



Friday 20th June 2025

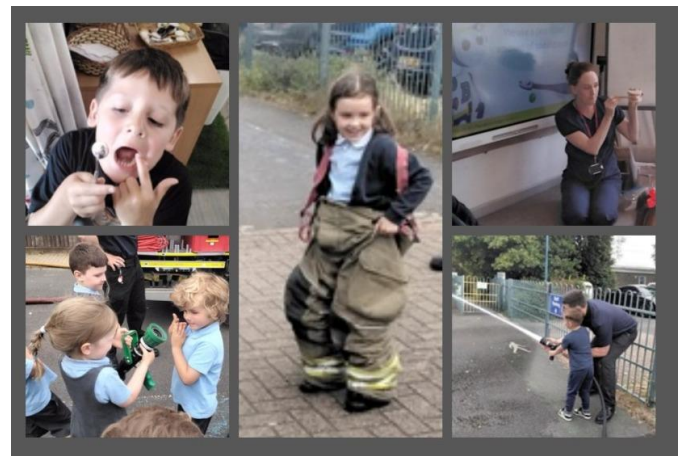
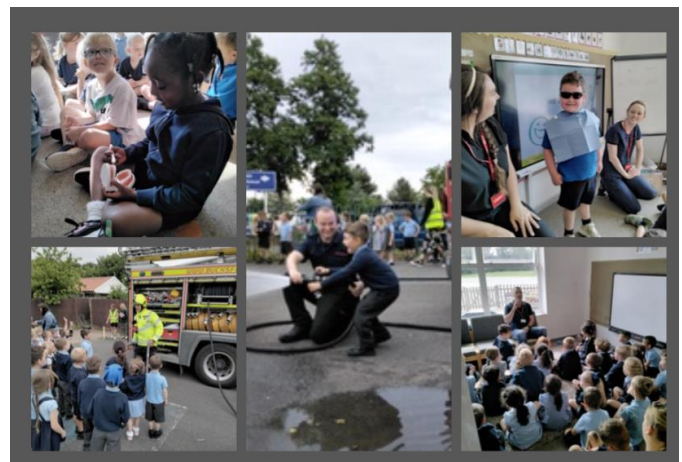
Our vision is 'Let your light shine'. The rainbow symbolises God's unconditional love for each individual. We seek to reflect that light in all we do: in our community, both local and wider, in our communication, both word and action, with curiosity and courage, and with care and compassion for everyone, inspiring a love of learning.

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Winslow CE School, we believe learning goes way beyond the classroom walls. While our core curriculum provides a strong foundation in knowledge and skills, we are always looking for ways to enrich our pupils' educational experiences through meaningful and memorable opportunities. We also regularly invite visitors into school to share their expertise, stories and experiences. From local authors to inspiring professionals, these visits help our children connect what they learn in school with the wider world, often in exciting and unexpected ways.

Last week we had a visit from swimming instructors at Swan Pool who talked to the children about *Water Safety* and how to keep themselves safe when out and about during the summer months. Reception had special visits from a dentist and a British Sign Language Interpreter as part of their learning about 'People Who Help Us'. The children learnt all about these important jobs and particularly enjoyed exploring the dentist's equipment and learning how to sign to each other. The highlight of the week was a visit from the local fire brigade who taught the children all about their special protective clothes and equipment – they even got to spray the hose and explore the fire engine!

These enrichment activities are carefully planned to compliment the curriculum and support our wider aims of developing confident, well-rounded learners. If you have any questions – or if you – or someone you know – might be interested in visiting the school to contribute to our enrichment programme, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We'd love to hear from you!



This week's Pupil Fundraising Day has provided a wonderful opportunity for the children to understand the importance of maths in a real-life context. They have had to think creatively to solve-problems while working together to create products that other children will want to buy. Each class will count up their profit from the event and the total amount raised will be spent on enhancing the school for the children. The Junior Leadership Team will present the children's ideas for how to spend the money to the Senior Leadership Team later this term.

We are currently finalising the teaching arrangements for September 2025 and all parents/carers will receive a ParentMail on **Thursday 26th June**, which will inform you of your child's class teacher for next year. Please keep an eye out for this letter and share this

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information with your child. A ParentMail was sent out earlier this week explaining the transition process. Transition Day will take place on **Tuesday 1st July** where the children will spend the morning in their new classrooms with their new teacher and learning support staff.

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

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

Headteacher

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Staffing Update

Miss Jacques will be leaving at the end of the summer term to start an exciting new business venture. She has recently launched *Phonics with Robot Reg* in Buckingham and from September will be running classes in Winslow and the surrounding areas. These classes are aimed at children between the ages of 1 and 4 (and their parents) and are designed to promote a love for reading and teach early phonics skills through singing, dancing and play. Miss Jacques would be happy to answer any questions you may have about your nearest class so please do get in touch with her if you'd like more information. <https://www.robotreg.co.uk/buckingham/>

Mrs Grant will also be leaving at the end of the summer term to take up a position as a Learning Support Assistant in a secondary setting. Mrs Grant has worked at Winslow CE School for 18 years and will be deeply missed by pupils, staff and parents. I would like to take this opportunity to thank both Miss Jacques and Mrs Grant for their hard-work and dedication and wish them every success in their new roles.

