

St Wilfrid's CE Primary School



At St Wilfrid's, our Christian school exists to provide a welcoming environment in which everybody is cherished and challenged to fulfil their potential.

At St Wilfrid's we all Belong, Believe, Become

Friday 22nd September 2017

Newsletter 3

Library Information (from Mrs Argles, Mrs Waterton and Mrs Ward)

We are pleased to announce that the school library has reopened this week. All children in school will have the chance to access the library and will be able to bring books home to share weekly. We are aiming to continue to develop the range of books on offer and support the children when reading for enjoyment. From studying last year's statistics, we noted that 91% of the children in school accessed the library frequently, with 99% of the boys borrowing books at least fortnightly compared to 83% girls. These are fantastic statistics which we are hoping to repeat this year, and also improve the girls uptake.

Throughout the year we will be running reading competitions and we are hoping to have a visit from a local children's author. In addition to this, we have a Scholastic book club in school next week. See information below. The children in KS2 will be able to attend a drop-in library session at lunchtimes on a Monday and there are still places available in the KS1 Library Club which runs 3.15-4pm on a Monday. Many thanks for your continued support .

GROWTH MINDSETS

This academic year, we will be working with a strategy called 'Growth Mindset' to further develop and enhance our children's learning skills. Many of the Reception parents may have heard their children talking about different characters they have been learning about such as Indie Independence, Polly Problem Solver and Ravi Respector. For further information, follow the [BBC Link](#).

SPEAKING TO CLASS TEACHERS

Our staff thoroughly enjoy speaking to you about your child's learning over the day and throughout the week. A polite request to make sure, if you wish to speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the day, please wait for the class teacher/TA to dismiss all the children safely to their parent/carer before speaking. This will ensure privacy for yourself, but most importantly ensures all children are safe at the end of the day. Thank you for your ongoing support with this. A reminder that Reception and Nursery parents are welcome to stay and carry out activities with their children at the beginning of the day.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Good attendance is essential to your child's academic success. We aim for an overall attendance rate of at least 97%, and attendance levels below 90% give us serious cause for concern. Routine medical appointments should be made outside school hours wherever possible. Punctuality to school and to lessons is also important as it is indicative of a child's general motivation and commitment towards school. This week our whole school attendance has been **95.8%** which is not so great.

The low attendance is mainly due to families taking unauthorised holidays during term time. We have also had a few cases of sickness and diarrhoea. **Please remember, your child must be clear for 48 hours before returning to school if suffering from sickness and diarrhoea.**

This week the following correspondence have been sent out as hard copies:

Year 3 Able Literacy (4 children) to Sandilands

Year 5 Wythenshawe Library visit

This week the following correspondence have been sent out electronically

Extra-Curricular Clubs

For information about applying for High School Places for Year 6 children, please follow this link:

http://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500322/secondary_school_admissions

HEALTHY SCHOOLS

Mrs Stevenson who teaches in our EYFS classes, is our Healthy Schools and PSHE lead. She is currently updating our schools Health Check to decide on our focus for this year. As most of you are aware, St Wilfrid's has not had a school nurse for nearly a year, but I am delighted to let you know that we have now been allocated a school nurse, and I will be meeting with her in the next couple of weeks. Mrs Stevenson will keep you updated on further initiatives over the year.

NUTS

A reminder that due to a couple of children in our school who have severe nut allergies, no food with traces of nuts should be used for packed lunches e.g. Nutella, some breakfast bars etc. If you are unsure, please speak to one of the ladies in the office for further advice.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

25.09.2017	Scholastic Book Fair all week in the school hall— Mrs Dhaliwal to provide additional details
27.09.2017	Individual Photographs + Family Photographs from 8:30am in the school hall (enter via the yellow gates and across the playground)
28.09.2017	Harvest Festival at St Wilfrid's Church (Reception to Year 6). Nursery to hold own Harvest Assembly in school. Re-arranged: Year 5 and 6 Look After Your Lungs Workshop
29.09.2017	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon—see poster or Sharon Hellier for more details.
02.10.2017	Year 6 Residential to Kingswood, Colomendy with Mrs Lowe and Miss Vermeulen. Leaving at 9:30am
06.10.2017	Year 5 Disability Awareness Workshop
06.10.2017	Reception to Year 4 Nasal Flu Sprays (afternoon)
09.10.2017	Year 5 Residential to Condoover Hall for 2 nights
11.10.2017	

Extra—Curricular Activities

25.09.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club 3.15-4.00: Homework Club 3.15-4.00: Paper Craft 3.15-4.00: Library club 3.15-4.15: External Provider: Gymnastics 3.15-4.15: External Provider: MCFC Football.
26.09.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club 3.15-4.00: Cross Country Running 3.15-4.00: Cookery 3.15-4.00: Kiddi Choir 3.15-4.00: Lego 3.15-4.00: Computer Coding 3.15-4.15: External Provider: Junior Sports Stars Football.
27.09.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club Lunchtime: School Council and Rights Respecting Action Team.
28.09.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club 3.15-4.00: Year 6 Maths 3.15-4.00: Board Games 3.15-4.00: Forest Art Club 3.15-4.00: Multi-Sports(Bench Ball and Hockey)
29.09.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club 3.15-4.15: External Provider: Street Dance Lunchtime: Choir.

