

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,

As we journey towards Christmas, the children have been thinking about the period of Advent

and its meaning. The Advent season is an important time for celebration and anticipation and a time for faith communities and families to remember and reflect. In Collective Worship the children have been learning about how Advent for Christians is a time to remember Jesus coming into the world to bring about peace, fairness and justice. As part of our reflections we have thought about how we can all bring about peace, fairness and justice in our own lives and the lives of others.



Thank you to everyone who supported the FOWS Christmas Fayre at the weekend where an amazing total of £2,577.62 was raised. The staff and pupils would like to say an enormous thank you to everyone who was involved in making this event such a big success. Thank you also to everyone who has donated to our nominated charities recently. The school raised £338.04 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and a total of £590.25 (including Gift Aid) for Children in Need.

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December we will be supporting the Save the Children Charity with "Wear a Christmas Jumper Day." Pupils should come to school in their usual school uniform but instead of their navy blue sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans they may wear a Christmas or brightly coloured jumper.

This is a voluntary activity but if your child would like to take part, we are asking for a suggested donation of £2 but any donation to the Save the Children Charity, will be greatly appreciated. This year the government are match funding every donation made. So, if you donate £2 then £4 will actually go to Save the Children!

For this event we have set up a Just Giving page to collect donations for Save the Children. Please click <u>here</u> to make a donation.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a peaceful and relaxing weekend!

# Samantha Dímbleby

Headteacher

#### 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: Noah & Bodhi

Year 2: Royal & Sebastian

Year 3: Evie & Lilv

Year 4: Sybil & Victoria

Year 5: Khen & Soffee

Year 6: Grace & Mia

#### **Accelerated Readers**

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

2AF

3CC

4SW

5EA

6FH

#### Uniform

Our uniform is a key part to making sure we look smart and feel like we belong to our school community and I would like to thank all our parents who make sure their children arrive at school in the correct school uniform every day.

Please remember that footwear with uniform should be black or brown practical school shoes. Trainers or fashion boots are not permitted as an alternative to school shoes. PE uniform is a plain white or navy blue t-shirt with blue or white plain shorts and a navy tracksuit for outdoor PE sessions. Thank you for your continued support with this.

# Rainbows Pre-School and Starting School in September 2023

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 you can now apply for a school place at <u>Buckinghamshire School Admissions</u>. If you would like a place for child in Reception in September 2023, you must apply for a place, even if your child is at currently attending Rainbows Pre-school.

The application deadline is 15th January 2023, please do not miss it.

# **Safeguarding**

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimbleby, 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 <a href="http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/">http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/</a> to report your concerns. For more safeguarding information please visit our website.

### **Family Support Service**

The Family Support Service offers support to children, young people and families with children and young people aged 0 to 19 or up to 25 years with a special educational need or disability (SEND).

If your family is experiencing multiple or complex issues that you need support with, the Family Support Service may be able to offer help from a Family Worker who would work directly with you in your home. You can request support online, by <a href="mailto:email">email</a>, or phone: 01296 383 293 between Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.



# **Diary Dates**

Date	Event
wc 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Book Week
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and	EYFS Christmas Performance
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (pm) and	KS1 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December (am)	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	FOWS Bags2school
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch Day
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December (pm) and	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (am)	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December (6:00pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	EYFS Stay and Play for Reception Parents – Crafts
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December (2:30pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Musical performance at Swan House Care Home
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am – 10:30am &	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours
1:00pm – 2:00pm)	(New Starters Sept 2023)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School for pupils
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December (Time TBC)	Carols on the playground
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET DAY
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET DAY
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Children return on Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	