



# St. Wilfrid's Church of England Primary Academy

'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'  
Philippians 4:13



## Summer Term 2024 Term Newsletter

We are looking forward to an enjoyable summer term. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 6 Team: Mrs. Broome, Miss Cowburn, Mrs. Cunliffe, Mrs. Prentki and Mrs. Forrester  
Upper Key Stage 2 Phase Leader: Mrs. Prentki

Our Curriculum: Curriculum Overviews can be accessed on the school website)

**Mathematics:** We will be revising all concept areas and will be working on our problem solving/reasoning skills. Children will be working towards Key Stage 3 transition work, including the use of calculators.

**English:** In English we will explore the following genres:

**Formal writing:** Police incident report

**Narrative:** The Spider and The Fly

**Procedure:** Instruction manual – How to be a successful Y6 student

**Poetry:** Free Verse Moving on.

**Religious Education:** This term, we will be looking at the themes of Ascension and Pentecost, Ideas about God and People of Faith.

**Science:** Science units of work involve methods of enquiry and investigation. Scientific facts are taught, but more importantly, they are used to further learning and understanding. The aim is to develop an enquiring mind and the skills and techniques to find the answers to questions in a reliable and systematic way. The units this term are:

- Animals including humans
- Living Things and their habitats

**Topic:** In History, we will be uncovering the mysteries of the Maya civilisation. We will learn about Maya ruins, the life, society and civilisation of both ancient and modern Maya people.

In Geography, we will be studying South America with a particular focus on Brazil.

**Music:** In Music the children will learn the importance of film music and study prolific composers, such as John Williams and Hans Zimmer.

**Physical Education:** Topics this term will include cricket followed by dance and adventurous outdoor activities.

**Art and Design:** Children will learn about Mayan culture in Art, culminating in a printing project.

**PSHE:** Year 6 will be learning about living in the wider world with a focus on our own community and moving onto secondary school.

**French:** In French, we will be learning about ice cream flavours, pastimes and favourite subjects.

**Summer Term Focus Theme:** Animal Allsorts

**Focus Reading Text:** Wonder by R.J Palacio

**Recommended Websites:**

<https://www.history.com/topics/ancient-americas/maya>

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/mayans/>

**Twitter Accounts to follow:**

@St\_Wilfrids\_CE @StWilfridsMusic @StWilfridsSport

@St\_Wilfrids\_6C @St\_Wilfrids\_6B

**Home Learning:** In Year 6, home learning will be sent home each week as a written task. English and Maths Homework will be given out on **Monday** and **MUST** be handed in **every Monday**.

**Spellings:** Children will be given a spelling list every Monday and will be tested the following Monday.

**Reading:** In order to be competent readers, children need to read regularly at home and school. Parents/Carers are asked to encourage their children to read regularly and to read for pleasure.

We ask parents and carers to sign and date reading records every time you hear your child read (we expect a minimum of **four** entries or comments a week). This is an ideal opportunity to question your child on their understanding of the text, to improve their comprehension skills and vocabulary. Reading records must be brought into school on your child's allocated day, for teachers to monitor.

**Library:** Children will have the opportunity to change their reading book and library book once a week on an allocated library afternoon.

**Year 6 library afternoon is Friday** - Please ensure that your child brings their reading book and library book on this day if they wish to change it.

All children will have the opportunity to read a variety of high-quality texts in class, including 'Reading for Pleasure' books, and 'Related Reads', which are linked to their focus theme.

**Maths:** Children in Year 1 to 6 have got access to **TT Rockstars**, a math's programme focusing on multiplication tables [link](#) Please encourage your child to this online programme on a regular basis. If you do not know your child's username and password, please contact [helpdesk@saintwilfrids.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:helpdesk@saintwilfrids.wigan.sch.uk)

### Summer Term 2024 Diary Dates:

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

w/c Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May

w/c Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May

w/c Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

w/c Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June

w/c Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June

w/c Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

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SWEET Springo Bingo Event 5.45 – 6.45pm & 7.00 – 8.00pm (Ticket Only)

Easter Praise Services at Church 9.30am Rec & KS1 and 10.30am KS2

Non-Uniform Day for April Birthdays (Y2 & 3 on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April)

Bikeability training for Reception children

School closed for Bank Holiday

Year 2 SATs week (Part 1)

Rearranged Year 3 Trust Experience to Liverpool

Year 6 SATs week

Year 2 SATs week (Part 2)

Year 3 Ancient Egyptian Workshop

Non-Uniform Day for May Birthdays (Y2 & 3 on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May)

School closes for half term



School reopens for Summer Term 2

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Year 1 Trust Experience at St. Wilfrid's – Big Top Tent

