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THIS WEEK:

Well, we have arrived at the final week of the Spring term. From darker nights at the start to the hope of spring, it has all happened in just one term. The children have done remarkably well. This week, we have enjoyed a great time reflecting on Holy Week - from the triumphal entry and the last supper to the garden of Gethsemane and, finally, the death of Jesus. And now, we eagerly wait for the good news of the resurrection after the break. Myself and a few Year 6 children have also delivered Easter cards around our community. Also, we have had a fantastic turnout at our Parents' Evening and some enjoyable Easter fun to round off the week.

Congratulations. House Merit Winners: Spring Term 24:

Each week, we count each child's Dojo Points. If they receive 10 points in one week, they are then awarded a 'Merit'. Five Merits mean a prize from me. We have also added up the total number of merits in each house for the Spring Term. This term, the Houses have finished in the following order:

1st Red House 2nd Yellow House 3rd Blue House 4th Green House

Well Done Red House!

EASTER At St Wilfrid's:



Firstly, a huge thank you to all the children who entered our 'Decorate an Easter Egg Competition'. Mrs Stoneham commented it was the hardest year ever for her to judge.

Many congratulations to the following children for their designs.

Key Stage One: Key Stage Two

1st Blake 1st Vinnie

2nd Harry A 2nd Macy

3rd Theo M 3rd Reilly

Special Mention: Anya Special Mention: Sophia

Special Mention: Kit Special Mention: Mia

WELL DONE EMILY, Fantastic FUNDRAISING:

Congratulations to Emily (and her sister—Jenny) for their fantastic fundraising. Emily has helped climb the height of Mount Everest, Fundraising for CancerCare North
Lancashire & South Cumbria, who are supporting her family at this time. We are so proud of Emily and all the people involved in the fundraising. If you would like to find out more and support this great cause please visit:

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PARENT'S EVENING: Thank you so much for your support at last night's parents' evening. It was lovely to see so many parents. We really value your support. I am also grateful for the feedback regarding the use of the hall.

This is something we will reflect on and consider in the future.

VACANCIES In School:

We currently have two vacancies in school:

Catering Assistant— 2 hours per day
Welfare Assistant—1 hour per day

Both these jobs would suite a local person. Please spread the word. Full details can be found on Lancashire County Council Website.

CELEBRATION WORSHIP Update:

Celebration Worship on a Friday is a fantastic way to conclude the week. In the previous term, we facilitated bookings via Parent Apps, enabling parents to attend every week. As we move forward, we have decided to extend an open invitation for you to join us **without** the need to book in advance. Nonetheless, we kindly ask that you still arrive at the main entrance and sign in, as the worship will begin at 2.25pm.

MESSY CHURCH:

Thank you to St Wilfrid's Church for putting on such a great Messy Church event last Friday. It was a real success. As we move forward, we hope to have regular Messy Church events in our school hall. I will let you know the next one is happening once the final arrangements have been made.

Uniform update:

Trainers: Update to Policy

The governors have updated our school's uniform policy regarding trainers. Trainers for school use are now allowed in any colour but must be suitable for sports activities, rather than being purely fashionable. Following this change, I kindly request that when purchasing trainers for use in school, they are specifically designed and suitable for sports.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT: Living Streets

I want to bring attention to a new initiative that our whole school will be launching after Easter - the Living Streets Initiative. This initiative aims to encourage as many of us as possible to walk to school, not only for the benefit of our health but also to help reduce traffic congestion.

The Living Streets Initiative will span over a year, and each day, children will be asked to record how they travel to school using our 'Travel Tracker'. The objective is to encourage more people to consider walking, scooting, or riding bikes to school, even if it is only on an occasional basis. We will be tracking the data, and over time, I hope that we will see a decrease in the number of cars on the road. I want to acknowledge that this initiative does not solve the traffic issue we are facing, but I believe it is a step forward in making things better.

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ONLINE SAFETY and WELLBEING: This week our poster is 'Clickbait' - a controversial online marketing strategy. This is most certainly an area that impacts both adult and children alike.

STARS OF THE WEEK:

ASH: Matilda WILLOW: Owen CHERRY: Alfie CHESTNUT: Ada BEECH: Ella PINE: Eloise

SYCAMORE: Matthew OAK: Jacob K-W

CLASS WORSHIP DATES:

Fri 26th April 9.15am—Pine Class Fri 14th June 9.15am —Sycamore Class

CHANGE OF DATE:

Wed 26th June 9.15am —Willow and Ash Class Combined

Families are invited to watch their child's Class Worship and stay for a cuppa afterwards.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Thur 28th March—PTFA Egg Raffle

Thursday 28th March—School Closes for Easter—2pm

Easter holidays—Drains works start in school—Key Stage Two Playground Mon 15th School Open for the summer term

Tue 16th April—Living Streets Launch Assembly

Wed 24th April - SportsReach Worship

Wed 24th April—Windermere Cross Country

Fri 26th April—Pine Class Worship 9.15am Start—Cuppa for the parents afterwards

Mon 29th April—Yr 4 to Borwick Hall—Details to follow—No Charge for this trip

Wed 1st May—Community Tea 2pm—3pm—School Hall

Fri 3rd May Yr 2 to Borwick Hall— Details to follow—No Charge for this trip

Fri 10th May—Final Athletics Fixture—Pupils involved will be contacted

WB 13th May—Year 6 SATS Week—You will be great!

Thur 16th May - PTFA Meeting in School—3.30pm

23rd May 9am from school —Whole School to Church—Parent Helpers Needed please

Wed 12th June—Community Tea—2pm –3pm School Hall

Fri 14th June—Sycamore Class Worship 9.15am—Cuppa for parents afterwards

Wed 19th June—Sports Day—Detail to follow

DATE CHANGE: Wed 26th 9.15am—June—Ash and Willow Class Worship—Cuppa for parents afterwards

Sun 14th July—Year 6 Leaver's Service at St Wilfrid's Church 10am

Final thought... We have finished! Reflecting on the transition from dark nights to the light of spring evenings can help us contemplate the Easter story. Although Jesus went through tough and challenging experiences, there was always the promise of light and life. This is the incredible message of the Christian faith. I hope you experience the hope of new life during this Easter period. Thank you for your support to school this term. We look forward to seeing you in the summer. God bless from all at St Wilfrid's.