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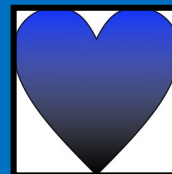
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NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd February 2023

Newsletter No.19

Interim Executive Headteacher : Mrs H Milligan
Interim Head of School : Mrs L Husted



We strive to follow Christ example , to always do our best



Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Another lovely week here at St Wilfrid's and it seems to have whizzed by!

The children have been busy learning - they make us proud every day with their hard work.

Exciting news - we have started our journey to become a **School of Sanctuary** : 'We are a national network of over 380 primary and secondary schools, nurseries and sixth forms all committed to creating a culture of welcome and inclusion for refugees and people seeking asylum.

Driven by teachers, school staff, parents, governors and community groups, this network supports the thousands of young people seeking sanctuary in the UK, raises awareness of the issues facing people in the asylum system, challenges misconceptions and builds social cohesion.'

<https://schools.cityofsanctuary.org/>

An informative week for our eldest children. Here at St Wilfrid's, we pledge to prepare our children for the future and, in this spirit, Year 5 and 6 welcomed a visit from the 'Violence Reduction Unit' on Monday. They learned about making the correct choices as they get older and prepare to face the world with more independence, about peer pressure and the consequences of their actions. Over the course of the next few months we are planning to access more training and support for our staff, children and for you our parents.

A lovely mass led by Year two today. They made Mr Bagshaw and Miss Brown incredibly proud with their amazing reading, beautiful singing and reverence - well done children.

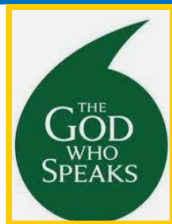
On Saturday evening at 6 pm, Father Vitalis will be welcomed into the parishes of Corpus Christi and Saint Wilfrid's. There is a special celebration Mass at Corpus Christi church in Stechford at 6 pm. Please do try and come along to celebrate with Father Vitalis.





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The God who Speaks

On Monday in Gospel Liturgy, we shared the story of the Presentation of the Lord.

We heard how Jesus's parents took him to the Temple to the joy of Simeon. Simeon had waited for many years to meet the promised Messiah.

However, we are able to meet God at any time of our choosing through the power of prayer. Our MINI MISSION this week was to make some time for God, and say a prayer of our own, and I am delighted to report that, this is exactly what so many of your children and staff have done— how wonderful!



Virtues Award

Infants

Juniors

Jan (1D6)

Daisi (6G)

Right of the Week



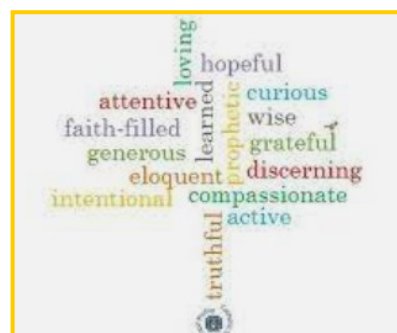
Article 15 (freedom of association)

Every child has the right to meet with other children and to join groups and organisations...

Start thinking about activities for your children for half term.



Virtues of the Half Term



Eloquent and Truthful

This half term, we are learning to be more Eloquent and Truthful.

Tune in later today for the second video we added to our Twitter feed, to let you know information about the charities/ groups who our classes wish to support during Lent. Our children are planning videos where they eloquently explain the reasons for their choices.





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Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
Wednesday 8th Feb	Cafod Assembly
Thursday 9th Feb	Parent Coffee Morning—come and have a catch up!
Thursday 16th Feb	Y5 Maths Challenge
CHECK DATE	Non Uniform—requested by Louie , Y3M, in order to donate to https://www.alisoncope.com/
Friday 17th Feb	Break up for half term
Wednesday 22nd Feb	Ash Wednesday (this is during half term)
Spring 2	Lenten Acts of Service - watch this space
Wednesday 1st March	Father Hudson's Assembly
Wednesday 1st March	NURSERY World Book Day
Thursday 2nd March	Rest of School WORLD BOOK DAY
Monday 13th March	Sublime Science Workshop -small charge on Parent Pay
Tuesday 21st March	Class Photos
Friday 31st March	Break up for Easter Holidays



Experiences for the children

With the cost of living crisis weighing heavy upon us, we appreciate that extra costs are difficult to factor in.

