



Friday 22nd September 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,

We have definitely seen a change in the weather this week and the early signs of seasonal change a reminder that autumn is here. It is becoming colder and wetter, so please can we ask you to ensure your child is wearing a warm and waterproof coat to school. We always aim for pupils to be outside as much as possible during break times and lunch times enjoying the fresh air.



At Winslow CE School the National Curriculum forms the basis for our programmes of study, however we have designed our curriculum carefully to ensure that that is built on an in-depth knowledge and understanding of our children. Therefore, our curriculum is enriched by a range of visits and experiences, which our skilled teaching staff plan in, to ensure that children can identify and apply curriculum links and concepts.

This week your child should have received a paper copy of our annual consent form for educational visits during the academic year 2023/2024. By completing this form, you are consenting to your child leaving the school premises to take part in visits and sporting activities. Our annual consent form will now be used to cover all school day trips and also visits within Winslow, so it is vital that this form is completed for each pupil. Additional consent will be sought for residential visits and adventurous activities and a separate consent form will be sent home for you to complete for your child for these.

Please complete and return the paper copy of the annual consent form by **Thursday 19th October**. Your child cannot attend trips or visits without this form being completed and returned.

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

Mrs Samantha Dumbleby

Headteacher

Parents' Evenings

We will be holding face-to-face meetings with your child's class teacher this term. These meetings will take place on Monday 16th October and Wednesday 18th October and will provide an opportunity for you to discuss how your child/children have settled into their new classes and ways you can support their progress at home. Details for booking appointments will be sent out via ParentMail next week.

Open Mornings

This term we will be holding **Open Mornings for prospective parents** to view our school during the busy hustle and bustle of the school day on **Thursday 5th October, Friday 13th October, Thursday 9th November and Thursday 16th November**. The Open Mornings will include a presentation from the Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher and a tour of the school site with some of our older children. All sessions will start at **9.30am** and last around an hour. To find out more, or to confirm your attendance, please contact the school office.

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Attendance

Well done to 3AP who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 99.17%.

We understand and appreciate that children can become ill and that it is not always easy to decide whether to send them into school or keep them at home. To help you with this decision, we have devised a useful reference guide. If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school office before 9.00am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. If we do not hear from you, we will ring you to find out why your child is not in school.

Red – Stay at home	Sickness and Diarrhoea 48 hours must have elapsed before a child can return to school from the last episode.
Amber – Seek Advice	Headache, feeling sick, tummy ache Children often feel unwell if they are anxious, so if in doubt contact the school for advice.
Green – Come to School	Mild cough, cold, sore throat, feeling tired We will always contact you if your child is ill during the school day

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: Katie & Albie
Year 2: Amia & Jacob
Year 3: Callie & Royal
Year 4: Theo & Nathan
Year 5: Sybil & Oliver
Year 6: Ocean-Blu & Lily



FOWS






Thank you to those parents who attended our FOWS open meeting on Wednesday. We already have a busy calendar of events planned and are looking forward to sharing the details of these with you shortly. The FOWS AGM will be held on Tuesday 17th October @7pm.

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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.

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Mrs Tracy Thomas Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Mrs Katie Epps Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Child Protection Governor Mr David Shaw	

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

Please find below our autumn term calendar of events for your immediate attention. This will be published on our school website and updated as appropriate over the coming weeks.

Date	Event
Tuesday 26 th September (8:40am – 9:40am)	KS1 Stay and Read for Y1 and Y2 Parents
Tuesday 26 th September	European Day of Languages
wc 2 nd October	Harvest (Pupils only; collection and distribution of non-perishables to local elderly neighbours and the Winslow Food Bank)
Tuesday 3 rd October (8:40am – 9:40am)	EYFS Stay and Read for Reception Parents
Thursday 5 th October (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2024)
Monday 9 th October – Friday 13 th October	Year 6 Residential Trip - PGL Liddington
Monday 16 th October (3:30pm – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 18 th October (4:30pm – 7:00pm)	Parents' Evenings
Friday 13 th October (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2024)
Friday 13 th October	Y6 Secondary Transfer Test Results Released
Wednesday 18 th October	Whole School Flu Immunisations
Thursday 19 th October	FOWS Break the Rules Day
Thursday 19 th October	Last day of term for pupils
Friday 20 th October	INSET Day
HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October)	
Monday 30 th October	Children return to school
Tuesday 31 st October	Y6 Secondary Application Deadline
Thursday 2 nd November	Outdoor Learning Day
Wednesday 8 th November	Whole School Photographs
Thursday 9 th November (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2024)
Friday 10 th November	Remembrance Service (Year 6 Parents)
Sunday 12 th November	Remembrance in Winslow
Tuesday 14 th November (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm)	FOWS Disco Year 1 and Year 2 Year 5 and 6 Disco
Thursday 16 th November (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm)	FOWS Reception Disco Year 3 and 4 Disco
wc 13 th November	Anti-bullying Week/Odd Socks Day (Date TBC)
Thursday 16 th November (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2024)
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Thursday 23 rd November	SENDCo Drop in Clinic
Friday 24 th November	FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day
Saturday 25 th November(11:00am – 2:00pm)	FOWS Christmas Fete
wc 4 th December	Christmas Book Week
Monday 4 th December	FOWS Pantomime
Tuesday 5 th December (2:00pm) and	KS1 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 6 th December (9:30am)	
Wednesday 6 th December (2:00pm) and Friday 8 th December (9:30am)	EYFS Christmas Performance
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Lunch Day
Monday 11 th December (6pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church
Tuesday 12 th December (pm) and Wednesday 13 th December (am)	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 13 th December (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	EYFS Stay and Play for Reception Parents – Crafts
Wednesday 13 th December (pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert
Tuesday 19 th December (2:30 – 3:15pm)	Carols on the Playground
Tuesday 19 th December	Last Day of School for pupils
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Children return on Thursday 4 th January 2023	

This Term's Value is:

Respect

“Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Luke 6:31

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