



Friday 19th January 2024

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,

It has been another exciting week at Winslow CE School and wonderful to see the children enthusiastic about their learning across the school. Enthusiasm for learning is a powerful tool that ignites curiosity and transforms challenges into opportunities. We are always so impressed by our children's eagerness and positive mindset.

Mrs Burman was very proud to attend the Multi-skills event at Waddesdon School with some of our children from Year Four on Wednesday. The children participated in nine different events and demonstrated great skills in teamwork, letting their light shine in all of the events. Thank you to the parents who transported and supported the children and to Mrs Burman for organising the event.

Last Friday Year Four were introduced to their Roman topic with a 'wow day' and it was wonderful to see them fully immersed in their learning. They had an unexpected start to their Roman Day, when Mr Lawrence discovered a Roman helmet buried in the school field! Later that morning, they were joined by a local History enthusiast who shared genuine Iron Age, Roman and Anglo-Saxon artefacts discovered right here in Buckinghamshire. He was full of useful, interesting information and the children were keen to ask and answer questions. The experience has provided a stimulus for writing in English and we look forward to sharing their work with you at Parents' Evening later this term. They all looked amazing in their costumes and we would like to thank you for your support as without this events like this would not be possible.



You should have received letters about our spring term school clubs via ParentMail this week. These will start the week beginning **Monday 22nd January** and will finish the week beginning **Monday 11th March**. Clubs will start at 3.15pm and finish at 4.15pm. **No clubs will run the week commencing 19th February due to Parents' Evenings.**

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers from Reception, Year One and Year Two on Tuesday 23rd January for our Reading Information Morning. This will take place at 9:00am in the school hall and will be an opportunity for you to find out how we teach early reading and how you can support your child at home. We look forward to seeing you there.

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

Mrs Samantha Dumbleby

Headteacher

Child of the Week

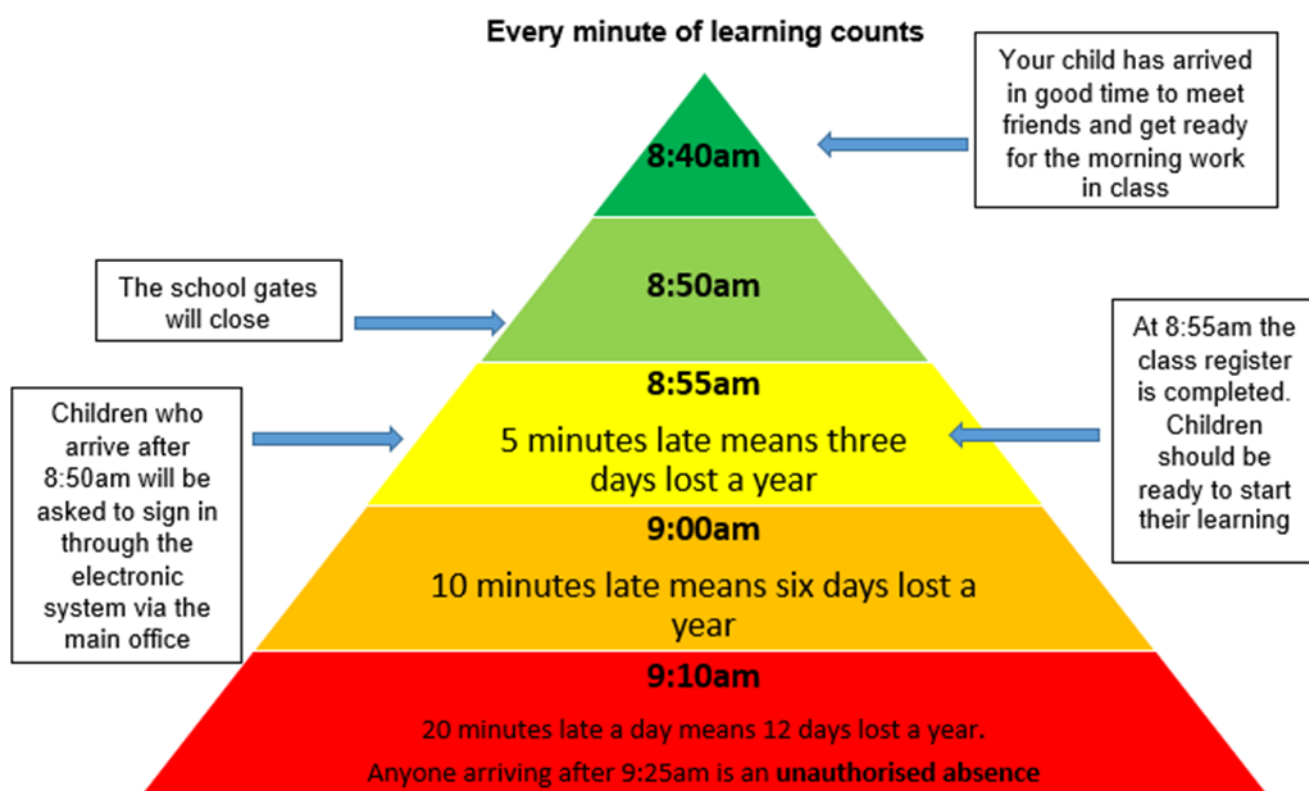
All our children seek to 'Let their light shine' as they reflect our Christian values in their daily life. Many congratulations to the following children this week who have shone particularly brightly and been awarded 'Child of the Week':

Reception: Harry & Hannah
Year 1: Georgie & Lewis
Year 2: Keegan & Henry
Year 3: Connie & Ella
Year 4: Taylor & Miya
Year 5: Darlington & Violet
Year 6: Emily & Lottie



Attendance

Well done to 4SW who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 98.92%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 94%.

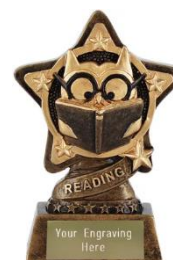


Please work with us to provide your child with the best chances of learning by ensuring they are in school every day and on time.

Accelerated Readers

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

2AA
3AP
4KF
5FG
6CM



Children who use **Accelerated Reader** (mostly Y2 upwards) can now do their quizzes at home. Please use this link: [Accelerated Reader Quiz](#)

Children login using their first initial and first four letters of their surname as their username and their library number as their password.

Chess Club news from Mr McClellan

This term, children who have completed the autumn term “Introduction to Chess” course will be joined by former members of the club and both groups have been entered for the Delancey U.K. Schools Chess Challenge. This competition provides the opportunity for our players to compete against the players from other schools within the region. You will be kept informed about how they get on.

Sometimes parents ask if their son or daughter can join the chess club in the spring or summer term. This is not a good idea, because they will not have benefited from the intensive instruction provided by the “Introduction to Chess” course that takes place in the autumn term. A newcomer who has not had this experience would find it difficult to compete with the other children and to follow the teaching that takes place.

Summer term chess club members are involved in a national competition where games have to be played in complete silence and no help is given. This could be a bit daunting to a child who has not had the benefit of the advice, help and instruction provided during the autumn term.

For children who think they can play chess, or would like to improve their play, there will be another “Introduction to Chess” club in September 2024.

Thank you

FOWS



The next meeting will be on Monday 26th February @8:00pm at the Bell in Winslow.

FOWS are currently not accepting any more donations of second hand uniform as they are holding lots of stock. Available uniform can be found on the school website by clicking [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support

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Jazzercise

Did you know Jazzercise use the school hall 3 times per week? And for 2024, Jazzercise are offering our parents and staff a special offer. For a limited time, you can get two months of Jazzercise for only £59. That's two months of euphoric, shake-your-groove-thing, "wow I FEEL the difference" workouts—no strings attached! But hurry, this offer expires Friday 26th January. Contact the school office for more information.

Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimbleby, Mrs Katie Epps or Miss Allen 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 Katie Epps Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Miss Daisy Allen 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 spring 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	Year Group
wc Monday 3 rd February	Children's Mental Health Week	Whole School
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day	Whole School
Date TBC	Internet Safety Parent Information Evening	Whole School
Tuesday 6 th February (5:00pm-6:00pm)	SATS Information Evening for Parents	Year Six
Wednesday 7 th February (9:00am – 10:00am)	Maths Stay and Play Session	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Thursday 8 th February	FOWS 5p Challenge Launch	Whole School
Thursday 8 th February	Interim Reports to Parents	Reception – Year six
Friday 9 th February	INSET DAY – school closed to children	Whole School
HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February)		
Monday 19 th February	Children return to school	Whole School
Monday 19 th February (3:30pm – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 21 st February (4:30pm – 7:30pm)	Parents' Evening	Reception – Year Six
Tuesday 5 th March (2:00pm)	KS2 Reading Information Session	Year Three – Year Six
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day	Whole School
Friday 8 th March	FOWS Mother's Day Gifts Sale	Whole School
wc 11 th March	Science Week	Whole School
Wednesday 13 th March	Group Photographs	Reception and Year Six
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day – non-uniform fundraising day	Whole School
Tuesday 19 th March – Thursday 21 st March	Woodrow Residential	Year Four
Tuesday 19 th March	Stay and Read Session	Reception, Year One and Year Two
wc 25 th March	Bikeability	Year Three
Tuesday 26 th March	Trip to Science Oxford	Year One and Year Two
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term	Whole School
Easter HOLIDAY Children return on Monday 15 th April 2024		

This Term's Value is:

Honesty

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"

Matthew 5:8

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