



Friday 25th October 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,

As we approach the end of our autumn half-term, we wanted to reflect on the fantastic start to the academic year. It has been a busy, exciting and productive half-term, filled with learning, creativity and community spirit and we look forward to the upcoming half-term and the opportunities and challenges it will bring. Please see the Calendar of Events at the end of this Newsletter with updates to planned events.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement with the school and your child/children's learning. It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Parents' Evenings this week. We are looking forward to working in partnership with you as parents/carers over the coming year and recognise the importance of these strong relationships for pupil outcomes and wellbeing.

On Friday 8th November we will be holding a whole-school Remembrance Service, led by Year Six. 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 10th 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 us in the parade.



Poppies and commemorative rulers, wristbands and keyrings from the Royal British Legion will be available in school until Monday 11th November for a small donation. Money for these should be sent into school with your child.

Today we said goodbye to Mrs Faiers as she leaves us to relocate to the Cotswolds with her family. We will all miss Mrs Faiers very much but wish her every success in this exciting new chapter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her hard work and dedication to the school and children in her role, first as a trainee teacher and then as class teacher over the last three years. We are delighted to welcome Miss Christophers as the new Year 4 teacher. She joined the staff team this week and has already been getting to know the children.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half-term break and look forward to welcoming the children back on **Tuesday 5th November**.

Mrs Samantha Dimpleby

Headteacher

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Important notice about FOWS and forthcoming events

Thank you to the parents who responded to our plea for help at the school Discos. We have forwarded your names to the FOWS committee and they will be in touch in due course and information about the discos will follow shortly.



Despite requests for more support for FOWS, there are currently not enough committee members, therefore they are not following their constitution. This means that they may not be able to operate.

This would be such a shame for the school as FOWS raise a significant amount of money which enhances your child's experience at Winslow CE School. Therefore I am asking for anybody who can join the committee and be part of this previously very successful team to email the school office.

In light of this, the Christmas Fair has been moved to **Friday 6th December @ 3:30pm**. We are meeting on **Tuesday 12th November @2:00pm** in the nurture room at school to plan this event and need more support and volunteers. I hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us.

Let's not lose this very important part of our school community.

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 & Mia
Year 1: Arthur & Owen
Year 2: Riley & Ameera
Year 3: Daria & Salem
Year 4: Sebastian & Jovie
Year 5: Levi & Lola
Year 6: Matilda & Lamara



Attendance

Well done to 1SB who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 98.41%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 94.18%.

Authorised or Unauthorised? If your child is ill, school will need details of their illness. If the reasons for the absence are made known to us, and are appropriate, the absence will be authorised for the first few days. If their illness continues, you may be asked for evidence from your GP. However, school will not authorise non-attendance for illness if it becomes too frequent. If your child's attendance falls below 90% (persistent absentee), you will also be asked for medical evidence in order to authorise the absence.

Accelerated Readers

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

3ER
4VK
5JW
6CM



Bonfire & FIREWORK DISPLAY

Saturday 2 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 £ 7.00

Children (5-15 years of age) £ 3.00

Under 5's Free

Hot Dogs & Drinks will be available

We are unable to accept any materials for the bonfire

Safety Notice

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

More info - WinslowLions.org.uk

Lions Club of
Winslow

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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 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.

HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November)		
Date	Event	Year Group
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
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
Monday 25th November	NSPCC Assemblies	Whole School
Wednesday 27 th November	Year One Church Visit	Year One
Friday 29 th November	FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day	Whole School
Saturday 30th November (11:00am – 1:00pm)	FOWS Christmas Fete REARRANGED	Whole School
wc 2 nd December	Christmas Book Week	Whole School
wc 2nd December	NSPCC Workshops	Year One, Two and Six
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
Friday 6th December (3:30pm)	FOWS Christmas Fete	Whole School
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

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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 6:3

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