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Friday 28th February 2025

Whole School
Attendance

95.9%

Welcome to St Winefride's Catholic Primary School where we
'Learn, Laugh, Listen, Live and Love' in the presence of Jesus.'

'Let Your Light Shine.' Matthew 5:16



A message from Mrs Davies to all our families....

Welcome back to school, after what I hope has been a restful and enjoyable half term break for you all. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and see smiling faces on Monday ready to start the half term ahead. Our Celebration of the Word Assembly on Monday focused upon how we feel on the inside can be seen on the outside in our expressions, words and actions. It was pleasing to see lots of smiling faces enter the school grounds first thing on Monday morning. It is also very welcome to see signs of Spring with the weather getting a little warmer and the mornings and evenings lighter and we even have some daffodils starting to bloom, around the school grounds. We have spent time, in prayer, this week, praying for Pope Francis that he has a swift recovery and be comforted by the love of the church and the prayers and the prayers of all the faithful. We ask that you keep Pope Francis in your prayers.



Our student council met with Mrs O'Gorman this week, to discuss progress from their last meeting. I am pleased to share, that upon the children's request to have vinegar on Friday, we have consulted with Edsential, our caterers and this has been agreed. Also, we continue to explore an area where children (with parents) and come along and swap books—watch this space. As part of their meeting, the children discussed the health and safety in the school grounds before school starts. They talked about the importance of dismounting bikes and scooters when reaching the entrance to the school grounds and walking to classrooms; keeping to the school paths and walking around the grounds rather than running. This needs to be adhered to by all. The student council will speak with the children in their class about expectations and I would appreciate your continued support with this also. The safety of all children and grown ups is paramount and we all have our part to play. The older children have been reminded that they should not be using their mobile phones, on the school playground, first thing in the morning also.

This Thursday, we invited all of the local schools to St Winefride's to participate in a Tag Rugby competition. The sun shone and the children enjoyed playing lots of games against Willaston and Parkgate, who attended. The children won many games and they lost and drew a game to Willaston, narrowly missing out on finishing in first place. We had children from years 4 to 6 taking part and playing against teams who made up mostly of year 6 children. Well done to all of the athletes who represented our school. All the staff and children enjoyed the afternoon and the staff from other schools commented upon what a wonderful afternoon it was. Thank you to all of our supporters who came to watch the children and encourage them. Well done children.



Next week, we welcome the Holy season of Lent. Our children, with their teacher, will be preparing to lead their class and family members in prayer and will lead a 'Stay and Pray' session. These dates will be shared with you, once they have been finalized. Father Francis is celebrating Mass, in school, on Wednesday and you are warmly invited. Please do join us, if you can. During Lent, all classes will be visiting St Winefride's church and celebrating Mass with Father Francis and parishioners. These dates shall be shared in our important dates communication.

SHINE ASSEMBLIES—Please note that I will share, in my newsletter, the dates for upcoming SHINE Assembly the week prior to the SHINE assembly taking place. Mrs Taylor will continue to email parents on the Monday regarding the SHINE Assembly which will be celebrated on the Friday of the same week. You are warmly invited to attend these celebrations .

Wishing you all a happy, sunny and restful weekend. **Mrs Davies.**

Important Dates next week...

W.C 3rd March 2025—School Clubs, led by Mr Mills, will commence this week.

Wednesday 5th March— Ash Wednesday at 11am—Whole school Mass. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Please join us.

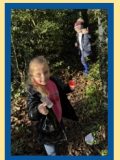
Thursday 6th March—World Book Day—The children will celebrate their love of books throughout the day by engaging in a variety of activities.

Friday 7th March—16th March—British Science Week. We will be celebrating our love of Science in a variety of ways during British Science Week.

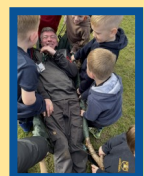
Maths Infinity— Using our embedded approach to Rosenshine's principles of instruction to teaching in small steps, our mathematics is taught using White Rose Maths schemes. To support the children with their learning, staff will be sharing a QR code and quiz number, each week, to access a quiz linked to the children's learning that week. It would be beneficial to download this App—**White Rose Infinity**, in advance of next week. We strongly encourage you to support your child accessing this quiz and completing all questions to help consolidate their learning in school. Our school code is: **CWB—QNB.**

Forest School—Thursday 27th February—Year One Class—Learning in the Outdoors

Our wonderful year one children arrived to school ready to engage in their Forest school session and speaking with them on Thursday, they really did have a wonderful morning. The focus of the first session was on the children's science topic—Animals. The children were looking at classifying animals by their diet. They learnt about herbivores, omnivores and carnivores and the different types of teeth that they have. The children then found lots of different insects and looked at them under the microscope. They took



some fantastic photos of the insects up close and even classified some of them as herbivores, omnivores and carnivores. The focus then moved to the children's History topic on Nurses. The children found suitable materials, in the forest, and made stretchers to carry injured soldiers in. They worked in teams to build a strong stretcher and even managed to lift their teachers!



Forest School sessions

Thursday 6th March—Forest school session for children in Reception class who will be joined by some children and staff