Newsletter

St. Wilfrid's News

Friday 15th March 2024

Well done!

A huge well done to our fabulous children for their excellent effort in this week's Lent Walk at Gateshead Stadium. The children have been learning about the fishing communities in Liberia who are the focus of Cafod's fundraising this Lent. To donate, visit https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/big-lent-walk



Attendance - Every Moment Counts!

We have carefully planned our curriculum to allow children to do their best and succeed in their education. For them to be truly successful, children need to attend school on time every day.

Soon, we will continue our focus on improving attendance with monitoring letters which will offer you support if your child's attendance is below our target of 97%. Further information to follow.

This week's attendance winners are Reception class for the second week in a row! Well done!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4/5	Year 5/6
97.9%	94.4%	91.2%	89%	93.4%	96.5%

Punctuality and Progress

We have noticed a big improvement in punctuality over recent weeks. This is contributing to a more settled start to the day and ensures children do not miss vital parts of their lessons. Thank you for your efforts in ensuring children are at school by 8.45.





Breakfast Club

From the beginning of Summer Term, Breakfast Club will be charged at £1 per day. We feel this offers great value for money to families as children will receive an hour of childcare and a healthy breakfast. Charging this small fee will enable us to continue to offer Breakfast Club provision to our families.

We understand that there may be families who are unable to pay for Breakfast Club places. If this is the case for your family, please get in touch and we will help you.

Breakfast Club is currently in high demand. If you no longer require the spaces you have booked, please cancel them on Arbor or by contacting the school office so that we can offer places to others.

School Rules

At St. Wilfrid's, we have very high expectations of our children. We want them to learn successfully in an environment that is calm and purposeful. We follow three very important rules in school to help us to achieve this.

We are respectful.
We are responsible.
We are ready to learn.



Parents can help by reinforcing behaviour expectations with their children at home, using these rules in conversations about behaviour.

PE

On PE days, please can children attend school dressed in their PE uniform, with suitable trainers. The days for PE this half term are:

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Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday	Monday	Monday
Friday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday	Y4 Swimming Friday	Friday



Facebook

Wilfrid's Brand New Facebook Page

We are looking forward to sharing school news and events with families on Facebook. Please remember that Facebook messenger inboxes will not be checked regularly and communication with school should still be made via the office; in person, by telephone or by email.

New Website

Our brand new website will be launched next week. It will be an up to date site with lots of information, policies and news. We will be in touch with you when it goes live.

Dates for Your Diary

Mon 18th - Wed 20th March - Year 5 and 6 residential Ford Castle
Fri 22nd March - Celebration Assembly led by Year 2 - hall 2.45pm
Mon 25th March - Mass - Rec to Y6
Tues 26th March - Easter Egg competition - further details to follow
Wed 27th March - Palm Sunday Celebration of the Word led by Year 3
Thurs 28th March - Stations of the Cross

Thursday 28th March School closes for Easter Holiday.

Achievements Out of School

We would love to know about your child's achievements out of school. Please let us know if you have any successes for us to share in our newsletter.





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FAMILY SUPPORT



Being a parent or carer is not an easy job and sometimes things can get tough.

I can help you!



Hello. My name is Naomi Cairns and I am the
Family Support Worker at St. Wilfrid's.
I am here to work in partnership with you to
ensure that all children enjoy school and are safe
and happy.



My main aim is to listen, support and advise. I am a friendly listening ear for those times when families are faced with challenges.

I can also help by referring and signposting you to local services that you may be entitled to access.





Get in touch..

Contact me for an informal chat or to book an in-person appointment 0191 4771909

Alternatively, get intouch by email info@stwg.bwcet.com

I am available on Wedesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Contact me for...

- *Parent support and advice
- Confidence building
- Signposting to agencies and services
- Support with positive behavior and routines
- ·Support with financial difficulties
- ·Support with pupil attendance and punctuality
- Liaison between school and home

Gospel - Sunday 17th March 2024

John 12:20-33

Some Greeks were among those who had gone to Jerusalem to worship during the festival. They went to Philip (he was from Bethsaida in Galilee) and said, "Sir, we want to see Jesus."

Philip went and told Andrew, and the two of them went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has now come for the Son of Man to receive great glory. I am telling you the truth: a grain of wheat remains no more than a single grain unless it is dropped into the ground and dies. If it does die, then it produces many grains. Those who love their own life will lose it; those who hate their own life in this world will keep it for life eternal. Whoever wants to serve me must follow me, so that my servant will be with me where I am. And my Father will honour anyone who serves me.

"Now my heart is troubled—and what shall I say? Shall I say, 'Father, do not let this hour come upon me'? But that is why I came—so that I might go through this hour of suffering. Father, bring glory to your name!"

Then a voice spoke from heaven, "I have brought glory to it, and I will do so again."

The crowd standing there heard the voice, and some of them said it was thunder, while others said, "An angel spoke to him!"

But Jesus said to them, "It was not for my sake that this voice spoke, but for yours. Now is the time for this world to be judged; now the ruler of this world will be overthrown. When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to me." (In saying this he indicated the kind of death he was going to suffer.)



Mass Times

St. Wilfrid's - Saturday 5.00pm

St. Joseph's - Sunday 10.00am



