NEWSLETTER

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Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Thank you for another wonderful week here at St Wilfrid's!

Continuing through the month of October, we have been thoroughly enjoying delving into inspirational individuals for Black History Month and sharing the Rosary daily. This week, we took part in 'One Million Children Praying the Rosary', remembering that we are united across the world, through prayer! How exciting!

Our Parent Consultations went really well this week—it was really productive for parents and staff to meet in partnership for the children—thank you for your support for all that we do in school and for being our 'first educators'. Remember to return the feedback forms relating to what kinds of things you would like us to offer to you, as parents, in school.

This week, our School Council met for the first time this year. They are extremely excited to form an important part of our pupil voice forum, here at St Wilfrid's and you can look forward to regular news updates from them.

Thank you to our infants who planned and led our school and parish Mass this week. We were delighted with their prayerfulness, and their confidence to take on such a big task!

Please join us next week for our celebration of Harvest Festival!































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Catholic Life and Mission



The God who Speaks

Matthew 22: 1-10

We remembered that we are all invited to enjoy being a part of God's great celebration His Kingdom

MINI MISSION

Show others that you are a part of God's Kingdom by sharing the joy of His love with others.

Catholic Schools' Pupil Profile : Values and Virtues

Infants Juniors

Jordan (2G)

Catalin (5P)

Catholic Social Teachings

This half term, we will be being

Stewards of Creation

We are delighted that our Faith Space is finally COMPLETE!

This will be a place where we can share liturgy and prayer and welcome you, as our community into our outdoor area.

In the construction of this, we have tried to remain faithful to our role as Stewards of Creation, purchasing benches made of recycled materials, including a cross woven from willow, by preserving the shrubbery that is already there and maintaining its 'health' by removing errant roots and weeds strangling it, by bark-chipping the area and by housing surplus ornamental trees from B and Q and National Trust.



Virtues of the Half Term



This half term, we are

Grateful and Generous

We are underway with our Harvest Collection.

On Wednesday 25th October, we will be celebrating harvest festival in church and donating the goods offered to The Pantry and Caflo.

We would be grateful for any generous donations of food or items such as shower gels, soap, toilet rolls etc please.





















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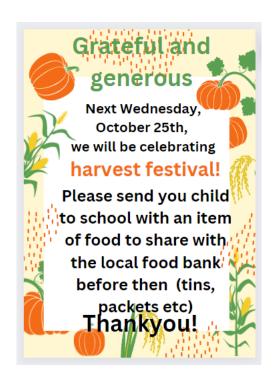
Dates for your Diary

Teacher Days for Academic year 2023-24

Monday 4th September 2023 Friday 29th September 2023 Friday 27th October 2023 Monday 19th February 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024

Date	Event (more dates will be added as finalised, so please continue to check)
25th October	Harvest Festival
27th October	INSET day—children finish for half term on 26th October
6th November	Back to School
9th November	Y6 Confirmation — time to be confirmed

























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Black History Month



Our composer of the week, is

Stevie Wonder

Stevie wonder was born, prematurely, in 1950, and very soon became blind, whilst in hospital after birth. But this did not hold him back.

He developed a passion and a talent for singing and playing musical instruments when he was still very young: piano, harmonica, and drums.

At the age of 11 he was signed to Motown, and at 21 started his own music publishing company with some of the money he had earned.

His biggest single hit was in 1980—'I just called to say I love you' and he later produced collaborations with Paul McCartney (Ebony and Ivory (1982)) and with Dionne Warwick, Elton John, and Gladys Knight on "That's What Friends Are For" in 1985. Children—ask your parents and grandparents to sing you one of these songs!

An excellent example of what you can do if you are really determined and to never let anything hold you back!

















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Find a way to celebrate Black History and bring in your work for us to share and display at school! You might

- Create a piece of artwork
- Research a significant figure in black history this might be someone in your family who you think has achieved something amazing!
 - * Write a poem
 - * Find a different way of your choosing!



School Council will judge the best entry and are busy preparing prizes for those who enter!



















