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Newsletter No 21

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











Mrs Milligan and Mrs Husted's Message

Well, what a wonderful half term. Our newsletters have shown that our children and all staff have been working incredibly hard. We are very proud of them.

Thank you for your kind donations today for www.alisoncope.com/to-day. Please have a look at the link to find out more. Thank you to Louie for recommending this extremely worthy charity and for raising our awareness of the wonderful work that she does.

This week we welcomed back Mrs Galvin from her maternity leave. We are extremely pleased to have her back on board and she will return to teaching in Year Two. Miss Clohessy also came in yesterday to carry out some very important curriculum work and to spend some time in reception. We look forward to her returning just before the Easter holidays when she will be teaching in Reception alongside with Miss Turner and Mrs Da Silva.

Next week, we enter into the Season of Lent, which begins with Ash Wednesday. When we return to school after the half term break we will be carrying out our Lenten Acts of Service. The children have been learning about people's **Rights** and our **Responsibilities** as a community to help people to access these rights. Please see the table below on our LENT page to find out who your child's class is planning to serve during Lent.

Mass times for Ash Wednesday: 9.15 am at St Wilfrid's Church on Ash Wednesday 22nd Feb 2023





















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The God who Speaks

This week in Gospel Liturgy, we reflected on the value of noticing when other people had demonstrated the Gospel values. Our staff and children have been keeping a watchful eye

and listening ear ready to find those children (and members of staff) whose actions demonstrate the light of Christ



Virtues Award

Infants	Juniors
Kylah (2G)	Mary (4P)

Right of the Week



UNITED KINGDOM

Article 27 (adequate standard of living)

Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and social needs and support their development.

Talk to your children about the vulnerable who they can help during Lent, locally and in the wider community across the country and across the world.



Virtues of the Half Term



Eloquent and Truthful

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

Our children have been extremely eloquent this half term, explaining who they would like to support for their Lenten Acts of Service—what learned and wise children we have who are now ready to use this knowledge to support these people next half term.





















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Dates For Your Calendar

Date	Event
Friday 17th Feb	Break up for half term
Wednesday 22nd Feb	Ash Wednesday (this is during half term)
Spring 2	Lenten Acts of Service - see page below
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT	NON UNIFORM TO RAISE MONEY FOR CAFOD and FATHER HUDSON'S. CASH PAYMENTS PLEASE—£1 PER CHILD EACH WEEK
Wednesday 1st March	Father Hudson's Assembly CANCELLED
Tuesday 28th Feb	NURSERY World Book Day CHANGE OF DATE (Playground parade for N only this 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

Advanced Notice

Reception and Nursery parents meeting about the crucial area of Speech and Language Development and how our parents can support this at home.

Tuesday 28th March at 9am in the school hall.

Come along and find out more and have a cuppa and chat alongside.





Monday 5th September 2022

Tuesday 6th September 2022

Monday 17th October 2022

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

A Reminder of our Teacher Days for the Coming Academic Year



















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Awards

Class	Name/s
Nurs	Aaliyah
RCT	Deron
RNM	Demi-Mae
1DG	Darcy-Rai
1M	Ivy
2B	Kaiden
2 <i>G</i>	Mayumi
3M	Jayden
3P	Karter
4B	Irfa
4P	Mason
5P	Armani
5W	Hadiya
6 <i>G</i>	Mariha
6W	Oliver
Wise Owl	Neveah, Amy (6W)
Music	Samuel (4B)
Sport	Fatima (6W)
Lunchtime	Talia (1DG), Eliezer (6G), 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













Attendance—period 6th—10th Feb 2023



Our whole school attendance target is 95%

Class	%
RCT	96.5%
RNM	90%
1DG	93.3%
1M	93.4%
2B	97.4%
26	95.8%
3M	93.3%
3P	94.8%
4B	90.9%
4P	97.7%
5P	93.7%
5W	87.9%
6 <i>G</i>	85%
6W	97.6%

Last weeks whole school attendance was: 93.2%



















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Rights and Responsibilit

"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.

