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Friday 13th September 2024

Whole School
Attendance

97.9%

Welcome to St Winefride's Catholic Primary School where we 'Learn, Laugh, Listen, Live and Love' in the presence of Jesus.

'Let Your Light Shine.' Matthew 5:16



A message from Mrs Davies to all our families....



This week has been our first full week back after the summer break and there is a real learning buzz around school. Our children in Reception have settled into school life wonderfully with the help of our Year 6 children who are gentle, kind, caring and supportive role models. Thank you to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. Children are fully immersed in their learning across all areas of the curriculum. Visiting classrooms and speaking with the children is a real joy as it is evident that they are enjoying their learning and they are excited about what is to come. All children are working hard, as expected, showing our core value of **EXCELLENCE** in abundance. Thank you to all teaching staff and support staff for supporting the children, in what has been a smooth and successful start to a new academic year.



Thank you to all families for their engagement in our new ordering system for lunches. This has been successful and whilst there have been a few teething problems, overall it has been a great success. As I mentioned in my newsletter last week, we hoping to use our website platform SPIDER to support in other operational areas of the school. Just a gentle reminder that snack (KS2 children only) should be ordered, by your child, each day, in school. We ask that this is not pre ordered at home. Having had the pleasure of dining with the children, I can say that the quality of the food is excellent. The children and staff have commented that the menu is appealing and the food is delicious. Thank you to Soo, Katherine, Judith and Sally for preparing a variety of delicious meals for our children and staff.



We pride ourselves on the extra curricular offer that we have here at St Winefride's—there is something for everyone! Mr Mills' clubs started this week and they have been well attended. I would like to highlight a new club on offer to our KS2 children—Boxercise. This will encourage children to keep active in a fun way—fitness, strength and conditioning. All clubs, led by our teaching staff, will commence next week. Please ensure that you sign up using our School Spider app. A letter has been emailed to you today outlining clubs available and a paper copy will come home, with your child, this evening.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend—let's hope the weather is kind to you. Mrs Davies

FOREST SCHOOL FUN



Our Forest School sessions commenced this week. Year 6 had a wonderful morning of Forest School learning together, with the focus upon mathematics. They showed great teamwork skills and the core value of resilience as they took on number challenges, rewarded with hot chocolate and delicious marshmallows around the campfire. A memorable experience for all! The Forest School Leader, Mr Parker, commented upon how impressed he was with the children. They worked incredibly hard; they were polite, well mannered and articulate and they displayed an 'I CAN' attitude throughout despite the weather conditions. He also commented upon our wonderful school grounds and expressed that our children are very fortunate to have such a wonderful outdoor space!



School Grounds Development

There has been a lot of work that has been carried out inside school and within our school grounds, this summer. Many areas have been painted inside—thank you Mr Town. We are always striving to make our environment the best that it can be for our children, staff and families. Our EYFS provision is going to be developed this academic year and we are very excited about this, as are staff and children. I will keep you updated with the ongoing developments as will your children. It is exciting that the children can experience these developments first hand.

[Meet the Teacher Sessions - a reminder that our 'Meet the Teacher sessions will be held on the dates and times below:](#)

Monday 23rd September 2024

3.45pm—Parents of children in Year 5

4.15pm—Parents of children in Year 1

4.45pm—Parents of children in Year 3

Monday 30th September 2024

3.45pm—Parents of children in Reception

3.45pm—Parents of children in Year 6

4.15pm—Parents of children in Year 4

4.45pm—Parents of children in Year 2.

Thursday 19th September (am) Forest School Session—Year 5.

Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing—long trousers, long sleeves and wellingtons/ old trainers. Waterproofs are needed in the event of rain.