



Summer No. 7  
3rd July 2018

## This Week's Gospel (Mark 5:21-43)



On Sunday Mark told us how Jesus raised a girl from the dead after telling his father that she was only sleeping. Jesus performed this miracle to show that those who have true faith will be rewarded. We must all hope that our faith is true and we too will join Jesus and His Father in Heaven. Remember to be kind and to help others, especially in these times of austerity, and to think kindly of people who may not be as fortunate as ourselves.

## Hot Weather

You may have noticed that summer still seems to be here! As the children will be spending more lots of time in the playground this week and next as we finish off the sporting activities, please apply suncream, as necessary, before they come to school and a hat would be a very good idea, Mr Savin always wears one even to be safe in the sun!



## Sports Week

Thank you to everyone for sending your children in wearing House colours last week, it made things a lot easier for the staff organising the Sports Week. We have a few events still to finish off but it all went very well. The highlight was the Year 5 and 6 World Cup Final complete with a fantastic display by the Cheerleaders at halftime. We will be finishing off the last few activities this week and next, in time for the Annual Prize Day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July!

School Closes at 1:30pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## 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 9<sup>th</sup> July and two days later, on 11<sup>th</sup> July, we will be holding our first ever Reception Graduation! More details will follow, but all Reception parents/carers are invited to watch as their children complete their Reception Year and get ready for Year 1.

## Summer Fete

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who helped out at the Summer Fete on Friday, we couldn't have done it without you!

*Thank  
you*



## WhatsApp

We have had a few reports that children are sending messages to

each other that have been upsetting to the recipient via WhatsApp. While they do not equate to bullying, they are nevertheless unacceptable. As a school we have a duty to remind you that the lower age limit for most social media apps, including WhatsApp is 13. This means that for the children to be on these social media platforms they have put in an incorrect date of birth and are thereby leaving themselves open to harm from older users who may think they are older than they are. If you allow your child to use your mobile phone, please ensure that you have instigated all the relevant parental controls.



**WhatsApp**

## International Carnival

We have made the decision to move the Carnival into the church on Friday. Bizarrely there are predictions of both 30°C heat and also heavy rain for Friday, so we feel the safest option is to take it indoors! Please come along at the normal time on Friday for our Carnival celebration.

## INSET Day change of date

It may seem a long way off but we are moving the INSET day due for the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018. The updated calendar will be on the website soon.



## Trips and Events

We have the following trips and events coming up:

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	4M & 5K to Velodrome for Go Run for Fun
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	International Carnival & Fr Denis Cup
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Parish Fun Day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Brilliant Club Graduation
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Graduation
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Prize Day
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Manor Park Festival



## Manor Park Festival

The Summer Reading Challenge is being launched with a special Festival on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July. It will take place at Manor Park Library and will have lots of fun activities for all the family, please contact the Manor Park Community Neighbourhood team on 020 3373 0858 or email [CN.Manorpark@newham.gov.uk](mailto:CN.Manorpark@newham.gov.uk) for more details.

## Parish Fun Day

The Parish are holding a summer Fun Day on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July straight after Mass. There will be lots of exciting things to do so please come along!

## 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 questions 4 to 8 the remaining questions will follow by the end of the year,

### **Question 4. My child is making good progress at school**

A very satisfying 100% of parent/carers thought that their child is making good progress. The SLT investigated whether the termly school reports needed adjusting last year to show children's progress even more clearly than they do at the present and the resulting change seems to have borne fruit.

### **Question 5. My child is well looked after**

For this question 97% of parent/carers considered that their child was well looked after. While it is a very high result the school will redouble its efforts to ensure that every parent/carer agrees with this statement next year.

### **Question 6. My child is taught well at this school**

Pleasingly every parent that responded indicated that their child is taught well at St Winefride's. The staff (and governors) at the school are very proud of this achievement.



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### Question 7. My child receives appropriate homework

From experience this question is usually a provocative question. Parent/carers will disagree/strongly disagree and agree/strongly agree for exactly the same reason, some will think it too easy, some too hard. In this context only one parent/carer disagreeing, (this was, in part, more to do with seeing the homework after it had been marked, rather than the appropriateness) can be seen to be an endorsement of the homework policy at the school, especially as the format introduced after the first of these annual surveys, seems to be continuing to work very effectively.

### Question 8. The school makes sure that the children are well behaved

For this question a 92% positive response is very welcome, although some parent/carers answering 'Don't Know' could be seen as slightly concerning as all of these responses came from Year 4 and up, by which stage you would assume that the parent/carers would have a strong feel for the ethos of the school and how the school ensure their behaviour is acceptable at all times. We will therefore reissue the school's 'Behaviour for Learning Policy' to reassure those parent/carers who may be unaware of it.

## 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.

## Summer Holidays

*Just a reminder that the Summer Holidays for the children start at 1:30pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The children are due back on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018.*

## This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer;

*Dear Father, we are thankful for the love that you have for your children. Help us, your children, to remember that all things are possible if we only believe and trust in you. In Jesus' name we pray.*

*Amen.*

*God Bless You,*



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