

St. Wilfrid's Catholic (VA) Primary School and Nursery



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2015 TO 2016

Autumn 2015

2 September to 17 December

(Reception Class start full time 3 September)

Half Term: 26 to 30 October inclusive

Spring 2016

5 January to 23 March

Half Term: 15 to 19 February inclusive

Summer Term 2016

12 April to 20 July

Half Term: 30 May to 3 June inclusive

Bank holiday: 2 May

Staff Training Days: 1 September, 4 January, 11 April

Autumn Term 2016

6 September to 22 December

(Reception Class start full time on 7 September)

Half Term: 24 – 28 October inclusive

WELCOME BACK TO EVERYONE!

It's lovely to see all our children back, fresh after the summer holiday. They all look so neat and tidy with big smiles on their faces.

All the classrooms have been painted. We have new blinds throughout the school, the last windows and doors have been replaced and Reception have a lovely new outdoor area so a BIG THANK YOU to anyone who does the National Lottery. A grant of £10,000 helped us to install this lovely area - could do with the same for Nursery. We also want to repair the other outdoor equipment. We will be installing a defibrillator in school very soon. (Hope the Dad with the drill is going to come back and do it!) When we do, we will arrange some training for parents as I'm sure you've seen defibrillators on your travels and may wonder how to use them. I'm told it's very easy. It talks to you and tells you what to do. All staff have had asthma training. Please make sure we know if your child has asthma, that their inhaler (blue only) is in school and in date and that you give us written permission to use an emergency inhaler. Mrs O'Brien will be in contact.

WELCOME! To Miss Brown-Crowther in Y6 and Miss Duffy who is spending most of her year in Y3 with Miss Crawley, completing her teacher training through Wigan Catholic Primary School Direct & Liverpool Hope University. Welcome to Reception! We also have plenty of places available in **NURSERY** so please pass on to anyone looking for good quality Nursery provision.

VACANCIES

We are looking for a new site supervisor/handyperson; job advert on the Wigan Council website next week.

WITH YOU ALWAYS Sacramental programme for first Holy Communion & Confirmation for Y4 starts soon. Look out for letters from Fr John.

PARKING For those new to St Wilfrid's, parents should not park on the school car parks at all. Before 8.30 a.m. and after 4.45 p.m. parents who are delivering/collecting children to/from breakfast and after school club may use the car park but be mindful that staff start arriving from 7.30 a.m. and in order to use the car park efficiently we have to park as neatly as possible so if you block the way, we're all thrown for the rest of the day! If a school club ends at 4.30p.m. please park on the road.

DOG are not allowed on school grounds.

CLASSROOM DOORS open at 8.50 a.m. No children should arrive before then, especially if unaccompanied.

PARENTPAY

If you haven't already registered for Parent Pay, please do so. This is our main form of communication with parents. We send out regular emails, occasional texts and you can pay for everything in school on line via Parent Pay. If you do not want to pay on line, and not everyone does, please register so that we can send emails and letters to you.

SPEAKING TO CLASS TEACHERS/SUPPORT STAFF

Teachers do not have time for lengthy conversations in the morning as they need to start working with your children but please do arrange another time to speak to them if you have concerns or queries. Support staff will take messages for you as well.

NURSERY GATE NOW OPEN!

- Morning, afternoon and lunchtime for nursery parents.



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