



Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 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,

This week has been another busy one full of exciting learning opportunities. Year Five had a Victorian experience day on Wednesday. They have been reading *Street Child* by Berlie Doherty in their Book Talk lessons and have learnt about living conditions in London for the poor as well as what life was like in the workhouse. They have also been learning about the history of medicine, key people in medicine throughout the Victorian era and the impact they had. The children enjoyed dressing up as Victorian children, military, cooks, nurses and even lords! It was wonderful to see them fully immersed in their learning.



In Collective Worship this week, the children learned about the 'Greener Winslow' project. Our visitor, Andy Amos explained that Greener Winslow is an on-going project to plant and maintain a newly designated copse of young trees at the far end of the allotment field in Winslow. All of the children have been invited to meet on the allotment field at 10:00am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December if they would like to get involved in planting young trees to fill in gaps in the designated area. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please contact [andyc.amos@btinternet.com](mailto:andyc.amos@btinternet.com).

Thank you to everyone who supported the FOWS Christmas Fayre at the weekend where an amazing total of £2,441.00 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.

Next week promises to be another busy and exciting one. We are all looking forward to the Christmas Pantomime 'Jack and the Beanstalk' on Monday which has been generously funded by FOWS.

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** we will be supporting 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 event will also coincide with our Christmas Lunch day in school. 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.

For this event we have set up a Just Giving page to collect donations for Save the Children. Please click [here](#) to make a donation.

On a final note, the weather has turned really cold in the last few days, please make sure that your child is dressed in warm clothes and has a named coat in school for break and lunchtimes.

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

*Mrs Samantha Dumbleby*

**Headteacher**

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## Christmas Cards



Children will be able to bring Christmas cards for each other into school from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> 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 Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

## Rainbows Preschool and Starting School in September 2024

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 you can now apply for a school place at [Buckinghamshire School Admissions](#). If you would like a place for child in Reception in September 2024, you must apply for a place, even if your child is at currently attending Rainbows Pre-school.

The application deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 - please do not miss it.

## Sports News - Basketball Festival

On Tuesday some children from Key Stage Two attended a Basketball festival at Mandeville School. All of the children played incredibly well, scoring some amazing baskets and showing great defensive skills. Well done to Hannah, Abi, Luna, Zaiden, Ted, Hugo, Chester and Aedan. The team represented Winslow School brilliantly, demonstrating great teamwork and determination. Thank you to Mrs Burman for taking the children and to all the parents who transported and supported.

## 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: Harry & Arthur  
Year 1: Seth & Lewis  
Year 2: Felix & Sofia  
Year 3: Poppy & Frankie  
Year 4: Chloe & Jake  
Year 5: Hussein & Pisces  
Year 6: Ursula & Shaun



## Attendance

Well done to 4KF who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 99.17%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 94.36%.

## 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.

## Accelerated Readers

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

2AA
3BB
4SW
5RS & 5FG
6KP



## FOWS






As we draw closer to Christmas and the end of term, we would like to say a massive **'thank you'** to everyone who has supported us this year. We wouldn't be able to run these events without all the support from the teachers, LSAs, Admin Team and of course the parents and carers.

We really do appreciate your continued support and hope the children have enjoyed the events this term. Fundraising really does make a difference to our school community. If you have any feedback, or would like to get involved, please get in touch via: [fowswinslow@gmail.com](mailto:fowswinslow@gmail.com)

The FOWS Team

## 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.

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

## 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
wc 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Book Week
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	FOWS Pantomime
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)	KS1 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December (2:00pm) and Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December (9:30am)	EYFS Christmas Performance
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 Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December (am)	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
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*

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