as part of their learning about Black History. The children really loved these sessions. We used funding raised by our 'Friends' to provide this rich experience for all our pupils during the past two weeks. They have also been doing lots of follow up learning in class.

Just a Few Polite Reminders:

We are trying to encourage the children to take pride in their school uniform and to develop really good manners. It would be great if we could all work together to give them the same message.

Please could you support this by:

- ensuring that your child wears correct uniform to school each day (please check policy is you are unsure)

- ensuring that nail varnish has been removed before school
- ensuring that all long hair is tied back (including beaded hair)
- ensuring that earrings other than small studs are removed
- ensuring that toys and trading cards are not brought to school
- ensuring that PE Kits are always available in school (Year1 – 6)

We are also trying to encourage pupils to respond politely when they are addressed by staff and other adults rather than just grunting at us or responding in anger. Please remember that you are always going to be the most important role model for your child. If they witness you speaking angrily to us then they will also feel that this is an appropriate way for them to behave. It is always best to have conversations about your concerns when your child is not present.

We are very blessed to have such a wonderful school community and we must all work together to nurture this.

Free Cycling starting in the half term

Lewisham Council are running some free cycling courses during the half term and beyond. They are off road and for complete beginners running from Saturday 12th October to Saturday 30th November. Full details can be found on the following link <https://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/london-borough-of-lewisham/> All the lessons take place in Ladywell Fields and are free, however booking is required. **These are mainly for adults but there are children's ones as well.**

Applying to start primary school 2019-20

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>

Applying for secondary schools for September 2020 – year 6 only

Please follow this link: <https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/schools/school-admission/applying-to-start-secondary-school>

Applications are made online and have already opened (Sunday 1st September). **The closing date for applications is Thursday 31st October 2019 but it is recommended that you should submit your application online by Friday 19th October 2019.**

If you need any help or access to a computer, please contact the school office.

ParentPay

If you require your login details for ParentPay so that you can pay for meals/trips/clubs/instruments etc, please email admin@swcps.lewisham.sch.uk **stating the name of your child and class**, we will then reply with your details.

Attendance for this week

Class	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Reception A	93%	Year 3F	99%
Reception CO	98%	Year 4F	98%
Year 1LO	98%	Year 4C	100%
Year 1UB	94%	Year 5K	97%
Year 2A	95%	Year 5G	97%
Year 2M	95%	Year 6F	94%
Year 3T	99%	Year 6M	95%

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

Uniformed Groups

This Sunday 13th October is Church Parade for all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Brownies, Guides and Rangers. Please arrive by 8.45am at the latest wearing smart uniform. If you are unable to attend please let your leaders know.

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 it is being run by one of the uniformed groups.

Chorus news:

Rehearsals continue on Monday 7th October at 8pm in the church for our Christmas Concert which will be on Sunday 15th December at 4pm, also in the church. It was great to see several new faces these past 5 weeks – but there is always room for a few more enthusiastic members. There will be time to talk a little about the chorus, its aims to reach a broad range of musical abilities and how we learn, practise and perform.

Please remember that we are not "the church choir" but see ourselves more as a community choir and so one of our key aims is to build up the relationship between us as we learn together to improve our singing and musical skills.

Message from the Friends

 ***FRIENDS AGM - TUESDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2019 - 7.30pm*** 




The Friends AGM will be held at the school. Come along and hear about what we do and see how we use the fundraising to support the school and your children. The meeting will start at 7.30pm and will be short and sweet with drinks and nibbles after. We have a couple of vacancies on the Committee this year so if you are interested in joining us, please drop us a line at stwinfredsfriendsse12@gmail.com or text Andrea on 07714 622405. The Friends is a welcoming group of parents and staff who all chip in to do their bit - any support you can offer is most welcome.

WE HAVE A NUMBER OF VACANCIES ON THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT THE FRIENDS ON THE ABOVE EMAIL FOR DETAILS.

The Friends Committee

Amii, Andrea, Bakiyath, Carina, Giuseppe, Jo, Lara, Marta, Michelle and Visnja

*** MESSAGE FROM THE FRIENDS ***

   WELCOME DRINKS & BBQ - TOGETHER WE RAISED OVER £980!!!!

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan