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Dear Parents,

A drier week, weather wise and becoming milder too, let us hope Spring is not too far around the corner. Please make sure all coats are named. On Friday children were taking them off outside and returning coats is made more difficult when they are not named.

Rags to Riches

The Rags to Riches collection is on Wednesday 14th February. All the details were on the leaflet previously shared.

KS2 Mixed Hockey Competition

On Thursday afternoon Mrs Brown, Mrs Hames and Mrs Watts took two teams to a Cluster Sport Event at St Nicholas. This time it was hockey. One of our teams came third and the other lost the final match by one point to come second. However, as the winning team from another school was all boys, our mixed team have gone through to the next round.

Calpol

Thank you so much to all the families who have bought bottles of Calpol to donate to school. With all the winter bugs around at the moment our stocks were running low. We now have enough so no need to send anymore in.

Calling all Scientists.....

Our Science Week in School is week commencing 18/3/2024 and our theme this year is 'Journeys'. Are you a parent scientist who would be willing to come in and talk to our younger children about your Science journey? If so, please email <u>admin@st-wilfrids.cheshire.sch.uk</u> and we will pass your details to Mrs Hughes, our Science Coordinator. It might be that you have a family member or friend who could spare some time that week to visit school and talk with the children about science. If so, please get in touch.

First Holy Communion

Last Sunday our Holy Communion children joined the Parish at St Wilfrid's Church for 9:15am Mass and their enrolment into our Holy Communion programme. It was a wonderful service and Mrs Hames, Mrs Harkness and I were delighted to see lots of our families there. At the 9:15am Mass each Sunday there is a Children's Liturgy and the children spend the first part of the Mass in the Parish Centre looking at the week's themes. They then come back and join their families. Fr Paul would be delighted to see more of our children there each week. We felt such an atmosphere of welcome.

On Monday, after school our First Holy Communion children had their first preparation session. Thank you to Mrs Cannavan and Mrs Bold for all their hard work preparing and delivering these sessions. Thank you to Fr Paul for coming into school on Wednesday afternoon to speak to Year 3 about the Sacrament of Reconciliation which they are currently studying in their RE lessons.

Parking

Here I go again.....

The rules are there to keep everyone safe, the campus is a very busy place, particularly at the start and end of the day.

At collection time, please park off site or pay to park on St Nicholas playground through the blue gates, manned by our staff. Only parents who have a child currently attending St Nicholas can use their car parks, accessed up the ramp.

Parking at the front of school is for Pre School parents only and they must be off site before 3pm.

If the disabled parking bays are full, blue badge holders may park at the front of school too. <u>The blue</u> <u>badge holder must be in the car</u>. Anyone parking here MUST display a current blue badge. There are a few parents who park there routinely without having a blue badge and then join the queue in the middle much to the annoyance of other parents.

Do not park on the hashed circle at the front of school. Walking children to cars parked here is very dangerous as cars and taxis navigate round you.

Being late is not an excuse to park at the front of school.

In the morning, please stay in the queue in front of school rather than exit it if the car in front is not ready to move when you are. There are children getting out of cars on the road side and those exiting the queue are putting them in danger just to save a few seconds.

Please be considerate to school staff and other parents by parking responsibly. Thank you.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week and our Mental Health Lead, Mrs Jackson has been organising activities and sessions with staff to share with their class.

Online Safety

The monthly newsletter we purchase was shared earlier this week by email. It is packed with useful advice around devices, settings, gaming and social media. A worthwhile read.

Measles and MMR Call to Action

Please see the advice that was shared earlier today. Public Health have asked all education settings to share the information with parents and carers.

God Bless,

Justine McEniff, Headteacher