Year 6 Heart Dissection Workshop

Reception RE Workshop (Worldwide Faiths)

Year 6 PGL Meeting at 5.30pm

Class Photographs

Year 6 Bikeability

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and Year 2 Rechecks

Nursery Trust Experience at St. Wilfrid's – Den Making

Year 4 Trust Experience – Watersports

Year 6 PGL Residential to Boreatton Park

Reception Educational Visit to Smithills Farm

Year 6 Confirmation Service at St. Wilfrid's Church

Induction Evening for Parents and Carers of new to Nursery and Reception pupils

Reception Trust Experience at Haigh Hall

Non-Uniform Day for June Birthdays (Y2 & 3 on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June)

Sports Days (see letter for arrangements)

Year 2 Transition Meeting at 5.30pm and Year 5 (Current Year 4) PGL Meeting at 6.00pm

St. Wilfrid's Summer Fayre

Whole School Transition Day

Year 4 Summer Gala Concert at Robin Park

Non-Uniform Day for July, & August Birthdays (Y2 & 3 on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July)

Year 6 Leavers' Disco at The Crown

Year 6 10-Pin Bowling Trip to Hollywood Bowl

Blessing of the Year 6 Leaver's Bibles Service in Church at 9.30am

Year 6 Leavers' Service at School

School closes for Summer Holiday

### Spring Term 2024 Worship Themes:

w/c 15.4.24

Easter Praise

w/c 22.4.24

Emmaus Road

w/c 29.4.24

Hope

w/c 7.5.24

Ascension

w/c 13.5.24

Pentecost – coming of the spirit

w/c 20.5.24

Trinity – How do we see God?

w/c 3.6.24

Baptism

w/c 10.6.24

How do we serve the community?

w/c 17.6.24

Courage

w/c 24.6.24

Service – Armed Forces Day

w/c 1.7.24

Trust

w/c 8.7.24

Fair

w/c 15.7.24

New Beginnings

### Additional Information:

**Playground Equipment and Games:** Children are not allowed to use any of the playground equipment or bring in balls to play with before or after school. Also, children are not permitted to use bikes or scooters on the school grounds. This is for health and safety reasons. Children must not enter the school car park or climb on the blue railings.

**PE Uniform:** PE lessons will take place on **Tuesday**. Swimming lessons will take place on **Thursday**. Children will be expected to attend school in PE uniform on their PE day. This consists of a sky-blue T-shirt, school jumper, cardigan or hoody, and navy/black shorts, or navy/black leggings, or navy/black joggers, and a pair of dark-coloured trainers (no bright colours please). Children are also encouraged to bring a rainproof jacket for outdoor use in inclement weather.

**Handwriting Pens (KS2):** Teachers will issue a 'Pen License' if and when your child is ready to make the transition from pencil to pen.

**Parking:** Please be reminded that parking on the school premises is for permit-holders only between 7am and 4.30pm.

**Attendance and Punctuality:** Good attendance is crucial in your child's education. If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please notify the office staff.

**School Uniform:** Please ensure that children wear the correct school uniform and look smart. This includes black shoes. We strongly encourage you to have your child's name clearly marked or labelled in all items of clothing. Please ensure that your child comes to school with a coat. We encourage hair accessories, such as hair bands and bobbles, to be consistent with the colour of the uniform e.g., sky blue, navy, grey or black. Long hair should be tied back.

**Earrings:** Children are not permitted to wear earrings in school. This is for health and safety reasons.

**Water bottles:** Children are encouraged to drink water during the school day to keep them hydrated. They may bring in a plastic water bottle (preferably clear) with their name labelled on it. They should take it home regularly to be washed. Children can refill bottles in school.

**Sun care:** As the weather begins to improve, please could you provide your child with a sunhat, which is clearly labelled with their name, and ensure that they have had sunscreen applied before school.

**Snacks:** Children may bring in a snack of either toast or a piece of fruit for morning playtime. Other items such as cakes, biscuits, crackers, sweets, cereal or fruit bars are not permitted at playtime. Please be aware that there are children in school with nut allergies. Therefore, can you please ensure that your child does not bring any items containing nuts into school as part of their packed lunch or snack. Please note that this may include some cereal bars.

**Birthday Celebrations:** We will continue to invite children to wear non-uniform on the last Friday of the month of their birthday. Children will not be required to bring in a party snack.

**Medication:** If your child requires medication such as inhalers, please ensure that you child's class teacher is provided with medication that is within its expiry date and is clearly labelled. You will be required to complete a medical form from the school office.

**Pets:** Dogs are **not permitted** on the school grounds. Please do not tie dogs up near areas where children will walk.