For this reason, we have kept money we ask for in school to as little as possible.

Thank you for when you do send donations.

However, when we do ask for donations, we would ask if you could please contribute as we can not afford to pay for these extras from school budget—which is also very tight, due to rising fuel costs etc.

Having to cover the majority of the cost of experiences is just not possible for us and will mean that the number of experiences are reduced even more.

We continue to try to provide extra experiences in creative ways to keep costs low.

A Reminder of our Teacher Days for the Coming Academic Year

~~Monday 5th September 2022~~

~~Tuesday 6th September 2022~~

~~Monday 17th October 2022~~

~~Tuesday 3rd January 2023~~

Monday 5th June 2023



Awards

Class	Name/s
Nurs	Franklin
RCT	Favour
RNM	Adayah
1DG	Kyce
1M	Ivy
2B	Umar
2G	Aariz
3M	Hurairah
3P	Yanis
4B	Deron
4P	Adam
5P	Olivia
5W	Usman
6G	Amy
6W	Angel
Wise Owl	Catalin (4P)
Music	2B
Sport	Heinrich (6W)
Lunchtime	Leovanna (Nurs), Acer (1M), Catalin (4P), 4P

Star Awards—well done everybody!



Each week, we celebrate our children's achievements in our Friday assembly and award them with certificates.

Well done to everyone

Miss Turner's Walk Once A Week Award



Keep Walking—who will win the award for January for walking the most? Watch this space!



Attendance—period 23rd—27th Jan 2023

Our whole school attendance target is 95%



Class	%
RCT	92.3%
RNM	87.6%
1DG	98.1%
1M	82.5%
2B	96.1%
2G	92.6%
3M	88%
3P	90%
4B	92.7%
4P	90%
5P	87.3%
5W	88.6%
6G	91.7%
6W	95..2%

Last weeks whole school attendance was : 91%



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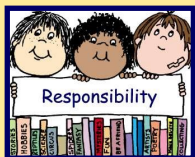
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Rights and Responsibilities

"Each person is therefore called to contribute with courage and determination...to the respect of the fundamental rights of every person.." - Pope Benedict



This half term, we are putting a focus on RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.



The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met.

This half term, we are encouraging the children to consider their responsibility in helping the rights of others to be met.

Don't forget that this week on **Thursday 9th February**, it is our next coffee morning, run by Friends of Saint Wilfrid and our Pastoral Team. You'll have the chance to pop along and have a catch up with other parents. You don't have to drink coffee to come along—we will also be serving tea, squash and a tasty treat!

Mrs Whittingham, Mrs Cropper and Ms Stephens will be mingling, if you want a chat about anything. They will be bringing along the trusty rail of pre-loved uniform, washed, dried and ironed, if you are short of anything.



Our children live our school Mission every single day—"We follow Christ's example to always do our best".

This half term, we will be preparing to **TAKE ACTION** after half term with our **Lenten Acts of Service**. This half term, children will be delving into research about groups/charities/members of society who they feel it is their responsibility to support.

Please talk to your children about this. So far we have had the below charities suggested to us. Please take some time to look at them.

<https://www.alisoncope.com/>

<https://www.theteddyrosefoundation.org/>

<https://www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk/pantry-listings/birmingham-hodge-hill-pantry/>

<http://www.pacellischoolfortheblind.org/>

<https://cafod.org.uk>

<https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/>





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Student Ambassadors

What AMAZING leaders—walking examples of Gospel teachings—'Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.' Philippians 2:3-4

House Captains

NEW HOUSE CAPTAIN

COMPETITION!

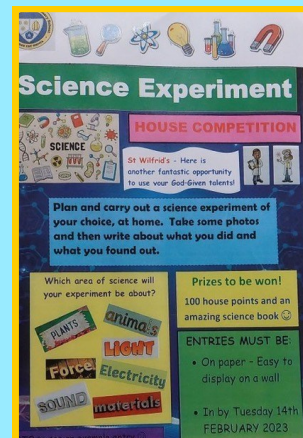
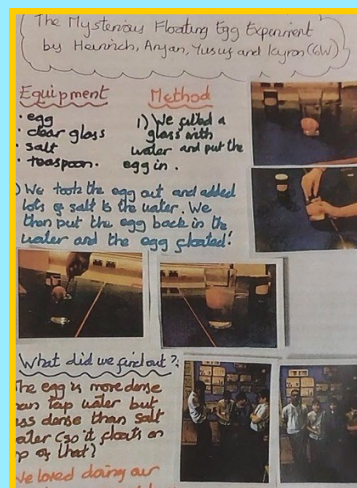
CARRY OUT A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT AT HOME and BRING IN PICTURES AND AN EXPLANATION.

