

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 29th September 2017

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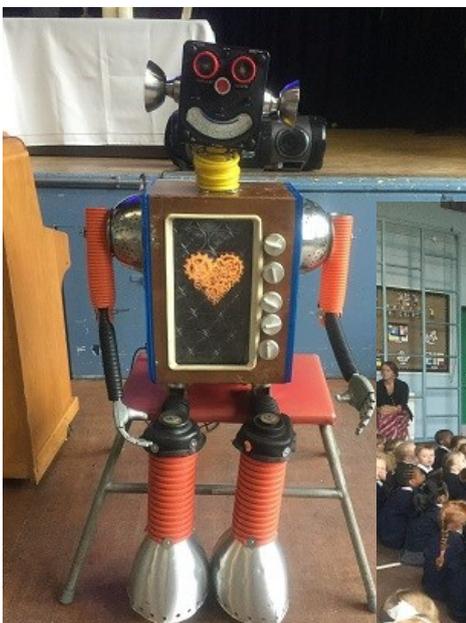
PSHE: HEART SMART (from Mrs Stevenson)

This year we have a new PSHE resource that builds resilience, emotional intelligence and active empathy in the hearts of children. It is a creative way of enabling children to adopt a growth mindset whilst maintaining a healthy emotional epicentre. It works on the idea that meaning comes from relationships and every child is worthy of relational connection. HEARTSMART is therefore about loving and accepting ourselves as well as loving and responding well to others. Boris, HEARTSMART's very own purpose-built Robot, provides a fun, interactive and dynamic way for children to explore their hearts, the very thing that makes them unique. Boris came to visit us in assembly last week and here are some responses that came from a few pupils about what they could recall from the assembly:

Joe Tanswell, Yr 3 "Our assembly was about being Heartsmart. Heartsmart is about letting love in and letting love out too. Aswell, Too much Selfie Isn't healthy"

Yohannan Preeven Yr 2 "Too much selfie isn't healthy means that you shouldn't just put you, but others in the picture. It's about thinking of other people as well."

If you would like to look into this new resource you can check out their website for more details: www.heartsmartprimary.com or speak to Mrs Stevenson our PSHE Lead.



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 96.7, which is below our target.

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

Year 2 Able Arts—at St Wilfrid's

This week the following correspondence have been sent out electronically

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



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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)
07.10.2017	Cross Country at Wythenshawe Park. Arrival at 9:40am
09.10.2017 11.10.2017	Year 5 Residential to Condover Hall for 2 nights
12.10.2017	Reception Class Dirt Day
19.10.2017	Break Up for October Half Term
20.10.2017	School Closed: INSET DAY for Staff
30.10.2017	School Re-Opens for Autumn 2
01.11.2017	Parents' Meetings 3:30—5:00pm
02.11.2017	Parents' Meetings 3:30pm—7:00pm

THURSDAY 5th OCTOBER

We are having a special lunch day today. Please see the attached poster for more details. We hope those children who do not normally have a school lunch join us on this day. Please see the school office for payment or alternatively log into your SIMS Agora Account.

Extra—Curricular Activities

02.10.2017	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.
03.10.2017	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.
04.10.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club Lunchtime: School Council and Rights Respecting Action Team. 3.15-4.15: MCFC Girls football
05.10.2017	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
06.10.2017	7:45am-Breakfast Club 3.15-4.15: External Provider: Street Dance Lunchtime: Choir.

GOLD AWARD ASSEMBLY

Unfortunately there will be no Gold Book Assembly on Friday 6th October. The Reception to Year 4 Nasal Flu Clinic is taking place in the afternoon and Year 6 will be arriving back from their 5 day residential.

DANCE-A-THON

Following the dance-a-thon we have raised £236.10 which has helped with the purchase of our speaker, it will be used for many events within our school. Thank you to Miss Bartlett for organising this event and for all the donations received.

PTA MEETING

The first PTA meeting of the school year will be taking place on the 4th of October at 7.30pm at the Cricket Club on Longley Lane. We will be discussing the upcoming Dis-glo and Christmas Fair. Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

CROSS COUNTRY

All Year 3—6 parents/carers, have been informed about the Cross Country league which takes place on Saturday mornings at Wythenshawe Park. The next one is on Saturday 7th October to arrive at 9:40am. We would love to see as many boys and girls representing St Wilfrid's as possible. On the day, Miss Bartlett will be there to welcome you.

HOWDENS COMPETITION

Please see the attached competition leaflet from Howdens, based on the Roundthorn Estate for all children from year 5 to 11. Good Luck!

THE BIG QUESTION?

At the start of the year we have introduced a weekly big question. We would like our children to be reflective about their own beliefs, religious or otherwise and to develop their own perspective on life. It is also a way to encourage children to have an interest in and respect for people's different faiths, feelings and values. This week's question has been: **Can kindness change the world?** Myself and the staff have had wonderful responses, one being from Ben Skinner in Year 3/4 who commented 'that if someone is kind to somebody and someone else sees it, the kindness will transfer to everybody'. My assembly this week also highlighted our vision for the Academy Trust on 'Belonging, Believing and Becoming'. It was lovely to speak to the children during the lunchtimes over the week on their own uniqueness and vision, as to what they would like to become.

<u>Class/Teacher</u>	<u>School Council Member</u>
Year 1	Rufus Moore
Year 1/2	Logan Jewell
Year 2	Logan Hamlin
Year 3	Amber Snelson
Year 3/4	Zuzanna Kaleta
Year 4	Macy Smith
Year 5	Keanan O'Sullivan
Year 5/6	Mateusz, Evan, Imogen.L
Year 6	Beth Fletcher, Rico, Esme
Year 6 School Council Co-ordinator	Lily Quinlan

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to all our newly elected school councillors. The staff and Miss Vermeulen were very impressed with the applications presented. All the children were able to make their own decisions and elected their own class councillor (part of the democracy from British Values). All the councillors will be busy over the year, from leading assemblies, meeting on a weekly basis with Miss Vermeulen, attending other meetings throughout

the year and also present to St Wilfrid's Governing Body. Well done!



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you very much for all the donations for making our harvest festival a success this year at St Wilfrid's Church. Thank you to Chrissie Jones for teaching KS 1 and EYFS the lyrics to Harvest Samba and all the hard work and organisation of the musical instruments and to Sam Morris for working with KS 1 and KS 2 with the singing. All donations are going to Booth Centre in Manchester which helps homeless people to rebuild their lives; St Luke's Foodbank in Wythenshawe and to Barnabus a Christian homeless charity, which was established 26 years ago in City Centre Manchester. The centre on Bloom Street helps rough sleepers, vulnerable adults and those at risk of homelessness with food, clothing, showers and critically, access to support workers who help with getting accommodation, detox, benefits, referrals for mental health and all sorts of pathways to get people away from the streets. They serve up to 500 individuals a month. Last year the Barnabus Centre helped 2000 people and of that 600 went into accommodation – which is a range of options from temporary accommodation through to a housing bond scheme where we help people into private tenancies by guaranteeing their deposits. Barnabus also run a furniture upcycling project called ReNu (www.renu-barnabus.com) based at The Message in Sharston – getting people off the streets and the opportunity to come and learn new skills and get work ready whilst also producing high quality up-cycled furniture that you can buy! The food donated will be used to help feed people at their drop in but also for food parcels to help those in accommodation stay in their tenancies. For more information please visit www.barnabus-manchester.org.uk

YEAR 2 CLASSROOM

Whilst we appreciate that pick up, especially near the year 2 classroom is quite congested, our staff are ensuring that the safety of your child/ren is the priority. Thank you for your patience and respect for our staff members.

