

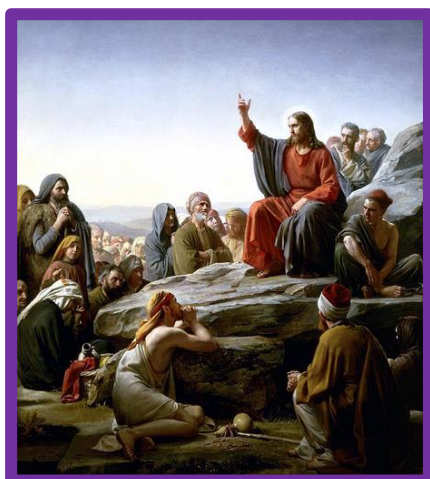
Church Road,  
Manor Park,  
London E12 6HB.  
020 8478 0510  
info@st-winefrides.newham.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mr Paul Underwood



Autumn No. 4  
28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

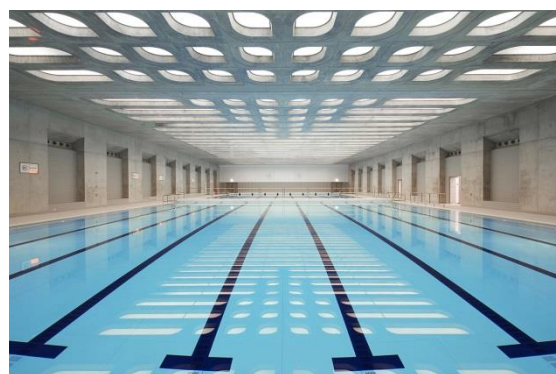
## This Week's Gospel (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)



This Gospel on Sunday will tell us how Jesus admonishes His disciples when they tell Him how they stopped someone carry out good work in His name as, "He was not one of us." Jesus responds by saying, "... no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, for whoever is not against us is for us..." Jesus is happy that people are prepared to do His work and will of their own volition and we should all aim to be like Him and do good things for everyone.

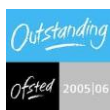
## Swimming Lessons

The swimming lessons at the Aquatic Centre have now finished and the children will be getting their certificates soon. We would highly recommend that this should not be the end of the children's experience of swimming. If you are able please let the children continue swimming by either attending more lessons or by going to a pool at the weekends and during the school holidays. The London Borough of Newham usually offer fantastic deals where swimming is either very inexpensive or even free for children during the holidays, so please consider it if you can.

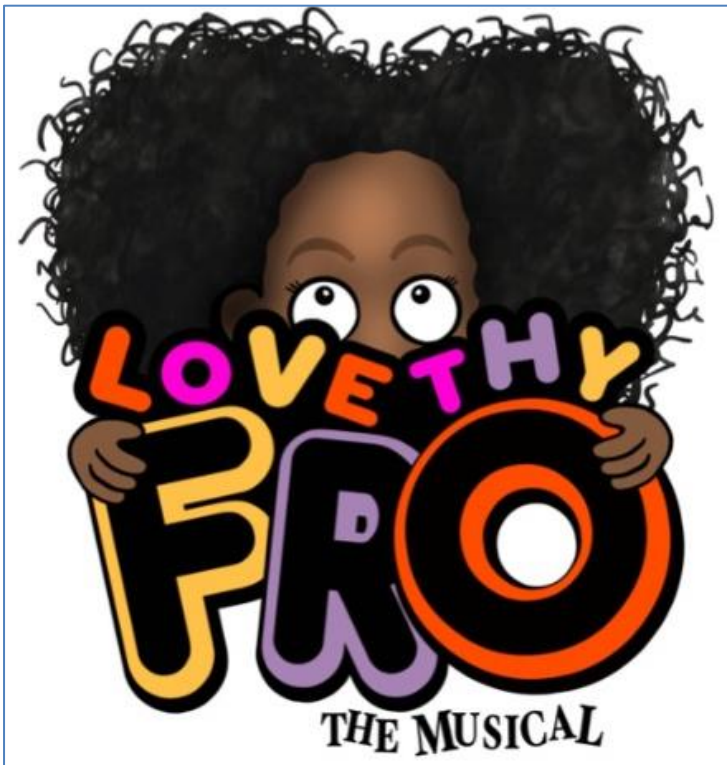


## Coffee Morning

Miss Khanom's Coffee Morning will continue next week on Friday as usual. This week saw us take part in the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' in aid of Macmillan. A huge thank you to everyone who donated, helped out, bought coffee, tea or cakes or took part in any way. Special thanks to Miss Khanom and Mrs Brosnan for organising the event. We will give you an update of the total raised once everything is tidied away and counted!



## Black History Month



On Monday we will begin celebrating Black History Month once again. Among the events happening this year is our visit to the 'Love Thy Fro' Musical in Peckham. We originally aimed to take about 30-40 children but the response was so overwhelming that, after negotiating with the author herself, Casey Elisha, we have managed to boost our seat allocation to over 100. However we know that there are still more children who would like to go but we cannot obtain any more tickets. Therefore we are making a waiting list and if any of the children already booked to go are unable to confirm their place by paying for their tickets by next Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018 we will offer the place/s to the next child/ren on the waiting list.

