



St Wilfrid's Weekly Newsletter

Love God, Love Each Other, Love Learning

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Christian Value for April: Humility

THIS WEEK:

What a fantastic week it has been at school! We started by exploring the value of humility, putting others first. We were delighted to have Sportsreach visit us to promote their summer soccer and netball schools. (Please refer to the PA for the leaflet.) A special mention goes to Pine Class for their outstanding worship session this morning, where they shared their learning. Big thanks to the parents who stayed behind for our café too! It's been fantastic to witness the children enjoying the school playing field, and the new, larger playground has proven to be immensely popular too!

STAFFING UPDATE: Happy Retirement

Mrs Pilkington and Mrs Johnstone have both made the decision to retire at the end of this academic year. Both members of staff have been working at St Wilfrid's for many years and have made significant contributions to making our school a wonderful place to be. They will be greatly missed, and we wish them all the best as they move on with our love, prayers, and best wishes.

Full-Time Position: Mrs Hathaway will be increasing her hours to full-time from September as she takes on the two days that have become available due to Mrs Pilkington's retirement.

STAFFING UPDATE:

Maternity: Mrs. Milner has kindly accepted to cover for Mrs. Murgatroyd during her maternity leave. She will be teaching in Willow class for the remainder of the year. As Mrs. Milner is currently teaching in Willow class, her presence will ensure a good transition.

Further information regarding the arrangements for September will be communicated to all parents towards the end of the school year.

SCHOOL GROUNDS:

The drainage works should be complete next week. Plans are now moving forward as to how we can mark out our new playground and make best use of our space.

Wild Flowerbed:

Thank you to Pine Class for their hard work planting our Wild Flower area between the new playground and the running track. This was a wonderful coming together of ideas from our children to care for wildlife. So proud of our children for having ideas and showing passion for God's creation!

CELEBRATION WORSHIP:

Celebration Worship on a Friday is a fantastic way to conclude the week. We 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.



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FACEBOOK:

Next week, I will be sending out a Parental App Consent form for your child to appear on our new School Facebook page. When making your decision, kindly consider the following:

Purpose: To inform and engage the school and wider community of Halton about the wonderful provision at St Wilfrid's.

Posts will not include children's names.

I firmly believe that having a social media presence is crucial for showcasing St Wilfrid's and for us to engage directly with our community.

THANK YOU MOTO:

St Wilfrid's are the extremely fortunate recipients of 300+ brand new fiction and non-fiction texts. Donated by Moto Foundation as a part of their Reading Book Pledge 2024, the books are of a high-quality (all published by Oxford University Press) and aimed at all age groups in school. We are very grateful for this donation and the children are already enjoying the wealth of new reading material across school. Our English Lead Mr Stamp

LONDON MINI MARATHON: The Running continues...

From 15th April —10th May our school will be taking part in the 'Mini London Marathon'. This is challenging each child to run, jog, walk 2.6 miles (16 laps of our track).

If we do well enough, we should receive one school London Marathon Badge.

This is very much geared for fun and is not competitive.

Get your running shoes on children! (Hopefully staff will join too!)



LIVING STREETS: Start Date: May 1st 2024

This programme aims to promote 'Active Travel' (walking, cycling, scooting, or parking 10 minutes away and walking) among children to travel to school. The Living Streets Initiative will be active for a whole year. Children will track their daily travel mode to school using our 'Travel Tracker'. If a child engages in 'Active Travel' at least once a week, each week, for a month, they will receive a pin badge in recognition. Moreover, the Travel Tracker will enable comparisons between our school and others in Lancashire, as well as among classes within St Wilfrid's, fostering a healthy spirit of competition. It is anticipated that this initiative will prompt more individuals to reconsider their school travel methods, thus boosting physical activity levels and reducing the number of cars on the road.



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STARS OF THE WEEK:

ASH: William

WILLOW: Gabrielle

CHERRY: Penelope

CHESTNUT: Cora

BEECH: Ellie

PINE: Daisy

SYCAMORE: Jack D

OAK: Charlie

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.

SPORTING SUCCESS:

A huge congratulations to our football team.

Last Saturday, they finished runners up in the final of the Easter Field Football Competition at Lancaster City.

They played really well and showed brilliant teamwork and courage.

Thank you to Mr McQuillan for giving up his Saturday to provide this opportunity for St Wilfrid's

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

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

1st May—Living Streets Begins

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

Wed 12th June - Induction Evening Key Stage One—6.30pm - 7.30pm

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

Wed 26th—Key Stage Two Induction Evening—Further details to follow

Wed 10th July—Summer Concert Afternoon—Details to follow

Final thought... Final thought... Our final worship song of the week was from Psalm 23.

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures,

he leads me beside quiet waters,

he refreshes my soul.