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Weekly Newsletter Friday 13th October 2023



Dear Parents.

It does seem to have switched to the Autumn today, so please make sure that your child brings a coat to school so that they are prepared for changes in the weather. We try to get out even if it is drizzling and raining, and it is not pleasant to be in a damp sweatshirt when you are back in class.

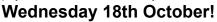
We are constantly working on reminders for our children about manners, and responding to instructions, and most of our children are well behaved and polite. Please support us by talking to your child about the need to listen and respond to all of the adults working at school. We want our children to be ACE and we need you to support us with ensuring that they can be the best that they can be!

Have a lovely weekend! Best Wishes

Sharon Lynch (Headteacher)

Christmas Cards

Your child will bring home their Christmas Card design next week and your order and payment must be returned by





Jack & the Beanstalk PANTOMIME at Catford Broadway! Tuesday 19th December

Reception to Year 6 will all go to the Pantomime!

£10 per child.

Please pay via ParentPay asap.



SWOYSA

Spooky and Sparkly Disco

Thursday 2nd November

5.30-7pm £2 per child/£5 per family Paying Bar, Food and snacks!



Harvest Liturgy

led by Yr 5

Wednesday 18th October

at 2.30pm in the school hall Please join us as we give thanks for the wonder of God's creation!



Please bring donations in for Lewisham Foodbank next week!

All Saints Day Mass

Wednesday 1st November at 10.30am



Yr 5 will be leading this mass - please do join us to pray with our school and parish community

RAINBOW HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB

Book your place in advance!

Email: Rainbow ASC@hotmail.co.uk Text or Whatsapp: 0785 477 4096



Black History Month

Nursery: Hamza Yassin

Hamza Ahmed Yassin is a British wildlife cameraman and presenter, known for his role as Ranger Hamza on CBeebies and his work on shows such as Countryfile and Animal Park, as well as presenting programmes

about Scottish wildlife. In 2022, he won Strictly Come Dancing.

Reception: Dina Asher-Smith



The fastest British woman on record, she won a gold medal in the 200 metres, silver in the 100 metres and another silver in the 4×100 m relay at the 2019 World Championships, breaking her own British records with further records which still stand. Aged 24, Asher-Smith was the first Briton to win three medals at a World Championships, and the first British woman to win a World title in a sprint event.

Maxi Priest

Max Alfred Elliott, known by his stage name Maxi Priest, is a British reggae vocalist of Jamaican descent. He is best known for singing reggae music with an R&B influence, otherwise known as reggae fusion. He was born in Lewisham.

His parents had moved to England from Jamaica to provide more opportunity for their family and he grew up listening to gospel, reggae, R&B, and pop music. He first learned to sing in church, encouraged by his mother, who was a Pentecostal missionary.

Yr 1: Misty Copeland

Misty Danielle Copeland is an American ballet dancer for American Ballet Theatre. In 2015, Copeland became the first African American woman to be promoted to principal dancer in ABT's 75-year history.

Yr 2: Lauren James



Lauren Elizabeth James (born 29 September 2001) is an English professional footballer who plays for Chelsea and the England. She was born in London. She is of Grenadian and Dominican descent through her father, and English descent through her mother.



Rainbow Breakfast and After School Club at SWOY



Drop off at 7.30am for Breakfast Club Collect at either 4.15pm or 6pm for After School Club

Book your place in advance!

Email: Rainbow ASC@hotmail.co.uk

Text or Whatsapp: 0785 477 4096



Dates for your diary!

Wed 18th Oct Harvest Liturgy Tues 31st Oct Book Look Wed 1st Nov Book Look

All Saints Mass 10.30am

Thurs 2nd Nov Flu Immunisations Tues 7th Nov Parents' Evenings Thurs 9th Nov Parents' Evenings

Sun 3rd Dec SWOYSA Christmas Fair Wed 6th Dec EYFS & KS1 Christmas Play

Wed 13th Dec Rock Steady Concert

KS2 Carol Service

Wed 20th Dec Last Day of Term

Mon 8th Jan First Day of Spring Term

Led by Yr 5 3.30pm 8.30am Led by Yr 5 Yr 1 - Yr 6 4 - 6.30pm 4 - 6.30pm (online) 12.30 - 3pm 10.30am & 2pm

9.45am 6.30pm 2pm finish

Book Look

Tues 31st & Wed 1st Nov Come and look through your children's books before Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening

Tues 7th (Face to Face appointments) and Thurs 9th November (on Zoom) Book appointments after half term!

Religious Artefacts

Do you have any statues. icons, religious pictures or objects that might need a



new home? We are trying to add to our RE resources and would be happy to accept any donations that you might like to pass on to school. Please give anything you have to Mrs Lynch. Mrs Mayers or Ms Thorn. Thank you!

SWOYSA Tea Afternoons

Each class takes it in turns to host a Tea Afternoon over the year. Each one will have a

GREAT SWOY BAKE OFF COMPETITION!

