

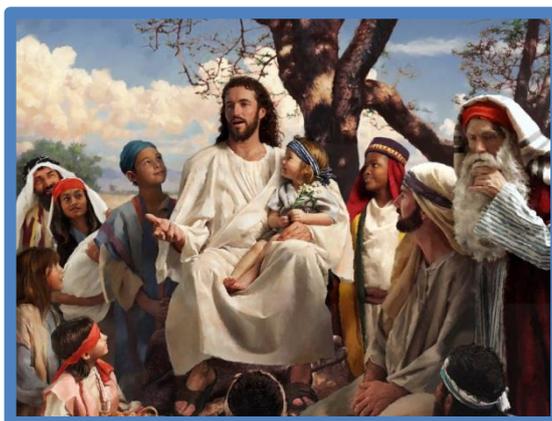
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This Week's Gospel (Mark 9:30-37)



This week's Gospel tells us how Jesus predicted His death for a second time. We must remember that although this seems like terrible news it was actually heralding the beginning of Christianity. Jesus also said:

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

Just as Jesus welcomed children into His heart so do we at St Winefride's and we hope that every child has fond memories of their time here. We are now including the Gospel for the coming Sunday as we feel it is more relevant than using the previous week's.

Year 6 Trip to Osmington Bay

The annual Residential Trip is almost over. If you would like to see photos of what the children have been up to please either follow the link on our school website's home page or the one below:

<https://sites.google.com/st-winefrides.newham.sch.uk/ob18/home>

The children are leaving Dorset at about 2:00pm and we are expecting them back at school at around 7:00pm. The staff will be keeping in touch with the school to let us know if there are any changes to this timetable.



Swimming Lessons



The swimming lessons at the Aquatic Centre are also finishing today, thank you for your cooperation in collecting your children later than usual during the past two weeks. The children have really enjoyed themselves and it has been a great success.

Asthma Inhalers/Epipens

If your child requires asthma inhaler or Epipen please check that it has not expired. Your doctor will provide you with an inhaler for use at school. If your child has recently been diagnosed with asthma please contact Mrs Britton so that we may organise an Asthma card for them.



Coffee Morning

Miss Khanom's Coffee Morning will continue next week on Friday. Preparations are already underway for the Macmillan 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' so please pop along and see how you can join in the fun! We are asking for donations of Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Cakes and Treats (please ensure that all goods are nut free) to sell on the day to make money for this wonderful charity. While homemade cakes are undoubtedly delicious we will only be able to sell them to staff and parent/carers. We are planning to serve every child either a glass of juice or a mug of hot Chocolate and we are asking for a donation of 50p per child to cover this. We will be holding a cake sale at break times and if there are items left we will sell them after school on the Friday. Please let us know if you are available to help out.



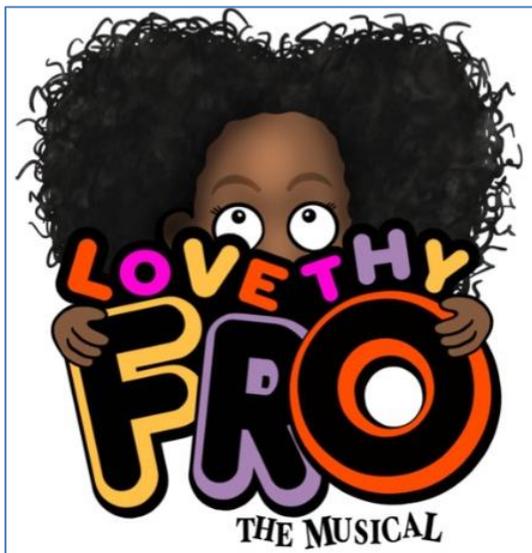
After School Clubs

The West Ham United After School Football Club will be starting on Tuesday 25th September and Mr Brown's After School Sports Club will be starting on Thursday 27th September. Letters will be handed out on Monday. The Cheerleading Club will be starting on Monday 1st October.



Black History Month

In just a weeks' time, we will be celebrating Black History Month once again. We would like our parent/carers to join in with the celebration by either coming in to school and telling the children about your lives and experiences, or by helping in any way you can. If you or a relative have experiences that you would like to share with the children please call in to discuss this with us and we will arrange a suitable time and date for you to share these memories and tales. If any parent/carer has a suggestion of an activity they would like us to provide, again please pop in and let us know.



