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NEWSLETTER

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

Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

We have had a super week.

During October, we celebrate the Holy Rosary. We are invited to pray with Mary, thinking about the different moments in the life of Jesus. We are united with others near and far as we pray together. Next week, and in the weeks that follow in October, our Catholic Leaders, William and Lacey, will be offering time for children to gather together to pray the Rosary.

Also in the month of October, we celebrate Black History Month. The children are learning about significant individuals throughout history and the contributions that they have made in the world - they have been, or will be, considering the countless generations of African and Caribbean descent, who have shaped both our country's history, but also that of the world.

Today, Friends of St Wilfrid's hosted their very first event! Our community gathered to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Care at our Big Coffee Morning! We enjoyed a hot drink, a sweet treat and a good old chinwag! Thank you Friends of St Wilfrid's for bringing us together!



Don't forget our Pastoral Team are holding a coffee morning next Thursday 13th October at 9am. You don't have to drink coffee to come along! Pop in for a drink and a natter! Our pastoral team will be there to offer you any advice or support if you wish it.

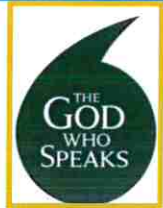
Next Wednesday 12th October is the Feast Day of St Wilfrid! On that day we will wear our uniforms with pride and gather together for whole school Mass at 9:05 am—please come along! Our classes will buddy up during the day to celebrate our St Wilfrid's Family, sharing in an activity of their choice ...and there may even be a drink and a biscuit in it for them! There is A LOT of talk about drinks and sweet treats this week!





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The God who Speaks

This week in Gospel Liturgy, we heard the account of St Bernadette and her visions of Mary.

Even though many did not believe that she had seen Mary, Bernadette stayed strong in her faith and stayed true to her word.

Faith is a hard thing to have sometimes—it is hard to believe yet not see and it is hard at times, to believe when others don't.

We talked about the faith that when we pray God listens and answers and we prayed together for anyone whom we knew who needed our help, with the trust that God would answer.

Pope Francis said
'Have faith; the Lord will not abandon you'



Virtues Award

Infants

Zainab (2G)

Juniors

Hadia (5P)

Right of the Week



Article 5 (parental guidance and a child's evolving capacities)

Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents and carers to provide guidance and direction to their child as they grow up, so that they fully enjoy their rights.

This must be done in a way that recognises the child's increasing capacity to make their own choices



Virtues of the Half Term



Compassionate and Loving

Another wonderful week of Compassionate and Loving - even in this time of particular hardship, where the cost of living is increasing, the support for our Macmillan Coffee morning was immense. And also, to our Friends of St Wilfrid's who gave up their time voluntarily to organise this event, we thank you



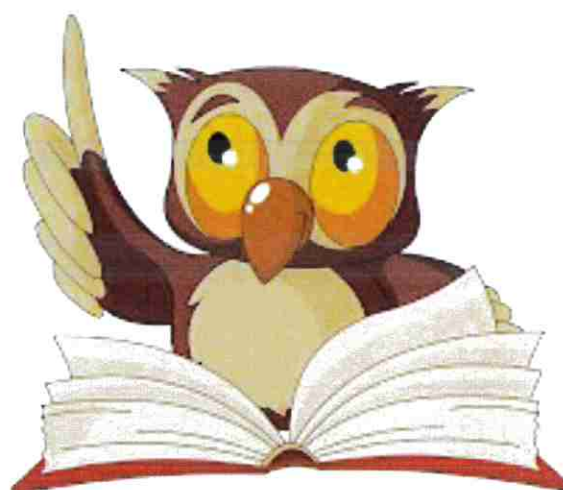


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Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
OCTOBER	Black History Month & Our Lady of the Rosary
Thursday 6th Oct	Special Dinner Day - Caribbean Cuisine !
Friday 7th Oct	Macmillan Big Coffee Morning—FOSW
Thursday 13th Oct	Coffee Morning with pastoral team—meet and greet
Monday 17th Oct	School Closed to children — Staff Training Day
Thursday 20th Oct	Special Dinner Day — Caribbean Day (reorganised from 6.10.22)
Wednesday 16th November	Parent Consultations.
Tuesday 29th Nov—note change of date	Christmas Dinner for EYFS and KS1 Christmas Dinner for Grandparents
Wednesday 30th Nov—note change of date	Christmas Dinner for KS2
Tuesday 6th Dec	EYFS Christmas Production 9:30am
Wednesday 7th Dec—Friday 9th Dec	Year 6 Residential to Alton Castle
Tuesday 13th Dec	KS2 Christmas Production 2pm
Wednesday 14th Dec	KS1 Christmas Production 2pm
Friday 16th Dec	Break up for Christmas
Wednesday 4th Jan	Return to school



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





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Class	Name/s
Nurs	Mya
RNM	Reuben
RCT	Lewis
1DG	Salman
1M	Samantha
2B	Eliana
2G	Kylah
3M	Whole class
3P	Whole class
4B	Angel
4P	Adam
5P	Nabeel
5W	Muhammad I
6G	Layla
6W	Whole class
Lunchtime	Olivia (Nurs), Kharis, Kacey (6W), RNM

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 who has received an award today and we look forward to seeing who will receive awards next week.

