



ST WILFRID'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Weekly News & Information

11th February 2022



Diary Dates

Mon 21st—Fri 25th Feb
Half-Term

Mon 28th Feb
School open to all

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West End Drama in school

Tues 1st March
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Tues March 1st
Shrove Tuesday
PTFA Pancake Sale from
3pm

Wed 2nd March
Ash Wednesday

Thurs 3rd March
World Book Day

Tues 8th March
Tempest Photos
Y6 & Rec only

Wed 9th March
Rec & KS1 Maths
Workshop for parents
9.00am—9.45am

KS2 Maths Workshop
for parents
9.45am—10.45am

PARISH MASSES:- SACRED HEART SATURDAY @ 5.00PM AND SUNDAY @ 9.30am.
ST JOSEPH'S BURSLEM—SUNDAY @ 11.30AM, St PATRICK'S PACKMOOR SUNDAY 6.30pm.
Confessions: Sacred Heart - Sat 4.30pm—4.50pm, Sun 9.00am—9.20am St. Joseph's—Sun 11.00am—11.20am
St. Patrick's Sun 6pm

National Space Centre

On Tuesday, Year 5 children visited the National Space Centre in Leicester. They had a fabulous day learning all about the solar system. They particularly enjoyed the observatory show which focused on astronauts and space. The children were wonderful representatives for our school and staff commented on their excellent behaviour throughout the day.

Children's Mental Health Week

Thank you for your generous donations to the children's mental health charity 'Place2Be'. As a school, we raised £254 which will sent to the charity. The children really enjoyed the Dress to Impress Day which we integrated into Wellbeing Wednesday.

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday, everyone at St. Wilfrid's took part in Safer Internet Day. This year's topic was all about online gaming and relationships. During an e-safety assembly the children learnt how to manage their behaviour and the behaviour of others on line, in a safe way. Children also discussed why different games or services have different age ratings and what that could mean for us. For example, did you know that the age ratings for Fortnite is 12, Instagram is 13 and WhatsApp is 16? Some classes produced SMART posters about what to do to stay safe online.

International Women and girls in Science

Today, 11th February, marked this year's "International Women and Girls in Science Day". Thank you to Mrs. Bourne who came into school today to teach science to our Year 5 pupils, telling the story of Rosalind Franklin, a female scientist and encouraging us all to discover our STEM passion. The children really enjoyed the sessions and were inspired by what she said.

Food Bank Donations

Thank you to parents and pupils of the Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage One, for your kind donations to the foodbank. Each and every contribution is very much appreciated and will help some of the very needy people in our parish and local community. Next week, we are welcoming donations from KS2. In each classroom in KS2 will be a box for donations over the week.

Catholic Life



Values and Virtues

The values and virtues for this half term are '**Curious and Active**'

Mass

Children will continue to attend Mass weekly each Thursday on a rota basis one class at a time.

Ash Wednesday—2nd March

KS 2 will attend Mass at the Sacred Heart Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Some of our pupils will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 9th March at 11am at Sacred Heart Church.

A word from Pope Francis

"Put your trust in God! The Beatitudes are Jesus' way of life!"

POPE FRANCIS -SYNOD OF BISHOPS

As you may know, the Holy Father, Pope Francis has invited the entire Church to take part in preparing for a Synod of Bishops in Rome in October 2023. The Pope is asking the whole Church to take part in a Synodal Journey. Here in the Archdiocese, schools are invited to take part in listening exercises. Archbishop Bernard would like to bring together groups of people to reflect on these matters. We will be holding a session for parents on Friday 4th March at 9:30am. The session will involve discussing and answering a set of questions that have been provided by the Diocese. If this is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact the school office as soon as possible as there will be limited places. There will be a separate session held for children in school.

Advance Notice

After half term we will be having West End in Schools Theatre Company coming in to work with pupils from Years 1–6. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to develop their creative skills. Please see letter on the website.

Emails—Please remember to check your emails regularly for information sent out from school.

Rear of School

To enable our children to remain safe when coming into school, please do not park or reverse by the back gates. Thank you

Maths Workshops

Please note that the Maths workshops for parents have been changed from February to March. This will enable us to do them face to face and not on TEAMS.



EARLY MORNING BREAKFAST CLUB OPEN FROM 7.30AM

All places will need to be booked in advance on a Monday previous to the week required and paid for in full. We will be operating a strict booking system and so your support with this procedure is appreciated. Please note that we cannot accept any bookings outside of the above criteria and you will be turned away unless you have a booking.

You will need to email kcook@stwilfridsnewman.co.uk with your requirements. Please supply your child's name/s, class, mornings required and confirm that you have paid in full on scopay.

ABSENCES

If your child is absent, would you please use the absence email address -

absence@stwilfridsnewman.co.uk
(giving name, class and detailed description) or telephone the school office to let them know.

Thank you