

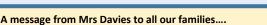
Whole School Attendance

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



Happy Easter to you all. I hope you had a wonderful and restful break and enjoyed spending time together. It has been lovely to welcome children back to school and with the sun shining also. The weather has been wonderful, this week, and the children have enjoyed their time, in the outdoors. Thank you for ensuring that children come to school wearing sunscreen and have a hat/ cap to wear also. There are many children bringing sunscreen into school. They will be directed, by their class teacher, when they can reapply this. Please make sure that you have practised the application of cream, with your child, prior to them bringing it into school. It is really important that all children have a water bottle. They will be allowed to refill this, throughout the day. It has been lovely to return and see so many children wearing summer uniform; everyone looks very smart. A gentle reminder to refer to our school uniform policy. This can be found on school website www.stwinefrides.cheshire.sch.uk.

Staff came together, on Monday, for a development day. We spent time in prayer together reflecting upon Pope Francis' service and leadership of our Catholic Faith. We reviewed the work that is happening in school, linked to Rosenshine's principles of instruction, and the positive impact that this is having on the education of our children as well as thinking about next steps to continue with positive practices that have been implemented in school already. As part of the day, we looked at curriculum development. We are committed to ensuring that our curriculum is ambitious and meets the needs of all learners. We are thankful to have time to come together, as a staff, to work towards our vision and aims and make progress in school development.



When our children returned to school, on Tuesday, we came together to give thanks for Pope Francis and for his humble, servant leadership. Pope Francis was committed to serving others. He shared that his own life journey was a journey of hope and in our world today, God's love and the hope that it brings is needed more than ever. In this jubilee year, Pope Francis called us to be Pilgrims of Hope, in our words, and actions and, at St Winefride's, we commit to this mission. We reflected upon the events of Holy Week and the restoration of hope, through the resurrection of Jesus.

All children have returned to their routines well and are working really hard in lessons. Next week, we will be inviting parents and carers, of children in





Reception and Year One, into school, to take part in a phonic session and create a resource to use with your child, at home. I strongly encourage you to attend, if you are able, as not only will you experience how your child is taught phonics, daily, but you will also be able to see your child's active participation in their learning, as well as find out ways in which you can support your child's phonic and early reading development.

Mrs Kelly has been busy creating a lovely garden area, just outside the Year 5 classroom and children have spent time gardening and planting, whilst developing their communication and social skills. The children have thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity and are eager to nurture what they have planted and watch it grow. Thank you to Mrs Kelly for creating this area and sourcing planting beds, bulbs, plants and flowers. We look forward to watching the how this areas develops and the insects it attracts.

Wishing you a wonderful bank holiday weekend. Mrs Davies



## Important Dates next week.

## Monday 5th May

BANK HOLIDAY - have a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend.

Tuesday 6th May — Children return to school. Classrooms open at 8.45am.

9.15am—Swimming session for children in Year 2.

All staff led clubs and Mr Mills' clubs will be on this week. Please ensure that you have booked sessions online using ScoPay.

Wednesday 7th May - 9.15am-10.30am-Phonic Workshop for parents of children in Reception.

Thursday 8th May-9.15am-10.30am-Phonic Workshop for parents of children in Year One.

9.15am—3.15pm—Year Three visit to Liverpool Museum.

3pm—Meeting for all Year 4 parents about the residential trip to Gulliver's World. SAVE THE DATE—we will be holding a Forest school session for children under 4 years old and parents on Thursday 22nd May 9.15am—11.45am. This session is free. Please speak to the office staff to book a place. Please feel free to share with family and friends.

## Forest School—Thursday 1st May —Reception and Little Gems — Learning in the Outdoors



The children were stewards of creation and picked up litter from the school grounds helping them to understand the importance of looking after their environment-God's World. This theme is



threaded throughout a book that the Reception children are studying 'Clem and Crab.' Using a range of resources, the children made minibeast habitats. The children spend time planting bulbs, in the school grounds, to remember Pope Francis.



Thursday 8th May 2025 — Forest school session for children in Year 5 and parents/ carers. Please ensure that your child (and you, if attending) comes to

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school dressed wearing suitable clothing for Forest

