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Weekly Newsletter Friday 16th July 2021

Dear Parents,

What a fun week! We started with the disappointment of England losing the final, but were able to celebrate the great teamwork and sportsmanship, and the fact that Italy won after a great game! Congratulations to all of our Italian families!

Our mini Sports Days have given our children the opportunity to challenge themselves and also to understand about winning and losing and encouraging each other to do their very best. Today, we are all watching the Year 6 Leavers' Play as a film premiere. It is sad that they were unable to perform live for everyone but we have the legacy of their film for a long time! We are very proud of them all.

As you know, we have had our Yr 3 class self isolating this week, and whilst there are many schools who have been badly affected by bubble closures, we have been fortunate so far! Please do keep thinking about how to stay safe and healthy as we don't want people to have to start the holidays self isolating!

You will receive your child's End Of Year Report today, it is a summary of the time we have been in school this year and we hope that you will find it useful. There have been no statutory assessments this year due to Covid, but we have tracked your child's progress using our Target Tracker system. We have also identified any gaps in the children's learning and adjusted the curriculum for the next 2 years to accommodate this. We are very proud of how our children have managed all of the disruptions and know they will be OK!

We have had a busy week and thank you to the parents who have attended our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion meeting, led by our Governors, Sabrina, Alfonso and Bayo. It is really important that we challenge each other, and ask ourselves some perhaps uncomfortable questions so that we can move forward to ensure we are addressing the systemic racial bias in our education system. Whilst we have been doing a lot of work on the curriculum, the parents at the meeting felt we need to be more explicit and clear about the school's approach to diversity in the curriculum. At our recent Full Governing Body meeting, we shared reports from our Curriculum Leaders and Governors have asked that we share the information with parents too. I hope you will find it interesting and enlightening. We will share more about our curriculum on our school website over the summer.

In this newsletter, we share with you who your child's teacher will be next year. We do have some news to share as Mr Gilbride is completing his teacher training in September, and will move on to become a teacher after his final teaching practice. He has not been in school for the last couple of weeks as he has had an operation on his wrist. You may know that Mr Gilbride was a pupil at SWOY himself so his connection with SWOY has been since he was 5yrs old! He will pop in on the last day to say 'Goodbye'. We also have Mrs O'Sullivan leaving us, after 14 years at SWOY. She has been a valued member of our school community and we will miss her! Miss Jackson will leave us to take up her first full time teaching post. Lastly, Mrs Jones will be leaving us to look after her children, we will keep in touch and I am pretty sure that she will be back to cover on an ad hoc basis. She has brought joy in her teaching with her smile, laughter and musical talent!

Best Wishes

Sharon Lynch (Headteacher)

Teachers and Staff for next year!

Nursery	Mrs Stapleton	Mrs Parker & Mrs Roberts
Reception	Miss Dempsey	Mr Morris
Year 1	Ms Meara	Mrs Macdonald
Year 2	Miss Ogston	Miss Cole
Year 3	Miss Webster	Miss Nguyen
Year 4	Mr Taylor	Mrs Webster
Year 5	Miss Richards	Miss Murphy
Year 6	Ms Thorn	Mrs Manning

Miss Langston and Ms Rolt will provide cover for teachers whilst they have their Planning and Preparation time. Miss Richards has successfully completed her School Direct Teacher Training. Mr Mayers will complete his School Direct Teacher Training next year. Miss Lawlor will provide additional support in the Nursery. Mr Kane & Miss Holme will provide support for lunchtimes in the Nursery and Mrs Shanahan will continue to enrich our lives with music and song!

Of course, Mrs Casey and Mrs Jackson will continue to provide all of the admin and finance support in the school office. We are grateful to have such a fantastic team, and we are looking forward to a 'normal' and uninterrupted year ahead!

End of Term Arrangements

Monday 19th July

Circus Skills Workshops
(whole school)

Yr 6 Leavers' Disco (pupils only)

5.30 - 7.30pm

Tuesday 20th July

Meet the Next Teacher!

Wednesday 21st July

Yr 6 Leavers' Mass (Pupils' only)

Term ends for everyone at 2pm

Sending Mr Morris and his fiance, Gemma, our love!

Mr Morris and his fiance, Gemma, were due to be married today, but due to Covid restrictions have had to postpone the Big Day! We send them both all of our love and hope they are able to enjoy a weekend of fun and laughter!



