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Friday 4th October

Whole School
Attendance

96.7%

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....

The Autumn weather has certainly arrived and coats are most definitely an essential item for school. Please ensure that your child has a coat and hat/ gloves/scarf as the temperature begins to drop. Please may I ask that children and parents stick to the path when entering and leaving the school grounds rather than walking across the grass. I know that this can sometimes be a challenge, due to space, but if we all work together, then the children will remain smart and clean and the grounds well maintained.

Thank you once again to everyone for supporting our Macmillan coffee event last Friday. I am pleased to share that we raised a total of £59.00. Some of you may be aware that Asda are running a campaign called CASH FOR SCHOOLS which is a great opportunity to raise funds for our school if you shop at Asda. If you ever shop at Asda, it won't cost you anything to register and nominate our school. All money raised will be used to buy equipment for the children to use at playtime and lunchtime. Just follow the link here: <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>.

You may remember, at the end of the summer term, last academic year, I shared with you that our school has been awarded GOLD award in recognition of the excellent PE teaching and learning and sporting offer and opportunities at our school. We have received our award which can be found in our school entrance, on our school letters and website. Thank you to all staff who contribute to the excellent sports teaching and learning and opportunities children have and Miss Wright for ensuring there is full commitment to the development of pupils in physical education and competition and for applying for this award for our school.

I am proud to share with you that the Environmental Health representative from Cheshire West and Chester Local Authority visited our school today and our kitchen has been awarded a 5 star rating. I would like to thank Soo, Katherine and Judith for their hard work and commitment. The officer also commented, and made reference to, the outstanding cleanliness of the whole school—thanks to Mr Town, Sharon and Jane, our cleaning team, and I would like to acknowledge the togetherness from everyone in our school community who contribute to keeping our school safe and clean.

Year One had a wonderful visit to Neston Library this week to enrich their learning of how people's lives have changed in living memory. The children explored toys from past and present and they enjoyed listening to Sue give a talk about toys from the past and they enjoyed a story together. Sue showed the children around the library and explained how the library is for everyone!

Finally, we have our PTFA AGM next Thursday evening and I encourage as many of you to attend. In the meeting, there may be members stepping down from their roles and we need new members to put themselves forward to ensure that our PTFA continues to strive for the best for the children in our school. The PTFA always run wonderful events for the children, some which have become a tradition of the school, and without the support from parents, this cannot happen. I hope to see you at the meeting next Thursday.

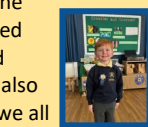


SHINE Assemblies—Today, we celebrated the achievements of our pupils and recognised the ways in which they are shining in school, outside of school and beyond in the community. It is a privilege to present these awards to the children and a real joy to hear from their class teachers of the great work that it being carried out. Having core value award nominations from parents is also a wonderful testament that we all recognise the significance our core values have on our

identity—something we are all invested in and proud of. Most of all, I am grateful that we come together as a school community to share in the positivity that being part of St Winefride's brings to us all.

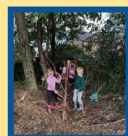
Well done to our children, who have been commissioned as part of the Mini Vinnies for our school—we look forward to you leading us in making a difference in our community. Well done to Emily, who has been selected to represent St Winefride's, as a pupil councillor, and work with other pupils, from other schools in Neston.

The SVP group in our parish have organised a Sponsored Walk: Sunday 13th October. It starts and ends at St. Winefride's church. Meet at 2pm, all are welcome for some fresh air and friendship.



Forest school—Year 3

Year 3 had a fantastic time outside, in the school grounds, yesterday morning. They enjoyed their Forest School session which linked their learning to their Stone Age history topic. They agreed that three most important things in Stone Age times were: Shelter, food and weapons. First, they made Stone Age bread and cooked over the fire by wrapping the bread around a piece of willow they had whittled down themselves. They then went on to build their own shelters and finally, they learnt how to start their own fire. The tasks proved very difficult at first, but they showed excellent resilience and all managed to do it with their 'I Can' attitude.



Important dates coming up...

Tuesday 8th October—Swimming for children in Year 5.

Tuesday 8th October—PINS Coffee Morning—All welcome.

Thursday 10th October—Year 2 Forest School Session.

Thursday 10th October—PTFA AGM—Please attend to support our PTFA.