

St Wilfrid's NEWSLETTER

It was wonderful to see some of our families at the 9.30am Mass at St William of York on Sunday. A huge thank you to parents who got children there, and especially to the children who helped us with readings, singing and the offertory procession. You did a fantastic job, and we were very proud of you!

We will be arranging a date to join the parish of Mother of God for their Sunday Mass, and will keep you posted about this.

This afternoon our Year 3 children returned from our first ever Y3 residential. They had an overnight trip to Thornbridge outdoors centre, and despite some fighting sleep until much later than was sensible, they were all fantastic and had a great time.



Well done Year 3!

After half term, we will be getting ready for observing the season of Lent in school. We always use this time to reflect on our relationship with God, and to make an extra effort to take action to support others. Amongst other things, we will be supporting Cafod's Big Lent Walk, and as always, raising money for Bishop Ralph's Good Shepherd appeal for Caritas, the diocese's social action organisation.

Have a wonderful half term break.



We are excited to have author Emma Reynolds Children's Illustrator & Author in school on Thursday 6th March [World book day]. She will lead an assembly, then work with smaller groups for draw-alongs and comic making.

We would appreciate a contribution of £2.20 per child to cover the cost of this.

If your child would like to buy one of her books, you can do this via Parentpay, and then Em-

ma will give your child a signed copy.

Her KS1 book is Amara and the Bats. Her book for KS2 is Drawn to Change the World.

Parents are invited to join us in classrooms from 2.50pm to share books and find out about our exciting day.

Holy Communion Classes

A message for the children who are taking their First Holy Communion at the Mother of God church this year. Holy Communion classes will take place in school every Thursday from 3:30 to 4:15

(term time only). The lessons will commence on Thursday 13th March 2025, and will continue up to the First Holy Communion Day on Sunday 15th June 2025. We look forward to seeing you at the Holy Communion parent meeting on Tuesday 25th February at 7:30 p.m. at the Mother of God Parish Centre. Mrs Andresen, Mrs Flint & Mrs Goodchild



Next PTA meeting

Our next Open PTA meeting is on Thursday 27th February at 7.30pm at the Millhouses Pub (951 Abbeydale Rd, Sheffield S7 2QD). All Welcome. The main focus of this meeting will be planning the upcoming disco on the 21st March.

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Delia Evans

Head teacher



Catherine Goodchild

Deputy Head



Mary Wilde Special Needs and Disability Co-ordinator [SENDco]

Safeguarding Statement

St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and requires all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

Visitor Procedures

All visitors must sign in at the main reception.

- All visitors will be issued with an appropriate pass which must always be displayed whilst on the site.
- Visitors will be asked to remain under the supervision of a designated member of staff whilst on site.
- All visitors must sign out at the main reception before leaving the site.
- Visitors wishing to see a member of staff should contact the school to make an appointment. If you are seeking an urgent appointment, please report to the main reception and we will arrange for you to see a member of staff.

E-Safety

Mobile Phones: To protect our children we respectfully ask that you do not have your phone out or use it during your time in the school building. If this is an issue, please contact a member of staff on arrival.

Photographs: Under no circumstances should you take photographs of our children whilst at our school.

Book Bus

Thank you to all the parents who bought books from the Book Bus on Tuesday! We made over **£220** in commission, so we have some lovely new books for our class reading areas.



Request for Outdoor Play Items—We would love to receive any donations of the following (or similar) items below for our outdoor and imaginative play. We are also reaching out to local businesses to support us with donations of loose parts. If you know anyone who could donate some of the items below, please can you speak to a member of staff.

These items will be used for children to play with on the junior and infant playground and also as part of provision in Early Years and Key Stage 1. We would also be very grateful of any donations of kitchen utensils and other items such as kettles, toasters etc for our mud kitchens. We are also always in need of balance bikes, scooters and helmets!











Well done to all the cross country runners who took part in the Catholic Cup last Saturday. St Wilfrids did really well. Adaline came first in the Y3/4 race, Roy came third in the Y5/6 boys race and our Y3/4 girls team won the team competition. Brilliant running from everyone!