We are very interested in attending an exciting new musical in Peckham called "Love Thy Fro" which was suggested by one our parent/carers. Tickets are selling fast so if we are asking for 30 children on a first come first served basis to apply for tickets. The cost will be £15.00 each which will include coach travel. Ever more excitingly we are taking part in activities created by the writer of "Love thy Fro", Casey Elisha and are also trying to sort out a day where she will come into the school to read the book to the children herself. Unfortunately this may be later in the year as she is a very busy person! We are still waiting for the resource pack to arrive, but fear not it will get here in time, or so we have been told! This year sees the return of the St Winefride's MOBO's, posters advertising the different acts will soon be up around the school.

On the subject of posters we are asking the children to produce a set of posters for Black History month, these will range from advertising the MOBO's as we mentioned to asking for volunteers, to celebrating significant people from both here and around the world. We are looking forward very much to see what they come up with!



Technology and the Way of the World?

There are some exciting new developments which will be happening in the next two or three weeks. We are switching over to using Chrome Books rather than lap tops and along with some fantastic Virtual Reality equipment the children's learning looks to be heading in a whole new amazing direction. We are switching to using Google Chrome, which may not seem that interesting to most people it does allow us to make life easier for most people at the school. We have found that parent/carers ask about the newsletter and why they didn't receive a copy, so we have taken the decision to move the newsletter to an electronic version only, starting in



about three weeks' time. To make this easier to access we are recommending that you download the "Parent Comms" App from the Play Store or itunes. It is very simple to set up and once you have done so you will receive a notification every time the school's 'Open Check' status is changed. You will then just have to follow a link and it will take you straight to the newsletter. We will also print a paper copy which will be displayed on the notice board in the playground and some copies may be available in the reception area.

Maths News (Technology continued)

All maths homework will now be online at www.mymaths.co.uk. All the children should have received their usernames and passwords, if not please ask your child's teacher for the



information. By issuing the homework in this fashion the children will be able to go through a lesson, if they wish, or just go straight to the questions, which will be marked as soon as they complete them. The MyMaths scheme of work was available to view at

today's Coffee Morning and those who saw it were very impressed. It was pointed out that not everyone has a computer at home so again technology is coming to our aid! The 'Puffin Academy' App, once more available from both itunes and the Play Store, allows you to access MyMaths on ipads, tablets, iphones and android phones alike. Please let us know if you use this and how it works.



St Winefride's Icon



Our ninth Icon is the wonderful Aretha Franklin, nominated by Miss Rougier. Please keep an eye out for the posters around the school and in each class. Aretha sadly passed away on 16th August, it was somehow fitting that the 'Queen of Soul' died on the anniversary of the death of the 'King of Rock'n'Roll' Elvis Presley. She will be remembered for her stupendous back catalogue of songs including "I Say a Little Prayer", "Who's Zoomin' Who", "I Knew You Were Waiting", "Chain of Fools" and of course "Respect". However she was also immersed and involved in the struggle for civil rights and women's rights. She provided money for civil rights groups, at times covering payroll, and performed at benefits and protests. Aretha Franklin was also a strong supporter for Native American rights. She quietly and without fanfare supported Indigenous Peoples' struggles

worldwide, and numerous movements that supported Native American and First Nation cultural rights. The world will really miss Miss Franklin.



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<http://www.st-winefrides.newham.sch.uk/files/Privacy-Notice.pdf>

It is quite long but is divided into sections so you may read the most relevant section for yourself.

Ruth Miskin Literacy

We are delighted to let you know that we have been recognised as a 'Ruth Miskin Trained School' for the fifth year in a row. This means our staff have been recognised as being proficient in teaching the children how to read and write using the Ruth Miskin Phonics system. Well done to everyone!



Best in Newham

We are delighted to announce that, once again we have received an award from the London borough of Newham for achieving the best results in Newham for last year's SATs, well done to everyone involved from parent/carers to school staff but most of all to the wonderful children who achieved so much while they were with us.

This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer;

Heavenly Father,

Give us a servant's heart. A heart like Jesus. In his name we pray.

Amen.

God Bless You,

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