Explore God's wonderful world through the world of science!

Will you experiment with plants, light, electricity, force, materials

YOU MUST ASK AN ADULT TO HELP YOU...DO NOT DO THIS ALONE!

Winners get 100 house points and a fun science book!



Faith Leaders



Next week we will be extending our Faith Team! Applications have started to come in for this important role—we can't wait to update you next week on our new appointees!





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Community News

St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School
Pastoral Team x FOSW invites you for

COFFEE



CONVERSATION

The Firs hub & other professionals will
be attending

Thursday February 9, 2023
From 9am
School Hall

#TimeToTalkDay





Reading

WORLD BOOK DAY!

ADVANCED NOTICE

We are very excited to be taking part in World Book Day on Thursday March 2nd 2023 . This will be on Wednesday 1st March for Nursery.

One of our aims this year, is to develop enjoyment for reading and we certainly intend to do this!

In celebration of this special day, we will be

- inviting the children to dress up as their favourite book character... and hold a parade to share these costumes with you!
- bring in their favourite book to share
- share stories across the age ranges
- share a book activity with a member of their family
- the grand opening of our 'book nook'
- many more fun activities organised by the School Council!



LIBRARY UPDATE!

Miss Miller has been in school this week, working hard to catalogue our library books...which means we are one step closer to opening our library. We still have a part of our journey to go, but we are getting there!





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Extra Messages

PE KITS

Thank you to all the children making a massive effort to wear their correct PE KIT.

According to our school Behaviour Policy, many children, however, are not READY for their lesson as they have not brought a kit, or wear kits which don't comply with school guidelines.

The kit is:

- 1) Pale blue polo shirt—branded from myclothing.com or non branded—available at Asda for £2.50 for two, Sainsbury's for £3 for two, Tesco from £4 for 3
 - 2) Black shorts—Asda £4 for two or Tesco £3 for two (to be worn with socks, not tights)
 - 3) Black pumps—Asda from £2.50
- (All prices correct at time of checking!)

PE is, at present, indoors, and therefore, shorts are suitable. Tracksuits bottoms and trainers are not needed.

If you are struggling with the purchase of the kit, please contact your child's teacher or Mrs Whittingham, who may be able to help.

Thank you.

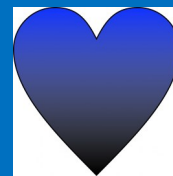
Thank you for all your kind donations for Acer's family—you are so kind.

We send your contributions for the family with love



Have a lovely weekend — stay safe!

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and Staff





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ForwardThinking
Birmingham

**Need someone to talk to?
Struggling to cope with feelings?
We're here for you.**

Pause can help anyone under 25 with a Birmingham GP. We listen and help you find solutions – no referrals or long waits.

You choose when and how to use our service:

- Drop-in face to face support is available, check our webpage for dates & venues. (Booked face to face sessions are available in certain circumstances.)

Or

- Request a phone or video call back, using the website or by calling the registration line.

Our Service Operates:

- Monday to Saturday
- We are closed Sundays & Bank Holidays.

To find out more and register for support, visit:
<https://forwardthinkingbirmingham.nhs.uk/pause>
or call our Registration Line **0207 841 4470**
(please note local call charges do apply).





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**A SPACE TO TALK ABOUT LIFE AND
REAL FEELINGS**



**UNDER 25 AND HAVE A GP IN
BIRMINGHAM?**

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Roots & Branches Connecting Communities in Birmingham

Opening First Friday Of Every Month

Between 4.30pm To 6.30pm

3rd Feb 2023

3rd Mar 2023

7th Apr 2023

5th May 2023

2nd June 2023

7th July 2023

4th Aug 2023

1st Sep 2023

6th Oct 2023

3rd Nov 2023

1st Dec 2023



**The Community Kitchen will be open on the
1st Friday of every month and will provide
FREE HOT MEALS.**



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