

St Winefride's Newsletter

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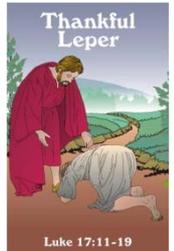
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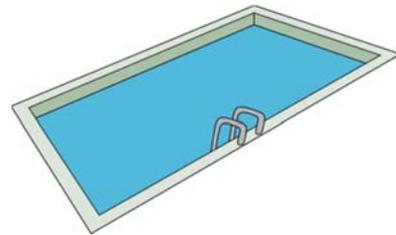
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Be Thankful

Jesus healed ten men who had a terrible skin disease in this week's Gospel, yet only one, a Samaritan, came to thank him. This helps us to remember that when someone does something kind or helpful it is right to thank them. It was wonderful to hear the children, who have been attending swimming lessons, thanking the coach driver for taking them to and from the swimming centre. It is only a small thing but a kind thing to do.



Swimming Lessons



Speaking of the swimming lessons, they have now come to an end for this year. Thank you to all the parents and carers who brought their children in very early to make sure we could arrive at the centre on time. The children had lots of fun and all of them improved their swimming ability over the two weeks of the course.

Before School Clubs

All the Before School Sports Clubs will be back up and running next week, starting with hockey on Monday.

Choir at Australia House

We are delighted to let you know that our choir has been specially chosen to perform at Australia House next Friday. There is a key Commonwealth meeting and Baroness Scotland herself asked for 'Her choir' to attend and sing the Commonwealth Anthem to the visiting dignitaries. Some of the staff are now vying for places on the trip as Australia House was the setting for the dining hall scenes in the Harry Potter films!



Coding Week



Next week is 'Coding Week' and the children will be taking part in activities including a visit from Google Expeditions on Thursday (Y2 to Y6). On Friday afternoon we will be showcasing some of the children's work and demonstrating software, parents may come in to view the work at 3:15pm.



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Karate Champions!

We are delighted to let you know that we have not one but two karate champions at the school! At last weekend's FSKA English Karate Championship in Barkingside Nathan, C7, won gold in Kumite and Elsa won silver in Kumite and bronze in Kata. Kumite is sparring and Kata is a series of carefully rehearsed moves which must be performed perfectly.



Bishop Alan's Visit



Bishop Alan Williams will be visiting the school on Friday 4th November. This is a happy coincidence as it is also the day we celebrate St Winefride's Day at our weekly assembly in church. Did you know that although St Winefride's Day is celebrated by the church on November 3rd, this commemorates her death which actually occurred on November 2nd; however that being All Soul's Day her feast was moved to the next available date!

This Week's Prize Winners

Class of the Week:	C4	Lunchtime Class of the Week:	Reception
Infant Champions:	Reception	Junior Champions:	C10
Attendance:	C10	Punctuality:	Rec, C6, C7, C8, C11
House Point Champions:	St Patrick		

Parkrun

Getting back to running we are happy to let you know that the number of Parkruns racked up by members of the St Winefride's community is rising steadily. If you take part in a Parkrun, or indeed any other sporting activity let Mr Savin know, via the main office, and you too may feature in our newsletter, just like Nathan and Elsa.

Name	Number of Runs	PB
Mr McAteer	75	00:20:07
Mr Savin	45	00:25:35
Mrs Baladas	14	00:25:26
Mr Underwood	9	00:29:48
Mrs Britton	8	00:32:37
Miss Khanom	6	00:30:21

Parish AGM

The Parish Annual General Meeting will be taking place in the school hall after evening mass on Saturday. Everyone is welcome to attend and Father Sean would like to thank everyone in advance for all their help.



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Black History Month

Today we have had both a traditional African storyteller and also an African Drumming session for the children. Both sessions were fantastic, even if one was slightly noisier than the other!



Mini Reports and Parents Evening

The children have all been given their first report of the year. Please take the time to read it carefully and return the reply slip if you have any comments. Don't forget Parents Evening is on Thursday 20th October, (also Wednesday 19th for Class 8) appointments will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Design a Christmas Card

The children have been given an order form and template to design a Christmas Card. If you would like to order your children's designs to send out as cards this year, the design and payment must be returned to school by next Wednesday.



Regional Schools Commissioner

Mr Tim Coulson, the Regional Schools Commissioner has sent us a wonderful letter congratulating the children on achieving such tremendous scores in last year's SATs, even though they were much harder than previous years. A copy of the letter has been sent home to every family separately, we are very proud of how the children performed under the new, very tough, criteria!

Social Media

The recent furore involving clowns, which has been spread by social media, has highlighted the fact that many children in the school have access to 'social media' at home. There have been numerous examples of children telling members of staff that they are scared of the 'clowns' and they had seen them on platforms such as Facebook and snapchat. Please be very careful when letting your children use your phones and tablets etc. as some children are accessing social media sites, which although may seem harmless, do have age restrictions, all of which are set much higher than primary school age children. The image right details the ages at which it is deemed safe for children to access social media sites:



This Week's Prayer

Dear Lord, please answer when we call. Give us relief from our troubles, and have mercy upon us in our time of need. We give thanks with all our heart. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

God Bless You

Mr Underwood



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St Winefride MOBO Awards

The categories for this year's St Winefride's MOBO Awards are:

-  Best African Song
-  Best Gospel Song
-  Best Hip Hop Song
-  Best International Act
-  Best Newcomer
-  Best Reggae Performance
-  Best R'n'B/Soul Performance
-  Best Song
-  Best Retro/Classic Performance
-  Lifetime Achievement Award

Plus special guest appearances by invited guests!

