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## This Week's Gospel (Mark 4:26-34)



On Sunday Mark told us how Jesus shared the parable of the mustard seed, in which describes how smallest seed may grow into the greatest of shrubs, where a bird may make a nest in its shadow. Similarly the children come to St Winefride's as small as it seems possible and leave having grown and prospered and having allowed the staff to spend some precious time with them as they journey through life.

### Hot Weather

You may have noticed that summer seems to have arrived (again) and looks like it will be sticking around for Sports Week! As the children will be spending more time than usual in the playground next week please apply suncream, as necessary, before they come to school and a hat would be a very good idea, ask Mr Kenny as he knows the perils of not wearing a hat in the sun!



## Sports Week



All of the children will be taking part in lots of different sports during next week. Therefore we would like all of the children to wear their PE kits to school from Monday to Thursday next week. However we would also like the children to wear a top in their House Colour if possible. Just to remind you St Andrew is BLUE, St David is YELLOW, St George is RED and St Patrick is GREEN. Any shade of the colour is perfectly alright and if you do not have anything in that colour do not worry as we have plenty of bibs for the children to wear.



















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### Graduations

We have a couple of graduations coming up in the next few weeks. The Brilliant Club will be going to Oxford for their graduation on 9th July and two days later, on 11th July, we will be holding our first ever Reception Graduation! More details will follow, but all Reception parents are invited to watch as their children complete their Reception Year and get ready for Year 1.

## Summer Fete Tickets

Summer Fete tickets are now on sale from the School Office priced at 50p each, please buy as many as you are able to as, once again the fete will be a cash free zone.





### **School Photos**

The School Photo proofs are back and you need to return them and your payment by Wednesday 27th June if you would like to purchase your child's

## Fete and International Month Update

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to the Coffee Morning to offer help and ideas for the fete. We will be in tough shortly to let you know what needs doing! If you are interested in helping out please get in touch, you do not have to attend Coffee Mornings to help out!

Similarly if you would like to come into school and talk to the children about your country, show them traditional cloths or a dance etc., during International Month please contact us on:



info@st-winefrides.newham.sch.uk or pop in to the School Office.

their name written on the label) as it can get very sunny in the playground. Furthermore, please do not send your children into school wearing winter coats as they may quickly overheat in this weather!

# Healthy Eating

Just a reminder that we are a 'Healthy Eating' school. We have noticed that some children are bringing in crisps, sweets and chocolate for their break time snacks. If the children are found to have these items on them they will be confiscated and returned to you at the end of the day. Please do not send sweet snacks etc. to school with your children and also please advise them that they should **NOT** buy such treats in the local shops before school.

## Trips and Events

We have the follwing trips and events coming up: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Reception to Willow Farm Wednesday 4th July 4M & 5K to Velodrome for













Go Run for Fun (provisional)









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## Parent Surveys

Once again it is that time of year where we let you know how the Parent Surveys went! Again they were very positive and we thank you very much for taking the time to complete them and also for your great support, below is the analysis of the first three questions, the remaining questions will follow by the end of the year,

#### Question 1. My child is happy at school

In this category virtually all of the parent/carers, that responded felt that their child was happy at St Winefride's. Obviously this is a very pleasing result, however work must be done to ensure that in future all parent/carers feel that their child is happy at St Winefride's.

#### Question 2. My child feels safe at school

Again almost every respondent indicated that their child felt safe at St Winefride's. Although it is disappointing that any parent/carer would feel that their child is not safe at St Winefride's, 98% of respondents agreeing with the statement is very positive as if a child does not feel safe they cannot be expected to learn effectively.

#### Question 3. My child feels safe online

This is new question introduced this year. While it is not strictly a school issue as the children at St Winefride's, are as safe as they can be at school, due to safety filters and strict supervision, it was felt the it would be worthwhile raising the parent/carers awareness around the subject. This question proved by far the hardest for the parent/carers to answer with over 14% answering 'Don't Know', the vast majority of whom, were those with children in Reception. This is to be expected as these are the children who, you would assume, have the most restricted access to the internet, and most access they have will be monitored closely. The school holds regular online safety session for both the children and their parent/carers as well as highlighting issues in the newsletter as they arise. Therefore the fact that 97% of parent/carers that expressed an opinion, other than 'Don't Know', thought that their child is safe online is a reassuring result, although this is likely to be an area that requires very careful monitoring in the future.

## Cycle Training

Congratulations to the following children for taking part in the Cycle confident Level 2 cycle training:

Michaela, Jane, Jennifer, Cedric, Obinna, Hannah and Blessing.

If you would like to have some free training yourself, or indeed as a family contact the London Borough of Newham at:

Cycle.Training@Newham.gov.uk

Richard.Wadey@newham.gov.uk, 020 3373 4011

Or go to the following website:

https://www.cycleconfident.com/sponsors/newham/

# Labels in Jumpers

Not necessarily jumpers only but in this hot weather the children WILL take off their jumpers and **DO** leave them all over the school. Please ensure that your children's name is securely attached to their clothing. If you have written the name on to the label please remember to redo it after it has been washed as we often come across clothing where it is possible to see a very faint but unreadable name.



















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# Cough Syrup Recall

One of our parent/carers has brought to our attention the fact that certain own brand makes of Blackcurrant Cough Syrup have been recalled due to the growth of mould in the containers, the government advice is:

People should check bottles of some own-brand children's blackcurrant cough syrup to see if they need a replacement.

A problem with one of the ingredients in these medicines has been identified which could cause them to allow mould to grow. There is a low risk that the mould could make the child unwell or cause a reaction, although to date we are not aware of any cases where this has happened. As a precaution it has been decided to recall affected batches.

Only a small number of batches from 8 different products are being recalled. No other cough syrups are affected. Go to:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/precautionary-recall-childrens-blackcurrant-cough-syrup

for more details

# This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer; Father God,

Help us to grow big and strong and to learn all about You and how You want us to live,
Thank You for loving us so much

Amen.



