We, must at this point, give a huge thank you to Mileyamaia's mum for telling us about this musical so that we were able to

offer it to the children. It was exactly the kind of cooperation and input that we were so eager to have from our wonderful parents, so once again thank you very much!

Even more exciting news is that Casey Elisha is coming to our school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October to read her book 'Love Thy Fro' on which the musical is based. She will be spending about 45 minutes with each class' 1D, 1/2H and 2B. As well as reading her book she will be leading activities with them and it all sounds really exciting!

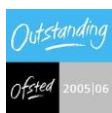
We are also receiving a visit from Greg Francis, a former world championship silver medallist in karate. He was also English and British Champion, is the Head of Delegation for the national team and was one of the youngest ever magistrates (Justice of the Peace) in the country, when he was appointed at the age of 28. He will be coming in to give an aspirational talk to the year 6 classes and we will give the exact date once he is able to confirm it, he is a very busy man!

We would like our parent/carers to join in with the celebration by either coming in to school and telling the children about their 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, just like Mileyamaia's mum did.

This year sees the return of the St Winefride's MOBO's, posters advertising the different acts will soon be up around the school. Only one act has been confirmed so far this year but there are still a couple weeks until the final list of acts and nominees is drawn up.

## After School Clubs

The Cheerleading Club will be starting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October. The West Ham United After School Football Club will be starting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and Mr Brown's After School Sports Club will be starting on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Letters about After School Clubs should be returned to Mr Savin.



## Year 6 Trip to Osmington Bay

The annual Residential Trip is now over and dusted. 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>

## Technology and a visit to the Danish Embassy

You may recall that last week we mentioned how technology is changing how we work and learn in the school, one of the main changes will be the move to chrome books and Google Accounts



for all the children where they will be able to create portfolios of their work that will be able to follow them on their whole journey through school. To help us in this endeavour we are partnering with Wizkidz, a Danish based company who are at the forefront of educational technology. Working closely with Google Education they are leading the way in revolutionising



how children are taught. To celebrate this partnership we were invited to the Danish Embassy and Mr Underwood and Mr McAteer both went along and had a very enjoyable evening listening to education leaders giving lectures on the future of education. There was, however, no sign of any Ferrero Rocher. We are strongly 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. Very

soon we will be putting alerts on 'Open Check' when the newsletter is available and you will then just have to follow a link and it will take you straight to it (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](http://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

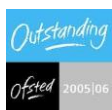
the questions, which will be marked as soon as they complete them. There are also educational maths games based on the subject they are learning to further reinforce their grasp of the concept. The 'Puffin Academy' App, once more available from both itunes and the Play Store, allows you to access MyMaths on ipads, tablets, iphones and android phones alike. You may need to search for MyMaths in the search bar once you have opened the app and then use your child's MyMaths username and login as usual. Please let us know if you use this and how it works.



## Mobile Phone Policy



Please remember that it is a school policy, introduced by the Governing Board, that St Winefride's is a Mobile Free Zone. Please do not use mobile phones for any purpose while on the school premises.



## Commonwealth Youth Choir



The children of the Commonwealth Youth Choir visited Christ's College Cambridge on Wednesday to take part in a special celebration in honour of Jane Stapleton, the first woman to become Master of Christ's College. The children sang with the famous Christ's college choir and were conducted by Major Haw of the Coldstream Guards. As usual the children were complimented on both their singing and excellent behaviour.

## Pull the Door!

The School Office staff have asked us to remind you that you need to PULL the front door to open it! Also if you have been buzzed through the main gate you do not need to press the bell at the front door as the office staff are able to see you through the glass.

## World War One Project

The Newham Recorder visited the school on Thursday to see the wonderful work the Year 6 children are doing on their World War I project. The article will be appearing in the Newham Recorder soon.

## Design and Technology Week

Next week is not only the start of Black History Month but it is also Design and Technology Week. Keep an eye out for any requests for materials etc. There will be a show of the children's creations once the week has ended.

## Year 6 Transition Meeting

Next Wednesday there is a transition to secondary school meeting for the Year 6 parents. It will begin at 3:30pm.

## Tate Year 3 Project

We are delighted to announce that we will be taking part in the Tate Year 3 Project which is being organised by Oscar winning director and artist, Steve McQueen. He is hoping to take a photo of every Year 3 class in London to make the biggest ever group photo exhibition in the world. More details and permission slips will be sent out soon. The photo shoot is booked in for March next year and the project should be a fascinating insight into the diversity of this great city.



## This Week's Prayer

Please join with your children in saying this prayer;

*Heavenly Father, we are thankful to be part of your family.*

*Help us to rejoice and be glad when we see other members of your family doing good things.*

*In Jesus' name we pray.*

*Amen.*

*God Bless You,*

