

# ST WILFRID'S C E SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2018

### The Big Draw

Thank you to everyone who came along to The Big Draw last Saturday and our thanks to Mrs Hathaway for organising the event.



### Children In Need Day

On Thursday 15th November we will be celebrating 'Children In Need' Day.

On this day we will have an exciting visit from Pudsey and the Radio Lancashire team, who are planning to broadcast their Breakfast Show live from St Wilfrid's as part of their '2018 Pudsey Tour'!

Children are invited, if they wish, to wear their own clothes to school on this date (and especially garments with spots) and to donate £1 (or £2 per family to the charity).

Subject to timings (yet to be advised) we also hope to hold a 'Pudsey Breakfast' and/or a Sports Activity on this date so look out for details in our next Newsletter.....



### SHOE BOX APPEAL

Last week a representative of a local charity came to our Assembly to talk to the children about 'Boxes of Hope'. This charity is

an experienced team, led by 5 Trustees with over 100 volunteers, who are committed to helping deprived communities in Eastern Europe by sending gift-filled shoeboxes at Christmas. Last year, the families of St Wilfrid's sent 85 boxes to this appeal. A separate leaflet with full details of the shoe box gifts that we will be collecting in school has been sent home for each family in school (please note that the shipping contribution can be made online if preferred). You can either fill your own shoe box with the items detailed or separate items can be sent into school so that shoe boxes can be made up with these items. Please note good quality second hand toys/soft toys are also able to be included in the boxes.

**The boxes will be collected from school on Friday 2nd November.** Thank you in advance.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION A COPY OF OUR SCHOOL CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 2018/2019 IS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER**

### Flu Immunisation

**A reminder that if you have chosen for your child to have their Flu Immunisation at school, these will be carried out on: Thursday 1st November.**

Our SEN & Safeguarding Policies have recently been reviewed and are available to view on our web site.

There is a consultation period of 4 weeks, in which time any queries or requests for further information can be addressed to Mrs Weymouth in writing or by email to:  
bursar@st-wilfrids.lancs.sch.uk

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## Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale in school from Wednesday 31st October.

Our recommended minimum donation is 20p.

We also have other Poppy Appeal merchandise available – reflectors , wristbands, friendship bracelets, and rulers (all at 50p)

Due to the limited amount of merchandise, items will be limited to 1 per child.

### EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS:

#### **Wednesday 31st October**

· Kidz Fitness (Year 3 & 4)

#### **Thursday 1st November**

· Rugby (Year 4, 5 & 6)

· Kidz Fitness (Year 1 & 2)

· Sewing & Knitting (Group 2)

· **(Group 1 sessions have now finished)**

### Year 6

#### High School Applications for 2019

A reminder that the closing date for Secondary School Admission Applications is

Wednesday 31st October. **Please note that**

**late applications will not be considered with those that are received by the closing date.**

If anyone requires any assistance with the on-line application, please contact the school office or Area Education Office.

### Cake & Home Produce Stalls

Thank you to Cherry class parents who provided the cakes for yesterday's stall. Further class dates are as follows:

Thursday 1st November - Year R/1 (Willow)

Thursday 8th November - Year R (Ash)



### **Future Dates for your Diary:**

Wednesday 31st October	-	School re-opens
Thursday 1st November	-	Flu Immunisations
Thursday 1st November	-	KS1 Share a Book session 2.45 p.m and each Thursday thereafter
Friday 9th November	-	Messy Church
Thursday 15th November	-	'Children In Need' Day event
Tuesday 20th November	-	PTFA AGM
Friday 23rd November	-	Film Afternoon (booking details to follow)
Tuesday 4th December	-	Secrets' Room packing evening
Friday 7th December	-	Christmas Fair (5.00—7.00 p.m.)
Tuesday 11th December	-	KS1 Nativity (afternoon & evening performances)
Friday 14th December	-	School Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 18th December	-	KS2 Carol Concert (afternoon & evening performances)
Tuesday 18th December	-	KS1 Christmas Party
Wednesday 19th December	-	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party
Thursday 20th December	-	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party
Friday 21st December	-	School closes for Christmas holiday at 2.00 p.m.

## PTFA

### **AGM—Change of date**

Our AGM will now be held on **Tuesday 20th November @ 6.30 p.m.** at School-  
Please come along and support your PTFA if you can—Everyone Welcome

### **100 Club**

Congratulations to our September draw winners:

£10 was won by Mrs Mayor and £5 by Mrs Weymouth.

### **Secrets' Room**

The PTFA are appealing for your help in either making or buying gifts for the Secrets Room. The room, supervised by members of staff, gives children a chance to buy Christmas presents without parents being there. Gifts are sold to the children for under £2.50. The Secrets Room has always been a tremendous success as a result of the generosity of parents and families. We would gratefully receive any unwanted presents or items, which could be packed together, such as free samples. Quick and easy ideas include:

- \* Mugs filled with sweets/chocolate
- \* Attractively wrapped candles
- \* Handkerchiefs
- \* Toiletries
- \* Car wash sets - sponge and sachets of car shampoo/wax

Bargain shops in Lancaster, which might provide some inspiration are:

Bodycare, The Works, Wilkinsons, Homebargains, Pound World etc.

Please send any gifts into school by Monday 3rd December in preparation for the PTFA packing evening. If you are able to help packing and wrapping up the secrets room gifts, the packing evening is to be held on **Tuesday 4th December at 6.30 p.m.** Many hands make light work and we'll get the job done quickly! (please bring any spare bits of ribbon etc you may have!)

### **Easyfundraising**

As Christmas is fast approaching, and you may be starting your shopping? We have detailed below details of how to sign up for Easyfundraising which is a brilliant opportunity to raise lots of free donations for our PTFA when you shop online.

Whenever you buy anything online (e.g. Christmas presents, groceries, clothes, books, train tickets, hotel rooms, etc.) you can raise a free donation for St Wilfrid's PTFA. There are over 2,700 retailers registered with the site, including Amazon, John Lewis, eBay and Tesco who will donate a percentage of what you spend to easyfundraising to say thank you for shopping with them.

Here's how it works:

1. Sign up - go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stwptfa> and click on the button to sign up.
2. Shop - from the easyfundraising website, search for the retailer you'd like to shop with and click through to the retailer to make your purchase. This tells the retailer you came from easyfundraising. The price is exactly the same as if you'd visited the retailer directly.
3. Get a donation - after you've made your purchase, the retailer will give you a cash reward that easyfundraising turn into a donation for easyfundraising raising money for St Wilfrid's PTFA. No cost, no catch!

## **Community Events/News**

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### **Autumn Fiesta**

**Saturday 10th November 10.30 a.m.—3.000 p.m. at St Thomas' Church, Lancaster**

**Festival of Food, Music and Family Activities to raise awareness and funds for Asylum Seeker and Refugee groups**

**Free Entry**

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### **Charity Fundraiser for Mummy's Star**

Raffle, coffee and cake!

At The Centre, Sunday 18th November 3-4.30pm. Free entry, books for sale, tombola and kids crafts. Raffle tickets available from HIQ Garage, Halton Newsagents, AM Hair and Halton Village Stores now and also at the event too.

Mummy's Star is the only charity in the UK dedicated to supporting women who receive a cancer diagnosis while pregnant or in the 12 months after giving birth.

More information can be found on our Facebook event page Fundraiser for Mummy's Star.

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**Half Term Holiday**

**School re-opens on  
Wednesday 31st October**

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**WISHING YOU A RELAXING HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

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