Attendance—period 26th—30th September 2022

Our whole school attendance target is 95%

This weeks whole school attendance is: 94.2%



Class	%
RCT	92.9%
RNM	92.2%
1DG	96.5%
1M	90%
2B	94.5%
2G	92.3%
3M	92.5%
3P	99.5%
4B	93.9%
4P	95.2%
5P	93%
5W	94.5%
6G	96.3%
6W	98.6%





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Stewardship of Creation

'As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family.'

Pope Francis



Year 2

Year 2 are collecting used batteries so that they can be recycled properly.

Please drop used batteries, either into Ms Brown's classroom, or to the main office (not leaking please!) and they will make sure that they are put in the correct place.



Year 1

Year 1 are planting seeds and plants so that God's wildlife has a home that they enjoy. They will tend to these plants and flowers so that the bees also have a place from which to take their pollen, when it's time.



Year 3

Wow, Year 3! Your birdfeeders look amazing! What lucky creatures they are to have you looking after them! If you would be interested in buying one of our handmade bird feeders for your own outdoor space, priced at £1, please contact a member of the Year 3 team.



Year 4

Year 4's project during the Season of Creation focus is to support CAFLO (Community Actions for Local Opportunities) a local foodbank.

They would like to take a delivery of food up after Harvest Festival Mass on 20th October. Therefore, we are asking if each family could kindly donate item/s of non-perishable food please during the next few weeks until Oct 19th 2022. Such items can be tinned food or packet dry foods like cereals or pasta and rice. Thank you.



Year 6

Year 6 will be visiting The Pantry, which they are very much looking forward to doing. They will be supporting the work of the Food Bank during the year and, as Stewards of Creation helping fellow human beings to live life to the full.

Nursery

We are delighted to hear you doing your bit for God's creation. You have been brilliant making sure that you put all of your paper waste in the recycling bag.



Reception

Reception, we can not wait for you to plant your seeds next week! You can watch them grow, and they will be, not only a wonderful home for wildlife, they will provide pollen.





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The Macmillan Big Coffee Morning was a success!

THANK YOU

WE RAISED £186.13





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Fire

As you are already aware, we suffered an isolated fire yesterday.

We know that you will be reassured that the procedures put into place were highly effective; staff implemented the Fire Evacuation Policy and the school was evacuated with immediacy. We are incredibly proud of the children, who evacuated swiftly, but safely and sensibly. Their behaviour was exemplary. We were given strict instructions by the fire service as to how to maintain the safety of our staff and children throughout. I'm sure that you will join me in thanking our staff for their care of the children, and 'White Watch' from Ward End Fire Station, who attended within minutes. Today we held an assembly to discuss fire safety and to congratulate the children on their sensible attitude during and after the fire.



School Uniform

It is WONDERFUL to see so many children STILL looking smart in their school uniforms. We even have ties on and shirts tucked in!

Each week, each class, will nominate one person who has worn their uniform with pride for the whole week, and these names will be put into a draw for a special experience at the end of the half term.



REQUEST FROM OUR RECEPTION CLASSES

Are you able to donate any -

- Unused (non working!) 'phones
- Remote controls
- Clean, pet hair free rugs
- Shoes suitable for dressing up role play
- Hats
- Handbags
- Cotton reels
- Corks
- Small play animals

They would be incredibly grateful to receive these from you. Thank you, in advance.

Volunteers

Please see attached the letter mentioned last week regarding the opportunity to volunteer in school.

To support us and your children, you would need to be cheery, enthusiastic and positive, patient, able to follow instructions from the class teacher but able to use your own initiative and supportive of our faith life.

We can offer you a chance to be a part of our wonderful community during school hours, and we will be asking you what you could offer us.

We are committed to safeguarding, and so you will be subject to a DBS check.

You will not be able to work within the classroom of any children who are family members.



All that is left to say is, that we wish you a wonderful weekend.

We thank God for keeping us in his care.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the staff .



Would you like to volunteer some of your time in school? Then this is the letter for you!

We are inviting parents/guardians to come and work in school on a voluntary, but regular, basis, to assist the learning of our children. You may be required to work with small groups of children, work in the classroom, carry out tasks such as photocopying, display work, preparation of resources - all under the direction of the class teacher.

To support us and your children, you need to be

- reliable
- cheery, enthusiastic and positive
- patient
- able to follow instructions from the class teacher but able to use your own initiative
- supportive of our vision, our mission, our expectations and our faith life
- dedicated and hardworking and have good communication skills

If you feel like you have time, and something special to offer, then please complete the slip below and return it to school by Friday 7th October and we may be inviting you in for an informal chat to find out more!

If you can't volunteer on a regular basis, but think you could help to teach our children about your family faith and/or culture, then please also indicate this below

You will not, unfortunately, be able to work within the same year group as your own family.

At St Wilfrid's, we are committed to safeguarding, and therefore, a DBS check will be required.

Your Name
Name of Child(ren) and their year group(s)
How you think you can help us
On which days would you be able to help us Please also let us know if you can come in for <ul style="list-style-type: none">• full days• mornings• afternoons
Anything else you would like to tell us about yourself for example - do you speak more than one language, are you artistic, are you particularly sporty, can you share information about your faith and/or culture with the children