Friday 17th November

Hosted by Yr 5 Parents 2.30pm - 3.45pm

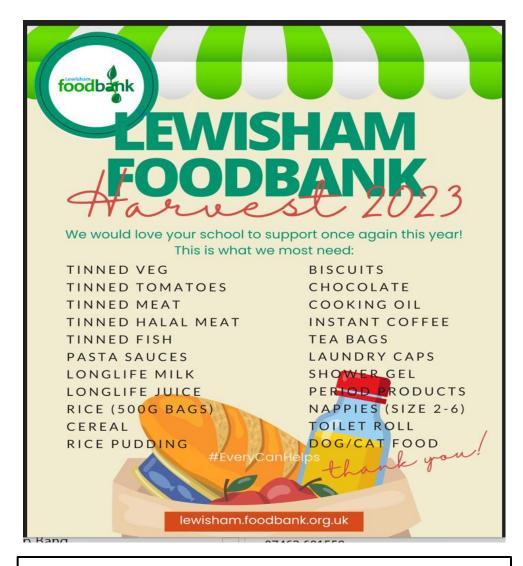






NEXT FAMILY MASS will be SUNDAY 5th NOV at 9.30am

Please make an effort to come along. All of our children are needed to support the singing. Yr 5 will lead with singing the Psalm.



Foodbank Donations!

We will be collecting donations for the foodbank over the next few weeks, so please add an item or two to your shopping trolley! It will be in the playground at the beginning and the end of the day.

There are many families in need of support in our community, and our school community has always been very generous. It is a good opportunity to talk to your children about the importance of sharing what we have with others.

Once we have a good collection, we will organise the children to walk to The Hope Centre to drop off their donations, with their Buddy class.

We will have a further drive for collections in the lead up to our Harvest Liturgy on 18th October.

SWOYSA EASY FUNDRAISING

SWOYSA are registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

Click on this QR Code! OR You can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/swoysalewisham/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1

Lewisham Black History Month 2023 Community-led events

#ADAPT Black History Harvest

Sunday 1 October, 11.30am - 3pm Coco Collective- Ital Community Gardens, SE6 3SE

FREE

Following the success of last year's Black History Harvest comes a programme for the younger generations. Expect food growing workshop for children and young people, discussions on adapting to climate change, harvesting crops and talking through tropical foods from the diaspora. Entry is via the black gate next to 75 Firhill Road. Book your free ticket for #ADAPT Black History Harvest.

75 Years and Counting

Thursday 5 October, 11.30am - 2.30pm Honor Oak Community Centre, SE4 2JD

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This intimate exhibition will comprise shared experiences of the Windrush and NHS – both of which turned 75 this year – from members of the Honor Oak Community Association Over-55s group and the wider 60 Up group. It will include a cookery demonstration, light refreshments, limber up/dance session and a self-care workshop.

To book, email info@60up.org.uk or call 020 3667 3704

Gallery In The Air

Saturday 7/ 14/ 21/ 28 October Lewisham African Initiative Development (LAID) Deptford Market Yard, SE8

FREE

A fantastic series of free, open-air exhibitions giving a platform to local young, black artists. Taking place each Saturday throughout October from 10am – 4pm in Deptford Market Yard. There will also be an indoor space showcasing and celebrating the rich heritage and history of Britain's black communities – from miners to dockworkers, from Britain's Black Panthers to the roots of the Notting Hill Carnival.

Celebrating Our Sisters: Black Female Artists Honouring Black History Month

Monday 16 – Sunday 22 October Pop Up At Brockley, 16-18 Brockley Cross, SE4

FREE

A curated collection celebrating black sisterhood. Enjoy paintings, photography, sculpture and multimedia installations created exclusively by black female artists which pays tribute to the collective experiences of black women. This is an inclusive space that uplifts, inspires, and acknowledges the invaluable contributions black women have made in the borough, the UK and beyond.

Opens Monday 16 October at 6pm.

Opening hours: Tuesday-Friday 11am-6pm, Saturday 10am-6pm, Sunday 11am-4pm

Nursery and Reception!

Have you got any of the items listed below? Can you collect a few items and drop them into Nursery or Reception! All donations gratefully received!

Loose parts Play

Ribbons & FEaTHeRS EGG cartons and ACornS

SHELLS and leavES wool & string MILK CRATES AND BASINS

POTS & PaNs Baking trays & MUD Sand & SToneS

Kitchen urtensils — spoons, potato masher, SIEVes

Hammer and nails Sticks and stones twigs & felt

Silk and tin foil Tarpaulin & DRiffWOOd

Velcro ROLLERS and Sponges Brushes AND PANNT

Dried pasta and PULSES Guttering and TYRES Cardboard

PLasTIC bottles and TOPs DOLLY pegs and CURTAIN rings

Funnels and WAter Plant POTS and wood Pallets

Rope, Wool and RiBBoN STRAW bales and wood
KeYs and cove moulding Ramboo and baskets

SHeefS and ChALK Hessian and buckets

Spare Carrier Bags needed!

We need your old carrier bags for when our children have little accidents and we need to send their uniform home!

We also need carrier bags fpr the foodbank too! Thank you!