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Wise Men come to visit Jesus



When the wise men found Jesus after being guided by the star they were full of joy. This may be used as a metaphor for so many different parts of our lives, including, of course the children's journey from Reception to Year 6, being guided by our dedicated staff and experiencing the joy of successfully completing their time here before moving on to their new schools.

Communion Classes

The First Holy Communion Classes for the children will be beginning soon. Fr Sean will be providing details in the Parish Newsletter about the exact start date so keep an eye out!

Applications for Reception Places

Applications for places in our Reception Classes next year are now open!

We now have 60 places available for children to start at St Winefride's in September 2017.

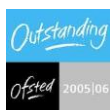
The children must be born between:

01/09/2012 and 31/08/2013

The closing date for applications is 15th January 2017. You may apply at any time before this date, please don't leave it too late! Please call in at the Main Office for more details.

Did you know that if you apply online you are automatically entered into a draw to win money to go towards the purchase of your child's school uniform!

Fr Sean will be placing sheets in the porch of the church with appointment times on them. Please make your appointment as soon as possible as the completed Certificate of Practice needs to be in by 15th January 2017.



Collecting Children

There has been a sharp increase in children being collected late. Please pick up your children promptly.

Data from the Department for Education

Compare school and college performance
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BETA This is a new service – your [feedback](#) will help us to improve it.

Primary (key stage 2) results are now available. We plan to publish 16-18 results and Secondary (key stage 4) revised results on 19th January 2017. [Hide message](#)

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St Winefride's RC Primary School

Primary (key stage 2) performance in 2016



These figures tell you about performance of pupils at this school at [key stage 2](#) (school years 3 to 6), which are the last four years of the primary phase of education. These figures were published in December 2016 and relate to pupils who completed key stage 2 in the summer of 2016.

Progress in reading, writing and maths

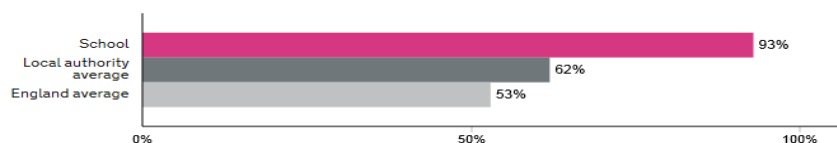
These scores show how much progress pupils at this school made in reading, writing and maths between the end of [key stage 1](#) and the end of [key stage 2](#), compared to pupils across England who got similar results at the end of key stage 1.

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	Reading	Writing	Maths
School progress score	+6.5	+4	+2.2
Confidence interval	+4.7 to +8.3	+2.2 to +5.8	+0.6 to +3.8
Well above national average (about 10% of schools in England)	●	●	
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Percentage of pupils meeting the expected standard in reading, writing and maths

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This week's data from the Department for Education shows how our key Stage 2 results compare with schools both locally and nationally. As you can see the children's results (93% of the children reached the expected standard across all three indicators) were far above the Newham average of 62% and the national average of 52%. Once again, well done to all those involved!

There isn't a school within 75 miles of St Winefride's that does anywhere as well as your children. For the full table please follow this link:

<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/similar/102774?phase=ks2>



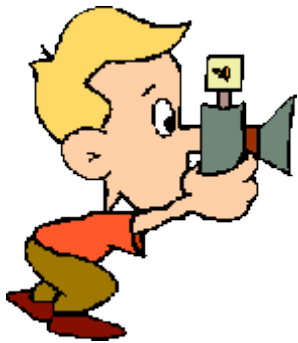
Parent Surveys

The parent surveys are starting to roll in, please take the time to fill it in and return it to the school as soon as possible.



Pupil Premium Registration

One thing that parents and carers could do that would greatly benefit the school is to log on to the following website pps.lgfl.org.uk and register for Pupil Premium this year. For every child that is registered on this website the school receives extra funding that may only be spent on children on this register.



School Photos

We thought we would give you plenty of notice that the photographer will be in on Monday 23rd January to take both individual and family photos, just to give you time to practice your best smiles!

Animation Club

The Animation Club has had to change to a Friday afternoon, all the children attending the club will have received a new permission letter and the club is now full.

West Ham Foundation Football Club

The letters for the West Ham Foundation football club will be sent out today. The children are chosen by the coach as and when he feels they are ready for the club. There may be changes every half term depending on progress and things such as the Year 6 boosters!



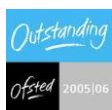
Dates for your Diary

Here is the latest assembly list, as you can see the assembly that Class 3 had to cancel has been moved to Friday 13th January 2017. Also Reception's assembly is now due to take place on Friday 20th January 2017.

Fri 13/1/17 Class 3 Assembly	Fri 20/1/17 Reception Assembly	Monday 23/1/17 School Photographer in
Fri 27/1/17 Class 5 Assembly	Fri 3/2/17 Class 9 Assembly	Fri 10/2/17 INSET DAY Children not in school

Half Term Break Return to school Monday 20th February 2017

Fri 24/2/17 Class 4 Assembly	Fri 3/3/17 Class 8 Assembly and World Book Day	W/c 6/3/17 Cycle Confident level 1 & 2 Training
Fri 10/3/17 Class 7 Assembly	Fri 17/3/17 Class 6 Assembly	Fri 24/3/17 Class 5 Assembly
Fri 31/3/17 Music Assembly	Fri 7/4/17 Governor's Assembly	



Year 6 Booster Classes

The Year 6 Booster Classes have begun. They will take place on Wednesday and Thursday until the Easter Holiday.

New Year Resolutions

Have you made any New Year's resolutions? If not, there's still time, and Pope Francis has some ideas for you.

These are the ten things that he called upon Vatican employees to do:

1. Take care of your spiritual life.
2. Take care of your family life.
3. Take care of your relationships with others.
4. Be careful how you speak.
5. Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness.
6. Look after your work, doing it with enthusiasm.
7. Be careful of envy, lust, hatred and negative feelings.
8. Watch out for anger that can lead to vengeance.
9. Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker.
10. Making sure your Christmas is about Jesus and not about shopping.



Director of BCCS

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is looking for a new Director. This charity achieves so much for children and young people and their families across the Brentwood Diocese and the right person will find the role of leading BCCS to be most rewarding. This Catholic Charity is based on strong foundations of Catholic Social Teaching that enable us to help children of all faiths and none.

If you would like to be considered as the next Director of BCCS please ask the current Director for an Application Pack by emailing Steven at swebb@bccs.org.uk

If you know someone else who might be interested please pass on this message to them.

The closing date for applications is Friday 3rd February (noon).

This Week's Prayer

This week please join with your children in saying this prayer;

Dear Lord Jesus,

We seek you today because we want to worship you and crown you as our King. We are thankful for the Bible which we have been given to lead us to you. Amen.

God Bless You, Mr Underwood ¹⁰⁹

