



Friday 13th September 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,

Welcome back to a new school year! We are excited to see our school filled once again with the energy, laughter, and curiosity of our children. I would like to say a huge well done to all of the children who have returned after the summer break with an improved sense of maturity and responsibility. Across the school, the children have approached the new term with enthusiasm and determination, which has resulted in a wonderful start to the new school year.

Whether you're returning or joining us for the first time, we extend a warm welcome to all our families. This year promises to be filled with new adventures in learning, opportunities for growth, and a strong sense of community. Our dedicated staff are ready to support each child as they discover new passions and embark upon new challenge



s. Here's to a fantastic year ahead—let's make it the best one yet!

There is lots of information in the newsletter this week and we will continue to ParentMail the weekly newsletter to you every Friday. A list of key dates and events for your calendar are included at the end of this newsletter. Please do let us know if any of your contact details have changed and please check your emails regularly as this is the main way we will be sending out information from school to families.

Well done to the Year Six children who took the Secondary Transfer Tests this week. The children showed great resilience and determination to do their very best and we are so proud of them all. Parents of Year Six pupils who took the Secondary Transfer Test need to register their email address before 17th September 2024 in order to receive the results on the 11th October 2024. Please register using the following link and the individual student ID number that you received via letter last term.

<https://account.buckscc.gov.uk/service/Transfer-Test-results-registration>

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Samantha Dumbleby

Headteacher

Start of term reminders and information

Uniform

I would like to thank all our parents who make sure their children arrive at school in the correct school uniform. We are really proud of our school uniform and expect all children to wear it. Below is a reminder of the expectations for all pupils:

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- Footwear with uniform should be black or brown practical school shoes. Trainers or fashion boots are not permitted as an alternative to school shoes.
- PE uniform is a plain white or navy blue t-shirt with blue or white plain shorts and a navy tracksuit for outdoor PE sessions - no football strips allowed.
- Distinctive hairstyles, including tramlines and coloured, dyed hair are not suitable for school.
- If ears are pierced, only one pair of studs may be worn for safety reasons. These should not be worn on PE days, but if they cannot be removed, they must be covered up with tape.
- Make up, including nail varnish, is not permitted in school.
- Long hair should be tied back. Headbands should be plain and simple, in school colours (navy, grey, white and black)

All clothing, including coats and shoes, should and clearly labelled with your child's name.

Attendance



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.

Please support the school with this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time between 8.40am and 8:50am. Registration is at

8:55am and children arriving after this time should enter the school through the main reception.

To ensure the safety of the children and security of the school site, **the gates at the back of the field (Elmfield and Magpie Way) will be locked promptly at 8:55am.** The only access to the school after this time is through the main gate and reception.

Each week, we will share the class, who has the highest attendance. This week, we want to celebrate 5RS, who have 100%. A huge well done and keep up the excellent work, it has a great impact on learning and progress.

Allergies

We have a number of children, and some staff, with severe nut allergies in the school and we are asking for your co-operation in helping us to reduce the risk which they face every day in school.

The risks are from contact with others who have eaten allergens and not just from the foods themselves. These allergies are potentially life threatening.

Please help us by trying to avoid nuts in your child's packed lunch. For example: peanut butter sandwiches, chocolate spread sandwiches which contain nuts (e.g. nutella) and snack bars with nuts. Thank you for your support with this.

Parking

As we start the term I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents about the importance of parking considerately to ensure that the roads remain a safe place for our school community. If you have no other choice but to drive to school, park further away and walk the remainder of the way

Cars **should not park anywhere on the school grounds** unless you have a specific agreement with the school and this is for good reason. The vehicle gates will be kept locked at the end of the school day. This will mean that cars will not be able to leave or enter the school grounds between 3:00pm and 3:30pm.

Please can I also remind you of the following:

- The staff car park should not be used by parents at any time
- Parking behind the bungalows is for residents only and should not be used for parking by parents dropping off or collecting
- **Dropping off** children in the morning using the turning circle is permitted. The drop off point is outside the Site Manager's bungalow and not anywhere else
- Speed limit on site is limited to strictly 5mph
- Parents, carers and children should enter through the pedestrian gate and keep to the footpath

Please can you pass this message on to any of your extended family or friends who on occasions bring or collect your children. If you do witness any inconsiderate driving/parking on the roads around the school, please report it via the police non-emergency website.

School Lunches



Fresh Start provide fantastic school lunches, freshly prepared on site every day. Sourced locally wherever possible, these meals are healthy and balanced and packed full of flavour! Allergies can be catered for but please contact the school office if your child has any which must be considered.

If you would like to order a school lunch for your child, please submit your order directly with Fresh Start on their website by **12:00pm on Thursday** for the following week. Late lunches should only be ordered in an emergency or if there is a sudden change. Thank you for your help with this.

Breakfast and After School Club

Our wraparound provider is Kid Zone who hold before and after school clubs for all pupils from Reception to Year 6. When signing your child up for this, please indicate your child's new class teacher for this academic year. This helps Kid Zone and the school ensure your child gets safely to the after school club at the end of the 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':

Reception: Zara & Hudson
Year 1: Freddie & Promise
Year 2: Imogen & Skyla
Year 3: Hendrix & Adeson
Year 4: Royal & Callie
Year 5: Seth & Sean
Year 6: Darlington & Joshua



Summer Reading Challenge



Well done to the following children who participated in the summer reading challenge and submitted entry forms: Stanley M, Grace M, Ethan C, Holly F, Chloe-Marie P, Ben R, Leo K, Ila L, Keegan W, Willow H, Mia R and Harry M.

Congratulations to Peyton and Storm who were selected as winners for the variety of books read and completed entry forms. The both received a £10.00 book voucher in Collective Worship this week.