COVID ARRANGEMENTS AT SWOY **FROM MONDAY 19th JULY**

Although the government has decided that we are able to move to Step 4 of the road map, and reduce some of the Covid restrictions, schools in Lewisham have been advised to continue with all of our arrangements up to the end of the school term. Fortunately for us, that is only up to Wednesday! We expect all parents and carers to comply and support us with the arrangements that we have in place:

- Face coverings to be worn by ALL adults as they approach school and come into the playground.
- Please maintain a social distance from other adults and children in other bubbles/year groups
- Bubbles will remain in place. Staff and children will not mix bubbles.
- Handwashing and sanitising regimes will continue.
- One way system and one way out through the lower playground gate will continue.

We plan to continue the arrangements for arriving and leaving school at the beginning of September, until we know more about the rates of infection locally, and nationally.

However, we will no longer stagger the start and end of the day, and aim to get all children into school by 9am, and finishing at 3.15pm. We will still ask parents to queue into the playground and to keep the line moving!

- Gates open at 8.40am
- Sanitising and welcoming starts at 8.45am
- All children to be in school by 9am.
- Registration 9am
- Gates open at 3pm =- parents to wait in a queue
- End of day 3.15pm - all children to be collected.

Contact Tracing after 19th July

The school will still be expected to support Public Health with Contact Tracing after 19th July, and for 6 days after the school term has ended. So, please do continue to monitor your child for symptoms, book a PCR test and contact Mrs Lynch, if you have a positive PCR result for your child. We will then need to contact all of the class, and adults involved, to tell them to self isolate.

Phone: **07934 273144 (SWOY Mobile)**
Or email: headteacher@swoy.lewisham.sch.uk

The requirement for children and pupils under 18yrs old, and fully vaccinated adults, will cease on 16th August 2021.


Changes to Covid advice! RING THE SCHOOL MOBILE 07934 273144 if your child has symptoms or tests positive for Covid.

If someone tests positive on a Lateral Flow Test, they **MUST** immediately book a PCR test at a Test Centre.

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

The close contacts (inc. household and family) of that person **MUST ALSO GET A PCR TEST AND SELF ISOLATE** until we have the outcome of the PCR test. If the outcome is negative, they can end self isolation, if it is positive, **ALL** contacts must isolate for 10 days.

Symptoms

If any one in your household begins to show any of these symptoms, you will need to book a PCR test  ly.

A new continuous cough

A high temperature or fever (37.8 or above)

A loss or change in normal sense of smell or taste



A wider set of symptoms includes, in addition to the above, loss of appetite, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, extreme tiredness, headaches, joint pain, muscle ache, runny nose, sore throat, and sneezing. Tests should be requested for any of three main symptoms accompanied by any of the wider set of symptoms.

LFD tests detect proteins in the coronavirus and work in a similar way to a pregnancy test. They are simple and quick to use and are an indication of how infectious a person is. LFD tests are not as accurate as PCR tests and are mainly used in people who do **NOT** have symptoms of COVID-19. **Currently, confirmatory PCR tests are required within 48 hours after a positive at home LFD test.**

If a person has symptoms - Book a PCR test!

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Follow the stay at home guidance and **get tested and the whole household MUST self-isolate for 10 days.** Testing **MUST** happen within the first 8 days of symptoms starting.

Year 6 Leavers' Production

Wow! What a Year!

Where to start?

Home-schooling, empty supermarket shelves, social-distancing, bubbles, tiers, facemasks, not being able to hug our grandparents...these have been extraordinary and challenging times! But through it all, heroes have emerged and with a strength of spirit, hope in our hearts and a sense of humour, we are coming out the other side. So, what better way to commemorate our place in history than with a bloomin' good sing-song!



Follow the link;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1bDvIHhYzs&list=PLeQgCSz6mHpe3TN7b4sxUqgH_wJgUEnP&index=1

We are very grateful to the Year 6 team; Ms Thorn, Mrs Manning, Mr Mayers and of course, Mrs Shanahan!

Mr Mayers has been awarded an Oscar by the class, for The Best Production Editor 2021!

Watch the videos of each class performance celebrating the music, dance and performance of countries around the world!

Nursery	https://youtu.be/8smZ4Rm6iTg
Reception	https://youtu.be/eyIGSANXATw
Year 1	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZBO6Ne1gfS8
Year 2	https://youtu.be/W-nNjRKmW0o
Year 3	https://youtu.be/cM9cOJ3JJAU
Year 4	https://youtu.be/LhsMr1SzzF4
Year 5	https://youtu.be/xG_wNT01vIE
Year 6	https://youtu.be/HrIkackK9T-8

All the videos can be found on our school website in the 'Children' and each class section!

Circus Skills and Non Uniform Day!



Monday 19th July 2021
Crazy costumes, Circus Costumes,
Wear something that makes you happy!



Bring £1 or a donation for the Parish Crisis Fund.

Thank you!



Rainbow After School Club

After school activity clubs

September 2021

Rainbow will be offering after school activities at the club. These clubs will be exclusively for children at SWOY.