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Please click the link below to book our half term clubs.

https://www.participant.co.uk/sporteds/event/497512#init

Please click the link below to book our before and after school clubs.

https://www.participant.co.uk/sporteds/event/evo__st_wilfrids_club_registration_24022025#init





Year Planner 2024/25

February			
Half Term 17 th - 21 st February			
Week 22	Mon	24 th	Pupils Return to School
	Tues	25 th	
	Wed	26 th	
	Thurs	27 th	
	Fri	28 th	Y3 Class Assembly 9.15am – Y3 Parents Invited
March			
Week 23	Mon	3 rd	Parents Evening School Hall 4.30pm – 6.30pm
	Tues	4 th	
	Wed	5 th	Ash Wednesday Mass 2.15pm – Parents Invited
			Parents Evening School Hall 4.00pm – 6.00pm
	Thurs	6 th	World Book Day
			Emma Reynolds – Whole School Author Visit
	Fri	7 th	
Week 24	Science		
	Mon	10 th	
	Tues	11 th	
	Wed	12 th	
	Thurs	13 th	
	Fri	14 th	
Week 25	Mon	17 th	
	Tues	18 th	
	Wed	19 th	
	Thurs	20 th	
	Fri 21 st	21 st	Y2/3 Class Assembly 9.15am – Y2/3 Parents Invited
		PTA Spring Disco – Information to Follow	
	Mon	24 th	I

We are hosting a series of **free squash sessions** designed to introduce young players to the sport, improve their skills, and build teamwork and fitness. Whether your child is a complete beginner or has some experience, these sessions will be fun, engaging, and beneficial for all levels. **Details:**

• Dates: Monday / Wednesday / Friday 4-5pm / 24th February to 28th March / 5 Weeks

- Location: Hallamshire Tennis & Squash Club / Apex Squash Programme
- Age Group: Y3 to Y6
- Cost: Free

These sessions will be led by qualified coaches, who will provide personalised attention to each participant. Spaces are limited, so we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible to reserve your spot.

To register, please email jayne@apexprogramme.co.uk with your child's name and preferred day. Please note that we need a minimum of 6 children for each session with a max of 12.

If you have any questions or need more information, don't hesitate to reach out.



St Wilfrid's v St Thomas Football Rematch

Staff & Parents

Thursday 27th March at 4pm Please email <u>enquiries@stwilfridssheffield.co.uk</u>if you would like to be part of our team. A REMINDER TO ENTER THE SHEFFIELD YOUNG ARTISTS COMPETITION—Deadline extended! Please bring your pictures in to enter the competition next week! ALL entries must be brought in and handed to your teacher or Mrs Glossop with your NAME and YEAR GROUP on the back of your lovely work by the 25TH FEBRUARY. So get making those lovely pictures. They need to be collected by the Abbeydale Rotary after half term to enter the competition. Thank you

Calling all St Wilfrid young artists!!

We have entered this competition for 2025.

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR ARTWORK BY **13TH FEBRUARY** AND HAND IT IN TO YOUR TEACHER OR TO MRS GLOSSOP.

REMEMBER TO MAKE SURE YOUR WORK IS NOT BIGGER THAN A4 SIZE

You will receive a certificate for your entry which you visit the exhibition on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th April.

Details below of the competition:-



Promoting Sheffield: "City of Excellence for Young People's Art" Key Stage 2 (years 3-6) 10 paintings Maximum size A4

MIXED MEDIA CATEGORY - UP TO KEY STAGE 2 Maximum of 10 pieces of work per school. Maximum size A4

DRAWING CATEGORY - UP TO KEY STAGE 2 Maximum of 10 pieces of work per school. Maximum size A4



Display at 'Art in The Gardens' Early September (Dates tbc)

ALL WORK TO BE SUBMITTED ON PAPER, CANVAS OR THIN CARD (MUST BE UNMOUNTED). THERE IS NO SPECIFIC THEME, SO ANY SUBJECT IS ACCEPTABLE.