

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,

With Christmas fast approaching the rehearsals for our Christmas performances are now fully underway. It is wonderful to hear the children's singing echoing around the school as they rehearse and we are looking forward to welcoming you to the performances in a couple of weeks. Communication about the dates and times of these events have now been sent out via Parent Mail and we thank you for your support to make these events the special occasions the always are.

This week Year Six visited Holdenby House as part of an experience day linked to their learning about life in World War II. The children spent the day dressed as Evacuees and were received at Holdenby Evacuee Centre by the staff where they were shown how to be good evacuees. They helped to prepare a range of seasonal wartime foods and learned about the weekly ration before helping to make rag rugs and knitting for 'make do and mend'. Just as the children were preparing to be sent to their host families, the coach arrived to bring them safely back to school - much to their relief! It was a thoroughly enjoyable day that brought their learning in the classroom to life through hands on experiences.



Thank you for all your generous donations for the FOWS Christmas Fayre Tombola Mufti-Day today. We are looking forward to seeing you all at the fayre tomorrow which is in our school hall.

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: Kayden & Hollie Year 2: Taylor & Mason Year 3: Seth & Mikey Year 4: Teddy & Jack Year 5: Emily & Fearne Year 6: Daisy & Lexton



Christmas Lunch

If you would like your child to have a school Christmas lunch on Thursday 8th December please ensure that you order this before midday on Thursday 1st December. Please click <u>here</u> to order your child's meal with Fresh Start Catering. If you have forgotten your log on details and would like to order a meal, please contact Mrs Freshwater in the school office.

Accelerated Readers

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

2AF

3CC

4KF

5EA

6FD & 6FH



Attendance Matters

At Winslow CE School we place great importance on good attendance and punctuality. We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Those children who are regularly absent from school and regularly late do not achieve their potential and do fall behind in class.

Good school attendance enables children to feel confident and happy about the school work and activities that they participate in. Evidence also shows that those who attend school every day make better progress and achieve more than those who miss time at school.

Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time.

Reporting an absence

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school office via Parent Mail, the telephone absence line or the office email address before 9.00am. Please give full details of your child's illness/symptoms. If we do not hear from you, we will call or email you to find out why your child is not in school. If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.





Christmas Cards

Children will be able to bring Christmas cards into school from Thursday 1st December for posting in the school post box. Please ensure that envelopes are clearly addressed with the full name if possible as well as the class and/or year group they are in. The last day of Christmas card posting will be Wednesday 14th December 2022.

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 http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/ to report your concerns. For more safeguarding information please visit our website.

Please see the information below from The Christian Fellowship about a Walking Nativity Trail on Saturday 17th December 2022.



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Saturday 26 th November	FOWS Christmas Fete
Thursday 1st December (9:30am – 10:30am &	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours
1:00pm – 2:00pm)	(New Starters Sept 2023)
wc 5 th December	Christmas Book Week
Monday 5 th December (2:00pm) and	EYFS Christmas Performance
Tuesday 6 th December (9:30am)	
Tuesday 6 th December (pm) and	KS1 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 7 th December (am)	
Wednesday 7 th December	FOWS Bags2school
Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
Thursday 8 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Monday 12 th December (pm) and	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 13 th December (am)	
Monday 12 th December (6:00pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church
Tuesday 13 th December (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	EYFS Stay and Play for Reception Parents – Crafts
Wednesday 14 th December (2:30pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert
Wednesday 14 th December	Musical performance at Swan House Care Home
Thursday 15 th December (9:30am – 10:30am &	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours
1:00pm – 2:00pm)	(New Starters Sept 2023)
Friday 16 th December	Last Day of School for pupils
Friday 16 th December (Time TBC)	Carols on the playground
Monday 19 th December	INSET DAY
Tuesday 20 th December	INSET DAY
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	
Children return on Wednesday 4 th January 2023	