- Children will be collected from school and walked back to the club by our staff.
- The activity clubs run from 3.30 – 4.30.
- There will be limited places per club on a first booked basis.
- Clubs are £5 per child.
- Clubs are booked and paid for per half term. (No refunds for unattended sessions)
- Please see the activity timetable for clubs being offered.
- Clubs can be booked by emailing rainbow.asc@hotmail.co.uk

Rockbourne Youth Club
41a, Rockbourne Road,

Mobile: 07854 774096
rainbow.asc@hotmail.co.uk

Activity Timetable £5 per child 3.15 - 4.30pm
Starting w/c 13th September 2021
Email rainbow.asc@hotmail.co.uk to book!

Monday	KS1 Art	KS2 Art	KS2 Multisports
Tuesday	KS2 Kids' Cook	KS1 Games	KS1 Multisports
Wednesday	KS1 Kids' Cook	KS2 Fitness	KS2 Hobbycraft
Thursday	KS1 Hobbycraft	KS2 Football	

If you need a referral to the foodbank over the holiday, please text Mrs Lynch on the school mobile:07934 273144



Parish Crisis Fund

Please do not be afraid to ask if you need some financial help or support. Text or email Mrs Lynch, or speak to Fr Habte. All conversations will be treated in confidence.



VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

*Do you drive a car or van?
Are you available any of the following mornings
to deliver food parcels from our
main warehouse in Forest Hill to:*

- Lewisham or Deptford Salvation Army (Mondays)
- St John the Baptist Downham (Tuesdays)
- Client deliveries (Wednesdays)
- Catford Salvation Army or Perry Rise Baptist Church (Thursdays)

If you can help email
volunteers@lewisham.foodbank.org.uk

thank you!



www.lewisham.foodbank.org.uk

HELP AND ADVICE FROM LEWISHAM LOCAL

Community Connections Lewisham
(0330 058 3464 Mon-Friday 9.30am-4pm)
provide signposting to local services & support including
practical assistance, food shopping slots online.



CLICK ON THE LINK FOR MORE INFORMATION

[Lewisham Community Meals and Foodbank provision during Covid-19 | Lewisham Local](#)

Help us to help your child!

APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS!



Is your child in Yr 2?

You will have to pay for lunches from September!

PLEASE APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Have your circumstances changed?

Check to see if you are eligible for Free School Meals / Pupil Premium at
www.fsm.lgfl.net

Then apply online:

<https://lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/education/student-pupil-support/free-school-meals-and-extra-support-for-your-child>

Help us to help your children!

Please then let Mrs Casey know if you are eligible
(admin@swoy.lewisham.sch.uk)

PLEASE APPLY NOW!

Acorn Breakfast & After School Club

Ackroyd Community Centre,
Ackroyd Road, SE23 1DL

Breakfast Club from 7.30am

After School Club

Pick up from SWOY until 6pm.

Range of activities and a hot meal.

www.acornclub.co.uk

Email: acornasc@gmail.com

Rainbow After School Club

www.facebook.com/rainbowafterschoolclub.com

Reception to Yr 6

After School Club

Pick up from SWOY and walk to Rockbourne Youth Club,
Rockbourne Road SE23 2DA

End of school til 6pm

Fully registered. Established since 1991

Phone 07854 774096 for more information.

JOIN OUR PARISH CHURCH FOR MASS

Saturday 6pm Mass <https://saturday-mass6pm.eventbrite.co.uk>

9.15am Mass <https://sunday-mass915.eventbrite.co.uk>

Sunday 11.30am Mass <https://sunday-mass1130.eventbrite.co.uk>

The Booking system will close on Friday at midnight.

Children's Liturgy

Sunday at 11am

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/85641863873?pwd=MDJhVngwd3g4OE56SFhtOXQ1cjFyQT09>

Meeting ID: 856 4186 3873

Passcode: MTH0b6

Please note that an adult MUST be present in the room whilst your child joins the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

All who wish their children to be baptised at St. William of York, please contact the parish office or Father Habte to complete the Baptism form.

All parents who want their child baptised need to attend a Baptism preparation class.

Email: foresthill@rcaos.org.uk for more information



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please pray for the children in our parish and school Community who were unable to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation last weekend. It will be rearranged soon.

They will then continue on the Journey in Faith to prepare for their First Eucharist very soon.



MHST Wellbeing Support Line - OPEN during the holidays!

Telephone support service where you will be able to speak to a practitioner for wellbeing advice, support and resources for your child. (This is not for any urgent mental health concerns).

You email us: lewishammhst@slam.nhs.uk

Please tell us:

- The school your child (ren) attends
- A contact phone number
- What you would like advice or support with (for your child)



We will call you back!