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# **Newsletter No 13**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very nearly there!

#### **Events this week**

This week we caught up with our sports events for Nursery and Reception and almost missed the rain. The children had lots of fun and clearly enjoyed competing!

# Notes for your diary

Non uniform days Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Barbecue school dinner for children on Tuesday 19th

Break up normal time Tuesday 19th

Return to school date 6th September, 2016

On Tuesday, our Year 6 put on a superb performance for the other classes and for their parents. Then they had their special disco in the evening and shared in a great celebration with all their friends.

On Thursday we had a really spectacular International Food and activities afternoon. Thank you so much for your incredibly generous donations of food and for coming to join in our fantastic celebration of diversity in our school community. I have never seen such long and determined queues for pancakes! It was a great end to the school year.

Last night, we had a special Mass in church for our Year 6 pupils. This was a really lovely service and the children were wonderful. Thank you for coming along to share in this special event with us.

# Non uniform days Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th

Don't forget next week is non-uniform for our last 2 days in school.

#### **Summer Reading Challenge**

This week, one of the librarians from Manor House Library, came to talk to the children on both sites about the summer reading challenge. We would like to encourage all our children to take part in this as it will ensure that they continue to develop their reading skills during the long holiday as well as supporting our local library which is in danger of closing . You can find out more about the challenge at: <a href="http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/">http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/</a>. Don't forget that your child can also use their library card to get free swimming sessions!

# "Roald Dahl Day"

September 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 marks 100 years since the birth of Roald Dahl.

Roald Dahl was one of the world's most popular children's authors, publishing 21 children's books (as well as many adult stories) including the well-loved Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Matilda, The BFG and James and the Giant Peach.

So 13th September, Roald Dahl's birthday, has been declared "Roald Dahl Day".

"I have a passion for teaching kids to become readers, to become comfortable with a book, not daunted. Books shouldn't be daunting, they should be funny, exciting and wonderful; and learning to be a reader gives a terrific advantage."

Roald Dahl

Here at St Winifred's we will be celebrating this occasion by inviting children to dress up as their favourite Roald Dahl character.

So don your Willy Wonka hat, Fantastic Mr fox bushy tail or a disgusting Mr Twit beard for a dahlicious dress up day.

On the day we will also be re-reading some of our favourite gloriumptious Roald Dahl stories, singing along to some tunes from the musicals- Charlie and the chocolate factory and Matilda, finding out a bit more about Roald Dahl, playing some whizz-popping games and making some marvellous arts and crafts.

There will be a competition for children to complete over the summer and enter in September. See the competition on the school web site page: http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/newsletters/

There is a lot more you can do over the summer holidays:

Take part in the Summer Library challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six books during the long summer holiday.

Children can read whatever they like - fact books, joke books, picture books, audio books - just as long as they are borrowed from the library.

Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge.

The theme for the 2016 Summer Reading Challenge is **The Big** Friendly Read.

- Pop along to the Roald Dahl 100 Afternoon tea at the Shard.
- Visit Roald Dahl's Tremendous Adventures at Tatton Park Tatton Park, Cheshire, WA16 6QN, UK
- Attend The Big Friendly Summer- The Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre, Buckinghamshire, HP16 OAL, UK

"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books."" Roald Dahl...

# Find out more here-

http://www.roalddahl.com/roald-dahl/roald-dahl-100/events/july

# It's going to be a phizz-whizzing experience!

### The Chorus of Our Lady of Lourdes Lee

The Chorus of Our lady of Lourdes Lee have their next performance on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 4pm in the church. The theme is Shakespeare Remembered, a performance of words and music based around the works of Shakespeare and his contemporaries. Please see the flyer on our web site: http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/newsletters/

## Old Tigers Head Family Fun Day - Sunday 14 August

On Sunday 14 August between 11 am and 11 pm there will be a free Family Fun Day at the Old Tigers Head pub in Lee. All profits raised will go to the For Jimmy charity set up following the murder of Jimmy Mizen in 2008, who was a former pupil of St Winifred's.

The event includes a darts competition (12.00 pm), an auction, a pie eating competition and much more. Live husic will be performed by local band Mr McIntosh who those of you who attended the Friends Band Night will know are well worth seeing.

A community event not to be missed and all the money raised goes to a good cause.

## **Mexican Night**

The friend's would like to say a massive thank you to Lourdes Heredia and her team, with whom Lourdes would like to give special thanks to Andrea and Visjna who helped all the way for putting on an amazing Mexican evening at St Mary's Church in Blackheath on Saturday night. Through all her efforts and from profits from the evening she has raised an outstanding £1538!!! And what a fabulous evening it was!!

# **Young Explorers Club**

Holiday dates Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Jul – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 7am – 6pm Contact 07931957515 please see the flyer on our web page: http://www.swcps.lewisham.sch.uk/newsletters/

#### **Attendance & Punctuality**

## Next week we will be presenting certificates for excellent attendance and punctuality.

This is the attendance and punctuality for the whole school year.

Class	<u>Attendance</u>	Lates	Class	<u>Attendance</u>	Lates	Class	Attendance	<u>Lates</u>
Reception 1	94%	58	Year 2A	98%	75	Year 4M	97%	116
Reception 2	97%	40	Year 2F	96%	113	Year 5L	97%	111
Year 1 R	96%	49	Year 3P	97%	106	Year 5/6T	96%	65
Year 1 A	97%	146	Year 3/4K	98%	64	Year 6F	97%	49

Have a lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan