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TT ROCKSTARS!

A message from Miss Hunt





















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A MASSIVE thank you to the effort that you have made with sending your children to school in the correct uniform since September.

As you know, we asked, this year, for children to wear ties and the MAJORITY of our children have been remembering to wear them! They make SUCH a difference and show that our wonderful pupils are READY to learn.

Look on our photographs to see how smart our children look!

Now, we need to talk about PE kits!

A reminder from Mrs Gregory, our PE coordinator

A reminder that our PE kits are

- pale blue t-shirt
- black shorts
- pumps/trainers.

If your child does not have the correct PE kit in school - they will not be able to participate in the lesson.

On PE days, they MUST come to school in school uniform and change at the appropriate time.

They will also be expected to change back out of their PE kits into their school uniform.

If you are struggling to purchase PE kit, please speak to Miss Donald and we may be able to help.

10 dojos for every child in the correct kit between now and half term!





















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Attendance

This year we have simplified our attendance awards, but the message is the same...

You have to be in to win!

Weekly

The class who have the best attendance above 95%

wins

Free Choice Friday at morning playtime the following week.

Classes have decided what their Free Choice Friday treat will be ready for when they win!

Termly

Pupils will get a certificate it they achieve 95% and above attendance

One term of 95% bronze certificate Two terms of 95% silver certificate Three terms of 95% gold certificate

If class teachers are concerned about your child's attendance they will speak to you in the first instance and work with you to put something in place to improve this. A big thank you to the majority of parents who make sure their children attend school regularly. Please note that where parents fail to ensure their child attends school regularly, legal action, including penalty notices, will be considered. We work closely in school with our Attendance Officer and our most recent fine for leave in term time was in excess of £400.

Please note that holidays in term time will NOT be authorised.

OUR WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 95%. This week we have achieved 91.6%

Class	%
RBB	85.9%
RDG	90.5%
1D5	90.4%
1P	91.6%
26	97%
2M	95%
3 <i>C</i> M	97.1%
36	83%
4 <i>C</i>	85.3%
45	85.9%
5P	94.7%
5B	93.9%
6 <i>G</i>	94.8%
6W	94.1%

The class winning Free Choice Friday this week is ...

Y3CM



















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Awards

Each week, our children will be awarded certificates/trophies in Celebration Assembly .

This is a celebration of their God given talents and skills!

Please send in any awards they have achieved outside of school.



Class	
Nurs	Dominic
RDG	Albie
RBB	Leonardo
1DS	Sara
1P	Santi
2M	Anabia
2 <i>G</i>	Nevaeh-Rae, Ava-Rose
3 <i>G</i>	Alfie
3 <i>C</i> M	Elohima
4 <i>C</i>	Yanis
45	Klay
5B	Deron
5P	George, Camilla
6 <i>G</i>	Kelvin
6W	Billie
Music	Angel (5B)
Sport	Armani (6G)
Wise Owl	Kaydan (6G)
Lunchtime	Ashayla (45), 2G, Mumtaz (Nurs)

























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Talking Point

A talking point for you and your children.

WHAT IS BULLYING?

Bullying is a form of emotional or physical abuse that has three defining characteristics:

- 1. Deliberate—bullies intend to hurt someone
- 2. Repeated—bullies often target the same person over and over again
- 3. Power Imbalanced—bullies choose victims they think are vulnerable

Bullying occurs in many different forms:

· Physical Bullying—poking, pushing, hitting, kicking etc

Verbal Bullying — taunting, name-calling, threatening

Relational Bullying—leaving others out, spreading rumours, getting others to hurt someone

Cyberbullying—sending hurtful messages or pictures online

WHO IS INVOLVED?



Victim

Bystanders

All of those involved can make bullying STOP.

In a few weeks' time, it will be Anti Bullying Week

13-17th November

The theme is

Make a Noise about Bullying























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Sneak peek!













Year Five!

Please remember in your prayers everyone in our St Wilfrid's Community, and around the world, who need our prayers at this time.

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the Staff

