Stay safe around the new railway line through Winslow



As part of the exciting new rail service to Winslow, Chiltern Railways are working hard to deliver your brand-new station and railway services. Ahead of the station opening, they are running test services alongside scheduled freight trains on the route through Winslow. This is why it's vital that everyone knows how to stay safe around the railway.

Please share the following information with your children:

The railway is live

The East West Rail line is now active. Trains (including test and freight services) can travel at up to 100mph without warning. You will not hear them coming.

No place for photos

Train tracks are not safe places to film or take selfies. A moment of distraction can lead to serious consequences.

Trains can't stop quickly

Modern trains can take over a kilometre to stop, even with emergency brakes. Trespassing on or near the tracks puts lives at serious risk.

Trains are quiet

Today's modern trains are often near silent until they're right next to you. Don't rely on hearing them to stay safe.

Never take shortcuts

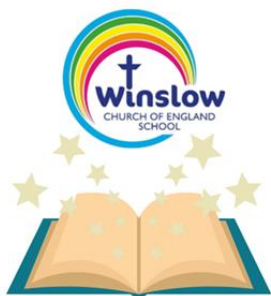
Do not use the railway or its surroundings as a walking route, even if it looks quiet. Accessing the tracks is illegal and highly dangerous.

Obey signs and barriers

Always follow warning signs, fencing, and barriers - they're there for your protection, including during testing.

If you see someone on the tracks or acting dangerously, call 999 immediately. Chiltern Railways will be returning to schools to talk more about the new railway and the exciting opportunities it brings in the autumn term. In the meantime, please stay safe over the summer holidays.

Reader of the Week



Every page makes a difference.

Our Reader of the Week initiative has had a great start. The children have enjoyed taking home their Book Buddy bags, reading the books, and writing in their journals. It's been great to see how enthusiastic and engaged they are with their reading.

Reading for pleasure is an important part of developing strong literacy skills. When children read with an adult at home, it not only improves their reading ability but also helps build confidence and enjoyment in books. Thank you for supporting this new initiative.

This week's Readers of the Week are: Rufus H, Mia W, Zayne W, Ameera G, Lola T, Keegan W, Emily K, Fletcher D, Levi H, Stan G, William S and Maxi M.

Well done to all our readers! Keep enjoying your books and sharing stories at home.

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: Tyler & Chloe
Year 1: Myla-Rose & Kymani
Year 2: David & Skyla
Year 3: Ila & Bodhi
Year 4: Luna & Joshua
Year 5: Lola & Lola
Year 6: Sybil & Rudy



Attendance

Well done to 3MW who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 99.67%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 96.05%.

Regular attendance is vital for your child's learning, development and overall success in school. Every day counts, and even a few days missed can have a significant impact on their progress and confidence.

Accelerated Readers

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

3RE
4VK
5RS
6CM



FOWS Update



Thank you to those parents who contacted Sarah Picketts regarding FOWS. There will be a meeting on **Thursday 3rd July at 2.15pm** in the Nurture Room for anyone who is considering becoming a committee member or trustee. Once these roles are in place, then a further call will go out for volunteers so events can be planned! We look forward to welcoming you.

If want to find out more please contact Sarah Picketts at fows@winslow.bucks.sch.uk or find her in the KS1 playground.

Sun cream and sun hats



Now that summer finally seems to have arrived, we must take action to keep ourselves and our children safe. It is important that all children have sun hats in school every day and wear sun cream. Long wearing sun cream should be applied before the children arrive at school. Please also provide your child with a water bottle every day – this is extremely important to ensure the children stay hydrated throughout the day.

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 summer 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 24 th June	Reception Trip to Hogshaw Farm	Reception
Wednesday 25 th June	EYFS and KS1 Church Worship with parents – St Laurence Church	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Thursday 26 th June	Winslow Pupil Talent Show	Whole School
Friday 27 th June	Year 2 Trip to Waddesdon Manor	Year Two
Tuesday 1 st July	Whole School Transition Day	Whole School
Tuesday 1 st July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 1, 3 and 5	Reception, Year Two and Year Four
Wednesday 2 nd July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 2, 4 and 6	Year One, Year Three and Year Five
Thursday 3 rd July	Bridgebuilder – It's Your Move Y6	Year Six
Thursday 3 rd July (2:15pm)	FOWS Meeting	Whole School
Tuesday 1 st and Wednesday 2 nd July	Y6 Buckinghamshire Transition Days	Year Six
Tuesday 8 th July	EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (am)	Rainbows, Reception, Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 9 th July	KS2 Sports Day – Y3 & Y4 (am), Y5 & Y6 (pm)	Year Three, Year Four, Year Five and Year Six
Thursday 10 th July	Y6 Leavers' Service at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford	Year Six
Friday 11 th July	End of year Reports to Parents	Whole School
Monday 14 th July	Y6 Production (Afternoon performance)	Year Six
Tuesday 15 th July	Y6 Production (Evening performance)	Year Six
Wednesday 16 th July (9:00am)	Coffee Meeting for parents of SEND Children	Whole School
Monday 21 st July (Time TBC)	Y6 Leaver's Service at St Laurence Church	Year Six
Wednesday 23 rd July	Last Day of Term	Whole School
SUMMER HOLIDAY Children return on Friday 5 th September 2025		

*This Term's Value is: **Forgiveness***

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your Heavenly Father will also forgive you.

Matthew 6:14

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