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

We are very excited to have finalised Lenten acts of service. Our children have been researching various charities and groups that need our support. They have been learning about human rights and understand that we have a responsibility to help. These Lenten Acts of Service will take place after half term.

Year	Act of Service
Group	
2	Paintings to Birmingham Children's Hospital
R	Visit to <u>Hodge Hill Care Home</u> to spend time with the residents
1	St Chad's Sanctuary - Correspondence with the children to cheer them up in their new country. Visit of some
	children to take goods needed
2	Kingfisher Food Bank - Food Collection
3	<u>Teddy Rose Foundation</u> – donation of money for cuddle blankets.
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	Alison Cope – Anti Violence Campaigner – non uniform day 17thFeb
4	<u>Caflo Food Bank</u> - Food collection and delivery
5	Raising money for <u>SHELTER</u>
6	Pantry Food Bank - donation of goods and visit to help the staff there in their work.

We have also signed up for the <u>CAFOD Big Walk</u>. This will entail Lots of extra walking challenges for our children over the course of the half term! After a visit from Mr McCann from CAFOD this week, they are keen to help our international neighbours across the other side of the world who have been affected by flooding. Mr McCann also explained to the children that any money raised would also go to Turkey and Syria to support earthquake victims.

Each Friday during Lent will be a non-uniform day where we would please ask for each child to bring in £1 in CASH each week.





















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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

EACH WEEK, OUR PUPIL LEADERS WILL REPORT BACK TO YOU BELOW ON WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN UP TO

House Captains

Today, we announced the winners of our amazing science competition. CONGRATULATIONS TO Iga (Y6), Mateusz (Y3) and Mayumi (Y2) who win 100 house points and a book on Science experiments to enjoy at home.

Watch this space for our next competition!

School Council

With World Book Day coming up, we are going to be <u>selling books</u> for you to enjoy at home.

The proceeds of the sale will go towards updating the library books in school.

All books will be 50p.

We will be setting up at two different times on World Book day to sell these—once before school (8:40) and once at the end of the day on the playground (weather permitting!).

DON'T FORGET THE FANCY DRESS PARADE THAT DAY AT 9:05 am.

Faith Team

This week we have been leading liturgy in class and evaluating the liturgy of our children ... AND TEACHERS!

We have found out that our children are always super listeners and really prayerful at these times. We are looking forward to more pupils leading worship over the next few weeks.

Don't forget Lent is coming up - it starts next Wednesday in Half Term with Ash Wednesday on 22nd February.



















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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 Tuesday 28th February 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!



EXCITING AUTHOR VISIT!

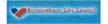
ON Friday 3rd March, we will be having a visit from Daniel Thompson.

He is an author of poetry and his subject of choice is POSITIVITY!

We will be purchasing copies of his new book as a school and hope to give children the chance to purchase them after his visit...we will keep you up to date with arrangements for this and costs involved! How wonderful!





















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BEHAVIOUR UPDATE

<u>Please find attached the Home/School Agreement—you have had a copy of this before, but please be reminded that on choosing St Wilfrid's School for your child, this is our agreed</u> expectations.

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Attendance and Punctuality

After half term, we will be putting a big focus on attendance and punctuality.

REMINDER



Infants and Juniors—school gates open at 8:45 for an 8:55 am start and collection is at 3:30 pm. We have a number of children arriving late or being collected late.

NURSERY collection time is 3:15pm

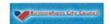
MORE ABOUT THIS AFTER HALF TERM



HAVE A WONDERFUL HALF TERM! Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and Staff





















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St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary Home School Agreement

We strive to follow Christ's example and always do our best.

Ready – to learn Respectful – of everyone Safe – in our behaviour

As a school we will do our best to:

- Ensure that all children follow Jesus' example and gain an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church.
- Provide your child with the highest standard of education within the context of the Mission Statement to ensure their success
- Provide a safe and happy environment for all children.
- Provide children with a high standard of education through a balanced and engaging curriculum.
- Ensure that learning is stimulating and challenging.
- Provide the scaffolding and support needed for children to succeed including providing interventions and keep up where needed.
- Provide opportunities for children to develop positive social relationships, self-esteem and a sense of responsibility.
- Encourage positive behaviours and support children to learn about unacceptable behaviours.
- Offer opportunities for parents to be involved in the life of the school.
- Communicate information regarding children's progress and celebrate their achievements.
- Provide information about our school, events, workshops, newsletters, relevant policies and meetings.

Parents will do their best to:

- Ensure that all children follow Jesus' example and encourage an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church.
- Provide daily opportunities for pupils to read at home promoting a joy of reading.
- Ensure that children arrive at school on time and attend at least 95% of the time.
- Collect their child punctually, and advise school if they are going to be late or if there is a change to the pick-up arrangements at the end of the day
- Ensure careful and considerate parking at the school entrances and respect safety regulations on school premises
- Ensure their child is wearing clothing in line with school uniform expectations and that their PE kit is in school every day
- Let the school know of any concerns or worries that may be affecting children's learning or behaviour, so that this can be resolved quickly.
- Attend meetings with their child's teacher, aiming to be respectful, positive and productive to support their child's learning and or behaviour.
- Support and work with school to support the positive behaviour management policies of the school including completion of any unfinished work at home (imposition on behaviour policy).



















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- Use social media responsibly, following school policy and procedures relating to the use of mobile devices and media.
- · Use photographs from school events of your child only;
- · Discuss the school in a positive light within the wider community;
- · Do not discuss children, other than your own.

Pupils will do their best to:

- · Come to school regularly and on time.
- · Wear full school uniform with pride.
- · Read each day at home.
- · Complete school work and homework to the best of their ability.
- · Look after our school environment and surroundings.
- · Follow class charters and the school rules of:

ready, respectful, safe.

- · Be an ambassador of our school values and virtues.
- Represent St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School in the local community.

Our Governing Body will carry out their legal responsibilities to the school to ensure that:

- School policies provide care and safety for every pupil
- The school strives to give the best education for every pupil
- Funding received by the school will be used efficiently to support learning
- Governors will visit the school regularly and make it a priority to raise academic standards for all pupils.
- Governors meet regularly to carry out their functions



















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February Half Term Activities

Gardens open EVERYDAY February 18th to 26th.

Come for a run round, do the Percy Trails, explore the mud kitchen



PLUS
BOOKABLE SESSIONS
Percy the Park Keeper and
his friends are having a
brand new adventure in
the Gardens.

Come and join in the fun.
Storytime with Percy
himself, games, craft and
nature activities
February 22nd, 23rd and 24th
SCAN TO BOOK ONLINE

PLUS



Wild Child Den Building Wednesday 22nd, 2pm























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COME AND TRY **BRING IT ON BRUM!**



Suitable for children & young people aged 4-16 eligible for free school meals.

Young people and their families are encouraged to join us this half -term at one of our FREE taster sessions, to learn all about Birmingham's FREE Holiday Activity & Food Programme.

- Activity tasters including, Arts & Crafts, Cooking & Sports
- Signposting to further cost-of-living support services
- And much more!



BOOK IN ADVANCE TO GET A FREE LUNCH WHEN YOU ATTEND

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TO BOOK A PLACE AT YOUR LOCAL **VENUE AND TO FIND OUT MORE GO TO:**

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Looking for something fun to do with the kids this February half term?

Check out the EVENTS section on the 50 things app for lots of low cost and no-cost activities and ideas.



things to do
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Get the mobile app from the Apple AppStore or Google PlayStore or scan the QR Code.





















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#47 GREAT BIRMINGHAM BAKING

Pancake Day

It's Pancake day on February 21st and It's a great opportunity to cook with your child get them involved in shopping, weighing, mixing, flipping and eating!

Check out this easy pancake recipe https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes/ pancake-recipe