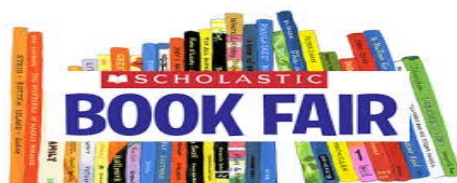
GOLD AWARD ASSEMBLY

Gold Award Assembly is on Friday 29th September at 2:30pm. Parents/carers are welcome to join us. The Gold Jumper theme is for achievements in Maths; The Gold Badge theme is linked to our Christian Value of Thankfulness and for perseverance in learning. (Nursery will award their children in class)

	Gold Jumper Award	Gold Badge Award
Reception 1 Miss Swinburn	Ellie Bancroft	Emma Kulcsar
Reception 2 Mrs Peters	Owen Morrow	Max Wilkinson
Year 1 Mrs Doyle	Kai Bernes	George Greenwood
Year 1/2 Mrs Argles	Jackson Wallace	Xavier Marshall - Brown
Year 2 Miss Deeley	Maisy Summerfield	Ariadna Fernandez-Alonso
Year 3 Mrs Taylor	Lola-Mae Amara	Bonnie McGowan
Year 3/4 Mrs Dhaliwal	Joe Tanswell	Carmela Bonifati
Year 4 Miss Clark	Matthew Farthing	Vincent Coppock
Year 5 Mr Goodwin	Olivia Richards	Dylan Swift
Year 5/6 Miss Bartlett	Jaspreet Kaur	Rianna Taylor-Wilson
Year 6 Miss Vermeulen	Rico Tyrell	Scarlett Allen

The Scholastic Book Fair is back!

The Book Fair will be open for half an hour after school between Monday 25th September and Friday 29th September. We hope that you will take the time to come along to view the books on offer! Remember, every book you buy allows us to get new books for our school. We hope to see you there!





Collection for the Harvest Festival

If anyone has any non-perishable foods (tins, dried foods, etc.) that they would like to donate to St Wilfrid's Church service on Thursday 28th September, please drop them off at the Year 2 classroom (nearest the yellow gates) from Monday onwards. This year we are supporting Booth Centre, St Luke's Food Bank and Barnabus. All donations are greatly received. Alternatively, you can bring them to the Church service. Many thanks to everyone for their support.

WYTHENSHAW PARK

Please see the attached document to have your say on the future of Wythenshawe Park.

SAFEGUARDING

We have recently updated our Safeguarding leaflet for parents, which is also available on our website. The leaflet explains further what safeguarding children means and the level of services available for children and families. For further information please click on the Leaflet link ([Safeguarding Leaflet for Parents](#)). Alternatively see our [Safeguarding and E-Safety](#) page on our school website.



CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday, several of our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils took part in the Wythenshawe Cross Country event at Wythenshawe Park. Huge congratulations to Alex Forrest, Joel Johnson, Jamie Bushell, Evan Caine, Billie Owen, Oscar Mc Donough and Millie Tanswell for taking part in their first event of the year. Thank you very much to the parents for coming along and for Emma Walker ensuring the children were warmed up, getting ready for their run of 1500m. If your child would like to take part in our running club on Tuesdays, please log into SIMS Agora and book your place.





**BECAUSE
EVERY CHILD
IN THE WORLD
HAS ONE THING
IN COMMON.
THEIR RIGHTS.**

UNICEF Rights Respecting School

We would like to inform you that St Wilfrid's has enrolled in UNICEF's children's Rights Respecting Programme. The Rights Respecting Schools Programme aims to bring children's rights and responsibilities into everyday school practise. In addition, it is here to educate children on the rights of ALL children around the world.

The programme is based on the Articles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, which applies to all children and young people under the age of 18. Children's rights provisions are already part of UK law, but the programme supports the implementation and extension of its values in schools.

We feel that children's rights values are essential to education for even the youngest children, and that the programme will contribute to their development and give them an opportunity to learn about the lives of less privileged children.

This year, we will be examining all of our procedures to ensure that we uphold children's rights throughout St Wilfrid's. All our staff will be involved as we aim to implement this new and exciting programme.

We would like parents and carers to participate as well, so we will seek your involvement and support throughout the year. Information on the programme is available from Miss. Vermeulen and we will let you know about children's rights activities as the year progresses.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Just a reminder , we are holding a Macmillan Coffee afternoon on the front lawn next Friday 29th September from 2.00pm. It is also an own clothes day for a £1.00 donation.

If you would like to donate cakes for this event that would be marvellous too!

Many Thanks

Please come along and support this charity.

**YOU'RE
INVITED**

**COME FOR
COFFEE AND
CAKE**