### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 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 hope you all had a wonderful and restful half-term break, enjoying some family time together. This term promises to be another busy one as we race ahead to the end of the year. Please take a look at the dates for your diary as there are a number of additional events that have been added for specific year groups which might be of interest to you.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding a whole-school Remembrance Service, led by Year Six and Reverend Stephen. Due to restrictions on numbers in our school hall, we are only able to invite the parents/carers of Year Six children to this service however, we will be remembering our fallen on Remembrance Sunday in Winslow on Sunday 12th November. If your child/children would like to be in the parade, please contact the School Office. On the day of the service, children will need to arrive at the Public Hall car park by 10:30am, wearing School Uniform. Our Head Boy and Head Girl will be laying a wreath at the Winslow War Memorial on behalf of the school and it would be lovely to have other children from the school to walk with them in the parade. We look forward to seeing you there.

Poppies and commemorative rulers, wristbands and keyrings from the Royal British Legion will be available in school until Friday 10th November for a small donation. Money for these should be sent into school with your child.

We look forward to another successful term ahead. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

### Headteacher

### Staffing updates

We are pleased to announce that Miss Daisy Allen has been appointed as the new Assistant Headteacher and will join Winslow CE School in January. Miss Allen is currently leading Early Years and Key Stage One at a local Buckinghamshire School. She will bring a wealth of experience and expertise and we are very much looking forward to Miss Allen joining our team.

### **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':

Reception: Louis & Milo Year 1: Denys & Henry Year 2: Emily & Darcie Year 3: Josh & Josiah Year 4: Eleanor & Caleb Year 5: Scarlett & Finley Year 6: Carmen & Fearne



### Attendance

Well done to 5RS and 4KF who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 100%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 96.07%.

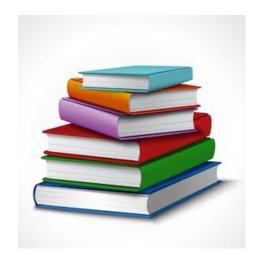
Thank you for your support in helping to improve our school attendance. If you would like any support or advice on attendance or punctuality, please speak to your child's class teacher or the Headteacher.

### **Reading Ambassadors**

We are delighted to announce our new Year 6 Reading Ambassadors.

Congratulations to Amelie, Carmen, Ursula, William, Ramia, Poppy and Fearne who have all demonstrated their love of reading and knowledge of children's literature throughout their time at school.

These avid readers will be helping in the library and promoting a love of reading throughout the school. Please lookout for the next edition of our Reading Newsletter for further details.



### **Accelerated Readers**

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

2WJ
3AP
4SW
5FG
6KEP



### What is Accelerated Reader?

When children have finished the reading schemes, they become 'library readers' and are allowed to borrow two books. At this stage they will start to use 'Accelerated Reader' to help them choose a book. When they have read it they will complete a quiz to check that they have understood it.

Children who use Accelerated Reader (mostly Y2 upwards) can now do their quizzes at home. Please use this link: <u>Accelerated Reader Quiz</u> Children login using their first initial and first four letters of their surname as their username and their library number as their password.

Tips for using Accelerated Reader at home

In addition to books from school, many books you have at home may have quizzes available, just type the title of the book into the quiz search box. Children can also do vocabulary quizzes, and quizzes on the articles available on the Accelerated Reader website.

More information about our library, including how to volunteer can be found on our school website by clicking <u>here.</u>

### **Road Safety**

We are always mindful for the safety of our children near to roads and conscious of how vulnerable they can be. Therefore, we are sending out an important reminder to these dangers as the evenings draw in.

At this time of year, there is reduced visibility for drivers and pedestrians and as a result, your child can become even more vulnerable near to roads. Whilst we want our children to get out and about more and have active healthy lifestyles, we also want them to be seen by drivers especially at night or in poor light conditions.

Please remember with darker evening and the clocks changing to be sure you can be seen. Wearing brightly coloured clothing shows up well in daylight but as it gets dark, reflective clothing and accessories are far more effective in highlighting pedestrians through car headlights or street lamps.



### Teach in Bucks - Recruitment Fair

Are you interested in teaching in Buckinghamshire? Whether you're currently studying or have studied for a teaching-related course, are considering a career change, or are interested in learning more about working in teaching – attend the Teach in Bucks Recruitment Fair.

- Saturday 18th November 2023, 11am 3pm
- Bucks New University (Aylesbury)
- Register for a ticket

here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/726642696867?aff=oddtdtcreator



# Bonfire & FIREWORK DISPLAY Saturday 4th November

In the grounds by kind permission of the

# Winslow C of E School Lowndes Way

Gates open at 6:00 pm

Bonfire Lighting at 6:40 pm Smaller Fireworks at 7:00 pm

Main Fireworks to follow on

Adults £ 5.00

Children (5-15 years of age) £ 2.00

Under 5's Free

Hot Dogs & Drinks will be available

We are unable to accept any materials for the bonfire

### <u>Safety Hetica</u>

For the safety of others, personal fireworks including Chinese lanterns and sparklers will NOT be allowed in the school grounds.

Help us to help local charities!

### **FOWS - Autumn Discos**



Once again FOWS are pleased to be holding our Autumn Discos on the following dates:

### **Tuesday 14th November**

Years 1 & 2: 4.30pm - 5.30pm Years 5 & 6: 5.45pm - 6.45pm

### **Thursday 16th November**

Reception: 4.30pm - 5.30pm Years 3 & 4: 5.45pm - 6.45pm

Entry for the discos is £2 per child. The tuck shop will be available where a variety of snacks including chocolate, sweets, crisps, water and glo-sticks, will be available to purchase. Prices for these range from 30p to £1.00.

Goody bags will be available for RECEPTION children only, at £3 per bag and can be paid for with the entrance money. Bags will be collected on the way into the hall.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### **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.



### 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	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School Photographs	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours	
	(New Starters Sept 2024)	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service (Year 6 Parents)	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance in Winslow	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November (4:30pm – 5:30pm)	FOWS Disco Year 1 and Year 2	
(5:45pm - 6:45pm)	Year 5 and 6 Disco	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception visit to Winslow Library	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November (4:30pm – 5:30pm)	FOWS Reception Disco	
(5:45pm - 6:45pm)	Year 3 and 4 Disco	
wc 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-bullying Week/Odd Socks Day (Date TBC)	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November (9:30am – 11:30am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours	
	(New Starters Sept 2024)	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year One Visit to St Laurence Church	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	SENDCo Drop in Clinic	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> November(11:00am – 2:00pm)	FOWS Christmas Fete	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Victorian Day	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Visit to St Laurence Church	
wc 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Book Week	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	FOWS Pantomine	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and	KS1 Christmas Performance	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)		
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and	EYFS Christmas Performance	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch Day	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December (6pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December (pm) and	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (am)		
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	EYFS Stay and Play for Reception Parents – Crafts	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December (2:30 – 3:15pm)	Carols on the Playground	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of School for pupils	
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Children return on Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023		

This Term's Value is: Respect

"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Luke 6:31

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE