



Friday 9th June 2023

Our vision is 'Let your light shine'. The rainbow symbolises God's unconditional love for each individual. We seek to reflect that light in all we do: in our community, both local and wider, in our communication, both word and action, with curiosity and courage, and with care and compassion for everyone, inspiring a love of learning.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all managed to enjoy the half-term break and made the most of some family time together - even if the sun wasn't always shining! We have had a busy start to our final term of the academic year and the children have, as always, returned with energy and enthusiasm. The focus value this term is 'love to learn' and there has been a buzz of excitement as the children engage in their learning opportunities across the school.

This morning the whole-school enjoyed coming together for Collective Worship at St Laurence Church. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect and worship in the local church, further strengthening our community links. Reception and Key Stage One children performed songs and Year Six wrote and read some prayers.

We continue to enhance and develop the school facilities for the benefit of the children. Following the refurbishment of the toilets in Early Years/KS1, new flooring has been laid in Reception. I am sure you will agree from the photograph, that it is a wonderful improvement and has enhanced the learning environment for the children. The children and staff were very excited when they saw it on Tuesday morning and were keen to thank Mr Lawrence, our site Manager, who managed the project during the half-term break.



It was wonderful to see so many parents and grandparents at the Reception children's 'Arts and Crafts Stay and Play' session on Wednesday afternoon. The adults joined in with the children, demonstrating imagination and creativity using a range of tools and resources and the children enjoyed learning alongside their family members in the school setting.

We are delighted to launch our new school website. The website has a fresh new look with improved navigation which allows you to find the information you need more quickly and easily. We have reviewed and updated all our information so that you can be confident that everything you are reading is as current as possible. There are some pages that are still in the process of being updated and information about this will follow in due course. Please enjoy exploring the new website using the following link: <https://www.winslowschool.co.uk/> . If you feel there is anything we can add to improve the website further, please do let us know.

Thank you for your continued support – have a lovely weekend!

Samantha Dimpleby
Headteacher

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

Sun cream and sun hats



As much as many of us enjoy the summer months, we must take action to keep ourselves and our children safe. It is important that all children have sun hats in school every day and wear sun cream. Long wearing sun cream should be applied before the children arrive at school. Please also provide your child with a water bottle every day – this is extremely important to ensure the children stay hydrated throughout the day. Thank you for your support with this.

Year 5 Parents – Secondary Transfer Information

Following the information session for parents this week, please find a link to the Secondary Transfer Presentation for September 2024 entry by clicking [here](#). Further information about secondary transfer and secondary school open days can also be found on our school website.

If you require any support with your application, please contact us via the school office.

I would like to remind you that special access arrangements for the 11+ need to be requested in writing to the Headteacher by **Friday 16th June** so that the correct forms can be completed and sent to County by the cut-off date of Friday **23rd June**.

Child of the Week

All our children seek to ‘Let their light shine’ as they reflect our Christian values in their daily life. Many congratulations to the following children this week who have shone particularly brightly and been awarded ‘Child of the Week’:

Year 1: Harry & Emily

Year 2: Rosaleigh & Stanley

Year 3: Brianna & Ben

Year 4: Henry & Aedan

Year 5: Baeleigh & Lottie

Year 6: Daisy & Lily

Accelerated Readers

The following classes have been awarded the Reading Trophies this week for completing the most Accelerated Reader Quizzes:

2AF
3CC
4KF
5DB
6FG



Sensory Garden Volunteers



We are still looking for some volunteers to help with our sensory garden, a beautiful quiet area within our school buildings which can be used for outside lessons, reading and calming; there is even a wildlife pond with tadpoles which are closely monitored by the children. It is looking tired and needs some maintenance and tender loving care.

Last year we were lucky enough to receive a donation from the Winslow Show Committee so we have funds in place to help improve the area but what we need are some willing volunteers to help out.

If you can spare some time to help smarten up our garden to help keep it a relaxing space for all our children then we would love to hear from you.

FOWS

Summer Fair Saturday 24th June 11:00am - 2:00pm

FOWS are busily preparing for the summer fair and would like to remind you that **Friday 23rd June is Mufti day**. On this day your child/children can come dressed in their own clothes. In return we ask for:

- Rainbows and Reception - Cakes
- Year 1-3- Fill a jar with wrapped sweets (no chocolate as it will melt) for the sweet Jar Tombola
- Year 4-6 -Bring a bottle of wine or soft drinks



Raffle tickets have been distributed before half term. Please return these along with any unsold tickets by **Friday 23rd June** in the envelope provided.

Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimpleby, Mrs Tracy Thomas or Mrs Katie Epps via the School Office on 01296 712296 or alternatively if out of school hours, weekends or holidays visit <http://www.bucks-lsrb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/> to report your concerns. For more safeguarding information please visit our website.



What can we do even better as a school?

If you have any comments or suggestions, please do get in contact with Mrs Dimbleby via the school office, or better still, come and chat to her at the start or the end of the day on the playground.



Diary Dates Summer Term 2023

Please see below our summer calendar of events for your immediate attention.

Date	Event
wc Monday 5 th June – Friday 16 th June	Y4 Multiplication Checks
wc Monday 12 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check
Friday 16 th June	Y4 Roman Day
Friday 16 th June	Pupil Fundraising Day
Monday 19 th June	Y3 Milton Keynes Museum Trip (3CC)
Tuesday 20 th June	Reception Hogshaw Farm Trip
Wednesday 21 st June (Time TBC)	Reception and KS1 Country Dancing
Thursday 22 nd June	Y3 Milton Keynes Trip (3BB)
Friday 23 rd June	FOWS Mufti Day
Saturday 24 th June	FOWS Summer Fair
Wednesday 28 th June	Reception & KS1 Collective Worship at St Laurence Church
Wednesday 28 th June 5:30pm	EYFS New Parent Meeting
Tuesday 4 th July (Time TBC)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 1, 3 and 5
Wednesday 5 th July (Time TBC)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 2, 4 and 6
Tuesday 4 th July	Whole School Transition Day
Tuesday 4 th and Wednesday 5 th July	Y6 Buckinghamshire Transition Days
Friday 7 th July	End of year Reports to Parents
Monday 10 th July	EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (am)
Monday 10 th July	Guitar Music Performance
Monday 10 th July 9:00am	Y6 Production (Evening performance)
Tuesday 11 th July	Y6 Production (Afternoon performance)
Tuesday 11 th July	FOWS Disco – Y1 & Y2 (4:30-5:30pm) Y5 & Y6 (5:45-6:45pm)
Wednesday 12 th July	KS2 Sports Day – Y3 & Y4 (am), Y5 & Y6 (pm)
Thursday 13 th July	FOWS Disco – Rec (4:30-5:30pm) Y3 & Y4 (5:45-6:45pm)
Wednesday 19 th July (9:30am)	Y6 Leaver's Service at St Laurence Church
Tuesday 18 th July	Y5 Victorian Day
Friday 21 st July	Last Day of Term
SUMMER HOLIDAY Children return on Tuesday 5 th September 2023	