FOWS

Thank you for all the emails over the summer regarding school uniform requests. Sorry we haven't been in touch, but we need to get into school and do an audit of what we have. We are unable at this time to accept any more donations of pre-loved uniform.



FOWS will be holding an open meeting on Tuesday 1st October at 6:00pm at school. All parents and carers are invited to join us. Please come to reception and a FOWS representative will meet you. This is a great opportunity to share any fundraising ideas or feedback you may have. Hope to see you there!

Jazzercise – Fitness for Everyone

Come and join us for fun fitness classes at Winslow CE School - Monday & Wednesday 7.30pm and Saturday 9.00am. Classes are for all fitness levels, abilities and ages and for us it's about having fun first and then the fitness will follow.

We'd love you to come and try us out! Contact Keri on jazzercise1@hotmail.co.uk or 07900 987230 and to find out more information, visit <https://www.jazzercisebbh.com/>

Safeguarding

All staff received updated safeguarding training on our INSET day last week to ensure they continue to have the relevant skills and knowledge to carry out their responsibilities effectively. Information about our safeguarding processes, including our Safeguarding Statement and Child Protection Policy, can be found on our [website](#).

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.

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| 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 | |

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 | Year Group |
|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Tuesday 3 rd September | INSET DAY | Whole School |
| Wednesday 4 th September | INSET DAY | Whole School |
| Thursday 5 th September | Pupils Return to School | Whole School |
| Tuesday 10 th September | Secondary Transfer Practice Test | Year Six |
| Thursday 12 th September | Secondary Transfer Test | Year Six |
| Tuesday 17 th September (3:30pm) | Parent Meeting for Y6 Residential Trip | Year Six |
| Tuesday 24 th September (8:40am – 9:40am) | KS1 Stay and Read for Y1 and Y2 Parents | Year One and Year Two |
| Thursday 26 th September | European Day of Languages | Whole School |
| wc 30 th September | Harvest (Pupils only; collection and distribution of non-perishables to local elderly neighbours and the Winslow Food Bank) | Whole School |
| Tuesday 1 st October (6:00pm) | FOWS AGM – At Winslow School | Whole School |
| Thursday 3 rd October (9:30am – 11:00am) | Reception Class and Rainbows Preschool Tours (New Starters Sept 2025) | New parents |
| Thursday 3 rd October | Year Four Egyptian Day | Year Four |
| Tuesday 8 th October (8:40am – 9:40am) | EYFS Stay and Read for Reception Parents | Reception |
| Friday 11 th October (9:30am – 11:00am) | Reception Class and Rainbows Preschool Tours (New Starters Sept 2025) | New parents |
| Friday 11 th October | Secondary Transfer Test Results Released | Year Six |
| Monday 14 th October – Friday 18 th October | Residential Trip - PGL Liddington | Year Six |
| Monday 21 st October (3:30pm – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 23 rd October (4:30pm – 7:00pm) | Parents' Evenings | Reception – Year Six |
| Friday 25 th October | FOWS Break the Rules Day | Whole School |
| Friday 25 th October | Last day of term for pupils | Whole School |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November) | | |
| Thursday 31 st October | Secondary School Application Deadline | Year Six |
| Monday 4 th November | INSET DAY | Whole School |
| Tuesday 5 th November | Children return to school | Whole School |
| Thursday 7 th November | Outdoor Learning Day | Whole School |
| Thursday 7 th November (9:30am – 11:00am) | Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2025) | New parents |
| Friday 8 th November | Remembrance Service (Year 6 Parents) | Year Six |
| Sunday 10 th November | Remembrance in Winslow | Whole School |
| Tuesday 12 th November (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm) | FOWS Disco Year 1 and Year 2 Year 5 and 6 Disco | Year One, Two, Five and Six |

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| Thursday 14 th November (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm) | FOWS Disco Reception Year 3 and 4 Disco | Reception, Year Three and Four |
| wc 11 th November | Anti-bullying Week/Odd Socks Day (Date TBC) | Whole School |
| Thursday 14 th November (9:30am – 11:00am) | Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2025) | New parents |
| Friday 15 th November | Children in Need | Whole School |
| Tuesday 19 th November | Whole School Flu Immunisations | Whole School |
| Wednesday 20 th November | Whole School Photographs | Whole School |
| Thursday 21 st November | SENDCo Drop in Clinic | Whole School |
| Wednesday 27 th November | Year One Church Visit | Year One |
| Friday 29 th November | FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day | Whole School |
| Saturday 30 th November(11:00am – 1:00pm) | FOWS Christmas Fete | Whole School |
| wc 2 nd December | Christmas Book Week | Whole School |
| Tuesday 3 rd December (2:00pm) and Wednesday 4 th December (9:30am) | KS1 Christmas Performance | Year One and Year Two |
| Wednesday 4 th December (2:00pm) and Friday 6 th December (9:30am) | EYFS Christmas Performance | Rainbows and Reception |
| Monday 9 th December (Time TBC) | Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church | Year Five |
| Tuesday 10 th December (9:30pm) and Wednesday 11 th December (2:00pm) | Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance | Year Three and Year Four |
| Thursday 12 th December | Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children) | Whole School |
| Thursday 12 th December | Christmas Lunch Day | Whole School |
| Tuesday 17 th December (2:00pm) | Year 6 Carol Concert | Year Six |
| Friday 20 th December (2:30 – 3:15pm) | Carols on the Playground | Whole School |
| Friday 20 th December | Last Day of School for pupils | Whole School |
| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Children return on Monday 6 th January 2025 | | |

This Term's Value is:

Respect

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

Luke 6:31

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