



# ST WILFRID'S NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2023

## A MESSAGE FROM MR NORTH...

It's been a very busy few weeks at St Wilfrid's. The weather seems to have become a little warmer and drier, and the first signs of spring are in the air. Hopefully the weather will hold for half term, which begins for pupils on Friday 10th February which is an INSET day.

Next week, if the drier weather holds, we are hoping the children will be able to take part in playtime on the field (predominantly KS 2 at this point) – this gives children much more space to play games etc.

Thank you ever so much for respecting the office opening times. (8:30am – 4pm) – Mrs Porter has managed to tick off a number of items from her lengthy to do list as a result! Please remember that you can still call outside of these hours and leave a message, for example, about a pupils absence.

Have a great weekend.

Mr North

## UPCOMING DATES

### February

**6th** Children's Mental Health week begins

**7th** Safer Internet Day

**9th** Last day of half term

**9th** slipper day

**10th** INSET Day

**13th** Half term starts

**20th** Return to school

### March

**2nd** World Book Day

**13th** Y5 Carbon Monoxide workshop

Y1 Easter Experience (am)

Y4 Easter Experience (pm)

**15th** Year 2&3 Carbon Monoxide workshop

**16th** Carbon Monoxide workshop

**17th** Red Nose Day

**21st** Parent Evening

**23rd** Maths Day

**23rd** Parents Evening

**31st** Last day of term.

### April

**17th** Return to school

**26th** Y 2 and Y3 Severn Trent workshops

### May

**1st** Bank holiday- school closed

**8th** Bank holiday- school closed

**9th** KS2 SATS tests begin

**26th** May Last day of half term

### June

**5th** INSET Day

**6th** Return to school

Remember to  
check out our  
social media  
pages for  
updates



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## ONLINE SAFETY

As reported earlier, we have had to deal with some concerning issues relating to children interacting with each other and people unknown to them using the platforms Whats App and Roblox. I know as a parent myself, it can be extremely challenging to keep up with new fads in online gaming, particularly when navigating privacy settings etc. I cannot stress the importance of monitoring what your children are being exposed to online. I urge you to consider all the facts before allowing your children to access platforms which may mean they are interacting with strangers.

Technology is now an integral part of our children's lives and I know you will agree that we need to make sure that when they are old enough to access games and social media, they make the right decisions and understand when something isn't right.

If you think your child has been a victim of online abuse of any kind, I strongly advise you to report the incident to <https://www.ceop.police.uk> or 101. Please also report to school.

***I have been asked to bring to your attention the following online cyber safety awareness session for parents, run by East Midlands Police Special Operations Unit. Please follow the link below if you wish to book a place.***

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-advice-for-parents-safer-internet-day-tickets-511593388597?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

This event has been targeted more directly at parents of secondary aged pupils, but is likely to be valuable for parents of younger children as well.

Please do talk to your young people regularly about online safety, the links below will offer helpful guidance.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>  
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

(If links don't work, copy and paste into browser)

## INTERNET SAFETY DAY

On Tuesday 7th February we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating Safer Internet Day 2023. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on children and young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more, to help to create a better internet.



We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, the UK Safer Internet Centre have created some free activities and information for parents and carers which are available at: [www.saferinternet.org.uk/SID-parents](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/SID-parents). Whether you have 5 minutes to start a conversation or hours to spare, there are top tips, quizzes and films which you can use at home with your child.

## CLUBS

We have a range of clubs currently happening.

Monday: Sport (Mr Devivo)

Tuesday: Lego Club (Mrs Noal)

Wednesday: KS2 Choir (Mrs Wood/Mr Clapham)

Thursday: Minecraft (Mr Clapham) & KS2 Sport (Mr Devivo)



If you wish for further information or would like to book a space for your child, please contact Mrs Porter in the office.

## WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March. At St Wilfrid's, we alternate the years that children dress up for this occasion. This year is a non dressing up day. Instead, we would love to run a 'book in a box' competition which myself and Mrs Sisson will be judging. A winner will be chosen from Foundation, Keys Stage One, Lower Key Stage Two and Upper Key Stage two. There are some examples of ideas below but also there are lots of inspiring ideas online.

As part of the day, we will be running our hugely successful 'book exchange' again. Bring in an old book your child has read and swap it for a different one which has been donated by someone else. Of course we hope to cater for everyone's tastes but this massively depends on the donations we receive. Please bring your books to exchange by Wednesday 1st March. The children will be visiting the library and taking part in other reading activities throughout the week.



## INSET DAY

Please be aware that Friday 10th February is an INSET Day and will therefore be closed to children.



Last year, we began using Picture News to support us in delivering Key Stage worships on Mondays. Within these worships, we look at an event from the news the previous week and make links to the bible, British Values and the 'protected characteristics'.

So far this half term we have addressed the issues:  
Should all energy we use be renewable?  
Can you learn how to manage under pressure?  
Do we throw away things too easily?  
How much control do influencers have over our choices?  
Does the natural world have rights?

