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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great that so many of you were able to attend our Parent/teacher meetings this week. I hope you found them supportive and informative. If you did not manage to make an appointment please contact your child's class teacher and she/he will be happy to arrange a time with you.

This morning we all took part in a beautiful 'Remembrance' service which had been organised by 5K. We remembered the sacrifices made by so many to make our world a more peaceful place and we stopped for a minute silence.

On Thursday, 'The Power of One' came to present performances on bullying for all classes from Reception to Year 6. These were very powerful sessions which the children thoroughly enjoyed. I hope these sessions have empowered to children to know how to cope if somebody is being unkind to them or somebody else. Please ask your child to tell you about what they have learnt.

This week, I was informed about an incident which took place in Northbrook Park before half term. Some of our Year 6 pupils, who were playing in the park after school, were chased by a group of secondary school pupils. This was very frightening for them but they were very sensible and ran to get help.

Please remind your child about keeping safe and travelling with a friend if you are not taking them to and from school. I would also urge you to remind your child about keeping safe on-line and ensuring privacy settings are set for all communication.

I have asked our neighbourhood police to come and talk to all our Year 5 and 6 pupils about how to keep themselves safe. The police will also come and talk to our younger pupils about safety.

Notes for your diary

Mindfulness and resilience session for parents and carers – 21st November 6.30 – 7.30 – in hall – crèche provided.

Book Fair – 20th to 23rd November afternoons only.

Quiz night - Friday 16th November

Christmas Fayre – 24th November 12 – 3pm

Christmas Plays – see below times



Book Fair - 20th November until 23rd November

The book fair will be situated on the ground floor of the year 1/6 building in the afternoons only.

Mindfulness and Resilience

We are aware of the growing need to provide all our pupils with additional emotional support to enable them to become strong and resilient in order to cope with life's challenges. We have targeted this as an area for development this year and are working on a range of ways to give all our children the best support.

One of our strategies is to provide weekly 'Mindfulness and Resilience' sessions for all our pupils in years 4, 5 and 6 this half term. These will begin next Friday and each class will have a 45 min session. We hope that this will really boost confidence for our pupils, help them to manage anxiety and help them to deal with future challenges.

The trainers do not work with younger pupils but will run training for our staff to support all classes.

They will also be running a training session for all parents and carers to share strategies for supporting children in developing resilience and managing anxiety. This will take place on 21st November from 6.30 to 7.30 in the hall and we will be providing a crèche. Our Friends will be providing refreshments after the session to give you an opportunity to talk with other parents and carers. So please come along and join us for a really interesting session.

We really hope this will have a very positive impact for all our pupils.

Christmas Plays

Please see the table below which shows the times, dates and locations for our Christmas plays this year. These are always a very special highlight of our school year and a great opportunity to celebrate talent and remember why we celebrate Christmas.

All classes have dress rehearsals on the day of their play and these are watched by other classes, so lots of children have the opportunity to see their siblings.

We do not allow parents and carers to take their children out of class to watch their sibling's performance.

We hope you will be able to join us.

	small hall	big hall
4 th December	Rec B 2pm	
5 th December		3F 2pm
6 th December	Nursery 2.15pm	
7 th December	Rec C 1.15pm	3W 2pm
11 th December	1A 1.15pm	4T 2pm
12 th December	1LC 1.15pm	4CW 2pm
13 th December	2A 1.15pm	5K 2pm
14 th December	2M 1.15pm	5F 2pm
18 th December		6F & 6M 2pm

Switch off Fortnight 12th-26th November 2018.

Our 'Eco Reps' have registered for our school to take part in 'Switch off Fortnight 12th-26th November 2018'.

We would like our school community to take part by being aware of how they use energy both at school and at home and to think of ways to save it to make our environment a better place. The children are displaying posters around the school and placing stickers near electrical switches to encourage switching off.

If you have a smart meter, this would be a great opportunity to see if your child can help make a difference at home.

Saturday Morning Glendale League Football

Saturday Morning Glendale League Football starts this Saturday 10th of November, at 9:50am on Blackheath (near All Saints Church), for Year 4 boys and Year 5/6 Girls team.

Next Saturday, the 17th of November, it will be the turn of the Year 5 Boys team to start their season and Year 6 Boys team (who have already had two games).

We have a wonderful coach, Coleen Jennings, (CJ) to oversee all the matches each Saturday Morning.

We also have our hero Parent Managers for each team. These are:

Year 6 Boys: John Fowler and Oliver Rennalls

Year 5 Boys: Steve Graham and Ged Power

Year 4 Boys/ Girls: Kelly Jones

Girls 5/6: Graham Little

A massive thank you from the school to all you for such dedicated support; without your volunteering, the children would miss out.

Matches for each team should take place every other week for each team (though never in holidays!). Good Luck to the Girls and the Fours tomorrow!

Dinner Money - Nursery/Year 3 - 6

Dinners for this half term from 30th October until 21st December are £85.80 or £2.20perday/£11per week. Dinners are payable either in advance, daily or weekly but not in arrears. Please ensure you are up to date from last half term. If you are unsure if you have credits or are in arrears, please contact the office.

Our Lady of Lourdes parish

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

On Saturday 10th November (tomorrow) there will be the first session 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.

The 6:30pm Mass on Saturday evening (10th November) will also be the Mass of enrolment where the children on the programme will be introduced.

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>

Our Lady of Lourdes Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 24th November 12 -3 p.m. in the St Winifred's main hall.

Please see poster attached. There is a focus on collecting bottles for the "bottle stall" this weekend but please do make other contributions for the other stalls as and when your circumstances allow.

All donations of gifts, bottles, prizes etc. should be handed in to the church please. Sales of the "squares" for the main raffle will be on sale after each Mass this weekend.

Flyer link: <http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/OLoL-Christmas-Poster-2018.pdf>



Message from the Friends

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 16th November 7.30pm

Only a week to go! Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment! Return your slips by TUESDAY 13th NOVEMBER so you don't miss out on your dinner...

Tickets are £10 in advance and £12 on the door and include snacks, fish and chips/ veggie option and a bottle of wine for your table! Licensed bar available.

See you there!

DISCO!!! - Friday 7th December

You can expect Christmas disco fun this year with BONKERZ! Check them out here: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/BonkerzEntertainment/>

Reception, years 1 & 2 - 4.30pm - 5.45pm

Yrs 3 to 6 - 6.15pm - 7.30pm

If you would like to help out we still need a few more volunteers - email the Friends at stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS TREES

Fresh, premium grade Nordmann non-drop trees at great prices!

Super Grade 3ft - 4ft £24

Premium Grade 4ft - 5ft - £27

Premium Grade 5ft - 6ft £30

Premium Grade 6ft - 6ft.6 £37

Premium Grade 6ft.6 - 8ft £45

Trees available for collection on 8th December from St Winifred's. Please leave your form and payment with the office or send requests to stwinifredsfriendsse12@gmail.com. Cheques should be made payable to The Friends of St Winifreds. We regret that we cannot place orders until payment is made.

We need a minimum of 20 orders to continue so please get your slips in ASAP!

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%	6	Year 3F	98%	7
Reception BC	94%	2	Year 4T	97%	3
Year 1A	98%	23	Year 4CW	95%	7
Year 1LC	97%	8	Year 5K	96%	7
Year 2A	100%	4	Year 5F	97%	4
Year 2M	95%	2	Year 6F	99%	4
Year 3W	100%	1	Year 6M	99%	2

Have a really lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan