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The Useless Tree



In this week's Gospel, Jesus related the parable of the fig tree that didn't bear fruit. The message behind the story is that everyone should be given another chance to prove their worth and this is certainly part of what makes St.

Winefride's the school and community that it is today.

World book Day

On Friday we are celebrating World Book Day. As usual we are asking the children to dress up as their favourite character from a book. The children who have the most imaginative and creative costumes will win a prize and have their photo on the POD for everyone to see. We are asking that you donate £1.00, which will be added to our collection for our Lenten appeal which will be given to Cafod. We would also like the children to bring in their favourite book from home and they may have the chance to read part of it to their classmates on the day. Of course the staff will also be joining in the dressing up as well so St. Winefride's will be at its colourful best tomorrow!

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Parking Restrictions

Please remember that the new parking restrictions come into place on Monday 7th March 2016. We have contacted the London Borough of Newham to see if there could be a relaxing of the restrictions but they informed us that as the Little Ilford Parking Zone had been voted in by the local residents there is no chance of lifting or easing the restrictions. Please be careful about where you park in the mornings and afternoons, bear in mind that it is quite likely that Parking Enforcement Officers will be out and about especially during the first few weeks.

Just a gentle reminder that we need every parking space in the front of the church to enable our staff to park their vehicles, indeed we are probably a few spaces short, so please do not be tempted to park in this area!



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Inspired Thinking (Quotes from plays by William Shakespeare)

*"I count myself in nothing else so happy
As in a soul remembering my good friends."*
(Richard II) 2.3.46-7, Bolingbroke to Percy

Mary's Meals – Mini Vinnies

We are delighted to announce that our Mini Vinnies raised a quite a lot of money from their biscuit sale held at the end last half term. The final total was a staggering £87.00. Thank you everyone for your great response to this worthy cause and hope you enjoyed the biscuits!

Parkrun Scores

Name	Runs
Mr McAteer	45
Mr Savin	16
Mr Whitehorn	7
Mrs Baladas	3
Mrs Herron	1
Mr Herron	1
Ben Herron	1
James Herron	1
Mrs Patel	Signed up

More people have joined our Parkrun community, with Mrs Herron, her husband and also Ben and Jimmy joining in the fun. If you would like to join in simply go to www.parkrun.org.uk and sign up. After that just turn up on Saturday and go for a run, it's as simple as that.



Apart from having to run 5k that is. This is a great way to have fun as a family while getting fit at the same time so please consider joining in and please don't forget to let Mr Savin know if you join up so your scores may be added to the table!

Upcoming Assemblies and Events

4/3/16 Cake Sale at Coffee Morning 4/3/16 – Class 6 Assembly 11/3/16 – Class 1&2 Assembly
18/3/16 – No Assembly 25/3/16 – Governors Assembly

24/6/16 – Summer Fete

School Uniform Ordering Online

Don't forget that you are now able to order your children's uniform online. In brief you need to do the following:

1. Go to tesco.com/ues.
2. Select 'Newham' from the Local Education Authority tab.
3. Select St. Winefride's from the School tab.
4. Choose which items you would like and order them!
5. Wait just under 14 days and they will be with you!

Remember that it will be our logo that you will receive, not the red one shown in the images. There are also 'normal' unembroidered clothes available if you require them. The site will go live from next Tuesday, at the moment there are a few items showing that will be part of the new staff uniform, so please do not order the blue polo shirt or the fleeces!



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Mr Savin's Sponsored Run

Mr Savin is taking part in a sponsored run on Sunday 6th March 2016. He is running 10km to help raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund. JDRF are desperately trying find a cure for type 1 diabetes and anything you are able to give will be greatly appreciated. If you are able to donate to this cause please drop into the School Office and sign the form and leave your donation, thank you.



Coffee Morning



This week at Miss Khanom's Coffee Morning there will be a cake sale! Please come along to buy the wonderful cakes which have been baked by our wonderful parents. If you are able to bake some cakes in time for tomorrow bring them along and join in the sale.

Class 7 will also be performing their song from last week's assembly.

Living Eggs

Just in time for Easter our Living Eggs have arrived in school. Some of the eggs have already hatched and the children are really enjoying watching them hatch and grow!



Cycle Confident Training

Over the coming two weeks we have cycle training for initially our Year 5 children and following that our Year 3 & 4 children. There is a notice on the POD but just to make everything clear the Year 5 children must bring in their bikes and helmets (if required) on Monday 7th March and leave them at school until Friday 11th March, when the course finishes.

The Year 3 & 4 children need to bring in their bikes on Monday 14th March and leave them at school until Friday 18th March. Although the Year 3 & 4 course is two sets of two day courses we will not know until the 14th which children are in which class so please bring in your bike on the Monday regardless of which group you are in.

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Cafod Fundraising

Our Lenten fundraising is in full swing and we would like to thank all the parents, children and staff for their fantastic efforts so far. On Wednesday the Phase 1 staff prepared some wonderful food for the rest of the staff and raised the tremendous amount of £77.00 in a single lunch time. A big thank you to everyone who donated to the cause!

Great Cafod Balloon Race



As part of our Cafod Events we are having a 'Great Cafod Balloon Race'. For only £2.50 the children may buy a helium balloon which will have their name on a label. The balloons will be released in the last week of term and we will all be excited to see which balloon travels the furthest. In the past balloons have reached as far as France and Germany so good luck to everyone!

Admin Notices

Finally this week we would like to remind all parents that you must contact the school as soon as your child is going to be absent from school. You may have heard of the government's Prevent Programme, part of this requires us to inform the authorities immediately if a child is 'missing' from school. Therefore a simple phone call to the office will make all our lives easier. Please tell the office why your child is away from school and how long you expect them to be off for, thank you.

This Week's Prayer

Every week we put a prayer in the newsletter, related to the week's Gospel. Please say the prayer with your children.

*Heavenly Father,
We know that you expect good things from your children. Help us live
a life that will be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.*



*God bless you,
Mr Underwood.*

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