

Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

16th June 2023

Phew, it's been a scorcher!

We have tried to manage the heat and maintain the curriculum (and as much normality as possible!), but it's been a challenge.

Please ensure that you have applied sunscreen before your child leaves for school every day and make sure they have their water bottle and a hat. Summer dresses and shorts for the boys can be worn and the PTA have some recycled uniforms available.

Despite the heatwave the week has been filled with amazing experiences for some of the children.

Wandsworth Art Fringe 2023 and Sacred Heart Music

The Sacred Heart Orchestra wowed the audience at the Wandsworth Schools musical event. Everyone was impressed with the quality and maturity of the playing. The Orchestra is open to all children but of course requires a level of commitment to the practising of their instrument. They will be playing at the School Mass on Friday and hopefully that will inspire other children to want to join. Thank you to Mr Kwiwachek for his patience and hard work and to Mrs Bradley for giving her time that night.

A letter has gone home to KS2 children about Choir taster sessions. It would be great to see as many children joining the new choir as possible.

Sacred Heart Sports

A select group of athletes travelled to Paddington Athletics track on Monday to take part in a Quad Kids athletics meeting. The children came a very creditable third place. Well done to all and thank to Ms Ormonde.

There continues to be a large number of sporting opportunities before and after school and I encourage all families to take up the offer. If money is a barrier, please speak to the Office, Miss Ormonde or Mr Brading.

Big Green Week 2023

We started BGW with a whole school assembly. We introduced those children who have put themselves forward to support the school and their peers as Eco Ambassadors. We then recapped all the ways the school and the children are being (and can be in future), more responsive to Climate Change and to biodiversity. These include: tree planting, creating spaces for nature, growing our own food, composting, recycling paper and card, reusable water bottles and **coming soon ... a 'Refill shop'!**

There is also exciting news coming soon about the front garden. After the summer holidays, the final part of our attempt to make Sacred Heart *'the most nature friendly school with the most beautiful space for wellbeing'*, will come to fruition.

To celebrate BGW, the KS1 Gardening club got underway this week.

They picked strawberries weeded and watered the KS1 garden.



Nature geeks like me will know that Springwatch is on BBC2 at the moment and on Thursday, Y4 joined the team for a nationwide online lesson about pollution and its effects on nature depletion.

Curriculum Enrichment

Year 3 enjoyed a wonderful trip to Hampton Court on Thursday as a culmination of their history unit on The Tudors. They explored the kitchens of Henry VIII, his apartment and his great chamber. They identified familiar faces from our History learning such as portraits of Anne Boleyn, Catharine of Aragon and Elizabeth. Behaviour was exemplary, resulting in focused, happy children further deepening their knowledge and understanding of this period in history. A wonderful time was had by all!



On Monday the KS2 children will learn more about the Windrush Generation and their struggles and contributions to British life. Year 5 and 6 will join an online presentation from Baroness Floella Benjamin. This promises to be a fascinating talk about her life and work. Meanwhile the Y3 and 4 children will listen to a face to face assembly from Tyrone Reid, from the Chelsea FC Education team, about the Windrush families with a link to sporting achievement.

Catholic Life of the School

Today the school celebrated the school feast day – The Feast of the Sacred Heart by joining the Parish for the 10am Mass. The children received a special Sacred Heart medal to celebrate the day.

Family Prayer Group will resume as normal next Friday morning at 8.40. All families are welcome to join staff, pupils and parents in a service led by Deacon Michael. It is an uplifting start to the day.

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word is on the website and on Parentmail

The words of the week are **Gods Kingdom**

“Where Christ is, there is the Kingdom of God,” St Ambrose

Holy Communion

This Saturday the children of the Sacred Heart Parish will make their First Holy Communion. Our prayers and thoughts are with David, Ava, Alexandra, Amelia, Charlotte, Zayah, Deandrei, Gavriel, Kimberley, Lela, Ruairi and Zachary on this special occasion. We send our prayers to those children who have made their Communion elsewhere.

Magic Breakfast

We are delighted to be working with Magic Breakfast. A national charity who provides bagels free of charge to schools. We will be rolling out a programme of warm toasted, bagels from 6th June for KS2. They will be handed out between 8.50-9.00am at the Este Road gate. This will run every morning. It is a "grab and go" approach! The offer is open to all KS2 children. When we have got into a routine and ironed out any glitches we will expand the offer to the rest of the school.

It will be a case of all hands-on deck from support staff this week - until we can work out the most efficient method for preparing the breakfast. So please bare with us whilst we get into a routine.

Thank you in advance to the support staff who will prepare and hand out the bagels each day.

Thank you to Lorraine for heating and preparing the bagels for us and to Amanda for organising the Magic Breakfast.

Key School Dates

Date	Event
19 th June	Online Windrush session with Floella Benjamin KS2
20 th June	Catholic Schools Athletics Competition Y4
23 rd June	Multicultural Evening
27 th June	Y5 Cricket Tournament
28 th June	Choir at Emmanuel School
29 th June	Feast of St Peter and St Paul Mass
3 rd - 7 th July	Book Fair
3 rd July	Music Concert in School 2pm
4 th , 5 th and 7 th July	Road Safety Course Y6
5 th July	Reception & KS1 Sports Day at Falcon Park & School
6 th July	KS2 Sports Day at Battersea Park Athletics Track
12 th July	Y6 Production
14 th July	STEM Girls on Track UK events for Girls at Stamford Bridge
17 th July	Y6 Leavers Mass 3.45pm Y6 Leavers Party 4.45 - 6.00pm
18 th July	Y5 Trip to Horniman Museum
20 th July	Clapping Out Ceremony Y6 3pm (Y6 leaving)
21 st July	Last day of School. School closes at 1.30pm
4 th September	Inset Day – School closed
5 th September	First day of school

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Free Family Online Safety and Digital Skills Course




To book your place contact Megan from Power to Connect on 07934553192.

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SW11 2UG

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FREE BIKE CHECK & SECURITY MARKING

Six free sessions run throughout the summer at Bramlands Close, SW11 2LJ. Opposite the rear entrance of Clapham Junction Station



WORKSHOP DATES

- Saturday 10th June
 - Saturday 24th June
 - Saturday 8th July
 - Saturday 22nd July
 - Saturday 12th August
 - Saturday 2nd September (Back to school bike check)
- All dates 10am-3pm



This is a free drop-in service. However, if you want to guarantee your health check call the Regeneration Team on: 020 8871 6802 or email winstanleyyorkroad@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

BRING YOUR BIKE ALONG FOR A FREE SAFETY CHECK, SECURITY MARKING AND GET READY FOR THE SUMMER!

The Winstanley & York Road Regeneration team are working in conjunction with the Metropolitan Police and Wandsworth Council Community Safety to hold a series of pushbike health check and security marking events and would like to invite you to come along.

The teams will be available to provide updates on progress of the regeneration of the Winstanley and York Road estates regeneration and other local issues.

Each health check takes about 20 minutes to complete, where experienced mechanics will check everything on your bike from wheels, brakes, gears and tyre pressure to lights, racks, pedals, saddles and more. The bike marking can be done while you wait.

Use this opportunity to get your bike serviced for free and make sure it's in top notch health for the summer!

Taylor Wimpey

