



# St. William of Perth Catholic Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER NO 7: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Year 3 Class Assembly** Well done to Year 3 on a fantastic class assembly this morning which explored the themes of friendship and also the parable of the good Samaritan.

### **Muddy Madness**

To-date, only 50% of the student sponsorship forms have been received. Thank you to those of you who have returned your sponsorship money. May we ask for all unreturned sponsorship forms and money be handed to class teachers no later than Wednesday of next week, thank you.

### **Parent Evenings**

For this academic year will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021 when you will be able to meet individually with class teachers. Parents are asked to make arrangements for the care of their children on this evening. Children may not be left on school premises unattended. **Letters have been sent home with the eldest child / only child last Friday** (also sent via ParentMail). You will receive notification of your allotted meeting time via your eldest (or only) child's book bag on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Year 5 Class Trip**

As part of their History and Art topic, St. George's class will be visiting The Museum of Kent Life on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October to take part in a Greek Day. Unless pre-ordered from Contract Dining, parents are reminded that children will require a home packed lunch for the day.

### **Contract Dining**

There will be a change of menu on Monday of next week. In place of hot subs, the children will be offered pizza.

### **Catch Up Sessions**

Our after school catch up lessons continue after school on a Monday.

### **Year 6 Swimming**

Year 6 swimming lessons continue on Tuesdays. Please make sure children come appropriately dressed and have a coat and umbrella as we will be attending the sessions even if the weather is inclement.

### **Choir Club**

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021 at 7pm – Please save the date. Children perform a Christmas concert to their parents/families.

### **Charity Events**

**Harvest Collection** – we thank you for your donations of tinned and dried items of food etc. for the Medway Food Bank. Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.

We are very proud of our children and their understanding of others needs both in our school and the wider community. As such, we would like to support various charities throughout this academic year. To help you budget for any charitable donations; may we take this opportunity to let you know of our plans so far.

**Love In A Box leaflets** were sent home last week. We are delighted to have received the first donation to our Christmas Box appeal in support of the Mustard Seed Relief Mission. Items such as toys, toiletries and confectionary are collected in a festive wrapped shoe box which are delivered to children by the charity. **The final day to make your Christmas Shoe Box donation is Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November.**

**PTA Bags2School** - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021 and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 –Families are invited to donate unwanted items of clothing / shoes etc. All money raised is donated to the school PTA.

**Poppy Appeal** – In support of the Royal British Legion. Paper poppies and assorted merchandise will be on sale leading up to Armistice Day on the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

**NSPCC Tag Day** – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November - **£1.00 per child**

**Children in Need** – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November further details nearer the date.

**PTA Christmas Market** – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November further details nearer the date.





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## **Admissions – Primary Schools 2022/2023**

The Medway admissions is now open for primary school applications 2022 / 2023. You can apply for your child to start school in year R (reception) if they were born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018. Please be aware that applying to St. William of Perth and other Catholic schools you also need to complete a Catholic supplementary information form. This can be found on our school website on the admissions page.

<https://www.stwilliamofperth.org.uk/Admissions>

[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200137/schools\\_and\\_learning/1059/applying\\_for\\_a\\_primary\\_school\\_place](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200137/schools_and_learning/1059/applying_for_a_primary_school_place)

## **New Parent Tours**

Parental tours for perspective new parents have now started. These will take place after school in small groups. Please contact the office to book onto a tour.

## **Secondary School 2022 Admissions**

You can apply for a secondary school place if your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011. Application dates for secondary school 2022 admissions opened on 9 am Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September and close 5 pm Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200137/schools\\_and\\_learning/1061/applying\\_for\\_a\\_secondary\\_school\\_place](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200137/schools_and_learning/1061/applying_for_a_secondary_school_place)

**If you are planning to view secondary schools during the school day**, please confirm by email, the date and time that your (Y6) child will be absent from St. William Perth and the school that you will be visiting.

## **School Fund**

Thank you to the parents who have made their family contribution of £15.50 We ask that the contribution is made via ParentPay. These are much needed funds which help supplement resources within our school.

## **Outstanding Monies**

We would be most grateful that, whenever possible, payment for school uniform is made by cheque rather than cash. Cheques are to be drawn to St. William of Perth RCP School, thank you. School Fund, School trips (on request), are to be paid via your child's ParentPay account please.

## **ParentPay**

We are aware of a number of parents who have yet to activate their child/children's ParentPay account. Should you require any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

## **Wednesday morning SEN appointments**

Should you wish to make an appointment to discuss any SEN related issues please speak with the office and they will arrange an appointment for a Wednesday morning after 9:30. Alternatively, you may email Mrs Ward directly on [sen@stwilliamperth.medway.sch.uk](mailto:sen@stwilliamperth.medway.sch.uk) . Phone consultations are preferable.

## **Safeguarding**

Please find below useful links to help keep children safe.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

<http://www.mscc.org.uk/>

To view or download a copy of a parent guide from NSPCC about 'PANTS' and how to keep your child safe from abuse click the link below: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/pants/pants-2018/pants-parents-guide-online.pdf>

## **INSET DAY Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 - CHILDREN NOT IN SCHOOL**

## **Praise Assembly Celebrations!**

**House Points.** Team house winner this week: Blue

**Walking Boot** Great walking on Wednesday this week. Years 4. Keep walking!

**Merit Award** Well done to the following children who received a merit award certificate in today's Praise Assembly.

Y R Elise, Y 1 Calum, Y 2 Ocean, Y 3 Ivy, Y 4 Isiah, Y 5 Katherine, Y 6 Jasper.

## **Mrs Crowther**

We wish Mrs Crowther well as she begins her maternity leave. She is expecting her third child. We wish her every happiness at this special time.

Enjoy your weekend

Yours sincerely,

J. Willis

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## DIARY DATES – Subject to Change

<b>October</b>		
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 5 Class Trip Ancient Greece Day	Museum of Kent Life
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Final day of Term 1 (INSET DAY – No children in school)	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Half Term	
<b>November</b>		
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Start of term 2	<b>Winter Uniform</b>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent / Teacher Meetings	
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bags2School – donate unwanted clothing etc.	9am Cycle compound
	Parent / Teacher Meetings	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	NSPCC – Charity non-school uniform Tag Day	£1 per child
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Children In Need	Details to follow
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup>	Book Fair	
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Armistice Day – Poppy Appeal leading up to this day	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Love In A Box – Christmas Shoe Box	<b>Donation deadline</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Tag Day – in support of Christmas Market	Details to follow
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Flu Immunisation (provisional date)	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	WW II Day – Museum of Kent Life – Class trip	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	PTA – Christmas Market	School Field 3.30 pm
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Rochester High St – Christmas Lights switch on	
<b>December</b>		
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Choir Club Christmas Concert	7 pm
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Final Catch up Session for Term 2	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS / KS1 Nativity <b>TBC</b>	2 pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS / KS1 Nativity <b>TBC</b>	6 pm
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Pantomime Trip	
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Advent Carol Service TBC	7 pm
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	School Christmas Dinner Day	