Our worships are followed up in class the following day with the children enjoying the chance to discuss the issues raised further.

## LEGO CLUB

A vertical poster for 'LEGO CLUB' by 'Kids With Bricks'. The poster is framed by two vertical columns of colorful LEGO bricks (red, yellow, blue, green, orange). At the top center is a logo for 'KIDS WITH BRICKS' featuring a blue spiky-haired character with glasses made of colorful bricks. Below the logo, the text reads: 'JOIN OUR FABULOUS AFTER SCHOOL BRICKS CLUB', 'Every Tuesday 3:30- 4:30 (open to Years 1-6)', 'All clubs can take part in our exciting national inter school building competition', 'For more information or to book a place please visit our website [www.kidswithbricks.com](http://www.kidswithbricks.com)'. At the bottom center is a photograph of several children in red school uniforms sitting around a table, focused on building with a large pile of colorful LEGO bricks.

## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week is National Mental Health week, which all classes will be taking part in. Children will be involved in a number of activities, including discussing their understanding of this topic, and a range of activities to help promote positive mental health.



As part of this, next Thursday, children will be able to wear slippers in school, as children believe this will make them feel more comfortable in class. Depending on its success we may extend this opportunity after half term. If your child would like to bring a pair of slippers to wear (there is absolutely no need to do so), they need to have firm soles – the sock variety are not really appropriate in a classroom.



As the weather is drier, we are hoping to allow the KS2 children time on the field at breaks and lunchtime after half term. Therefore, children should need boots / appropriate footwear for this.

## PLAYTIMES

## FOOTBALL CARDS

We are having a number of issues with football trading cards in school, with children occasionally arguing about unfair trades etc. In addition, the cards are occasionally a distraction in class. Whilst we will allow these and similar cards in school for the time being, children should not swap / trade cards. We will review this decision after half term. We have also noticed that children are bringing in more small toys. Again, these can create distractions and problems when lost, and so should not be brought into school.

## YEAR 1 AND YEAR 5 CLASSES

After half term, we are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Henson back to St Wilfrid's following her maternity leave. As a result, the days Miss Knight teaches in Year 1 and Year 5 will change. In Year 1, Mrs Henson will teach Monday to Wednesday, with Miss Knight teaching Thursday and Friday. In Year 5, Miss Knight will teach on Monday and Tuesday, with Mrs Griffiths teaching Wednesday to Friday.

## ATTENDANCE

Please help support children by encouraging prompt and regular attendance. Well done to pupils in Reception and Year 2 who have the highest attendance since September.

# WANT TO SAVE MONEY ON YOUR FOOD BILL???



Would you like a box of fresh ingredients which change weekly?

Do you want to help reduce food waste?

Save a few pounds on your food bill?



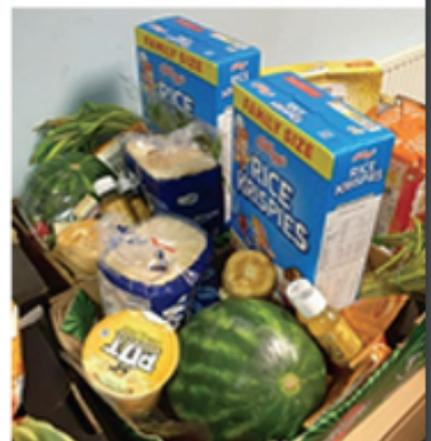
**The Core Centre will be holding a weekly Food Pantry Club which sells a box of food (value between £15-20) but will only cost you £3.50!**

This is NOT a food bank and is open to absolutely anyone who wishes to take advantage of the scheme. The primary aim is to reduce food waste by using food which is still fresh but close to its "use by date"

Core will be holding the Food Pantry every Tues morning and once registered, customers will be able to pick up their boxes between 10am and 1pm.

Membership is just £1 for the year - if you would like to register please call us on the number below.

**Spaces will be limited**



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WEDNESDAY 15TH FEB

9 AM - 15:15

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30 JANUARY 2023

# U11Ws TRAINING NIGHT

SCHOOL YEARS 5 & 6



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# A FUN FILLED FEBRUARY



## Monday 13th - Thursday 16th



Soccer School and  
Dance Academy  
Return!



USA Day



Superhero  
VS  
Supervillain  
Fancy Dress



### Where to find us

Greythorn Primary School  
NG2 7GH

Our Lady & St Edwards Catholic Academy  
NG3 2LG

Willow Farm Primary school  
NG4 4BN

More information and to Book Now -

<https://tbsport.class4kids.co.uk/camps>





# WESTCARR COACHING ACTIVITY DAYS!

13th & 14th February

We are providing school holiday activity sessions for  
children aged 7 - 14.

**£15 per day per child including lunch**

Activities include football, basketball, dodgeball,  
inflatables and many more games and prizes!



**ARNOLD HILL ACADEMY**

**NG5 6NZ**

**9.30AM - 2PM**



**CONTACT US TO BOOK A PLACE!**

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**FREE MEAL PROVIDED!**

