



Friday 27th 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,

It has been another very busy and exciting week but the highlight has definitely been the *Winslow Talent Show* yesterday afternoon! Finalists from across the school performed for the whole school and their parents. Members from the Junior Leadership Team, with the support of Mrs Burman organised and judged the performances. Congratulations to all the children for participating in both the auditions and the final. Everyone enjoyed watching the performances which included singing and dancing, gymnastics, comedy and musical performances. The winners of the Winslow's Got Talent Final 2024 were:

1st Place: Ava-Rose

2nd Place: Halle & Millie

3rd Place: Karyss

Year Five enjoyed a curriculum enrichment opportunity this week with a visit to two special places of worship. They visited the Mosque in Milton Keynes on Tuesday morning and the children were very excited to learn more about how the space is used and appreciated how beautiful it is; everyone was made to feel incredibly welcome. The children listened with great interest, took part in an activity about kindness and sharing and were given a bookmark as a gift with their name written in Arabic. The staff at the Mosque were very impressed with the children's knowledge from their learning in RE lessons about the Muslim faith.



In the afternoon, the children and staff were warmly welcomed into Milton Keynes Hindu Association. The children spent time looking at the incredible altar which was full of flowers and colour and were able to take a close look at some of the beautiful deities. Both venues were delighted to meet the children, enjoyed listening to their questions and accommodated us warmly. We would like to thank the parents and carers for supporting this learning opportunity for the children.



Our Pupil Fundraising Day on Friday 20th June was a fantastic success, with all children enthusiastically taking part in running their year group stalls and putting their numeracy skills into action. It was wonderful to see the excitement and teamwork as pupils engaged in handling money and calculating profits throughout the day. A special mention goes to our generous Year Five pupils, who independently organised a loom band sale and raised an impressive additional £100 for the school! Thanks to the enthusiasm of our pupils and the support of families,

we are proud to share that we raised **£779.27** in total – a brilliant achievement by all involved!

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You should have now received a ParentMail informing you of your child's new teacher for September 2025. I hope the children are looking forward to spending the morning on Tuesday in their new classroom, getting to know their teacher, Learning Support Assistants and their new learning environment. The whole school list of Teachers and Learning Support Assistants can be found at the end of this newsletter.

I wish all of Year Six good luck as they visit their various secondary schools next week and look forward to hearing about their experiences.

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

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

Headteacher

Transition Meetings for Parents

Transition meetings for parents will take place on the following days:

Tuesday 1st July

3:30pm – New Year 1 (current Reception) parents in Miss Ayrey's classroom

4.00pm – New Year 3 (current Year 2) parents in Mrs Epps/Mrs Richard's classroom

4.30pm – New Year 5 (current Year 4) parents in Mrs Shirley's classroom

Wednesday 2nd July

3.30pm – New Year 2 (current Year 1) parents in Miss Aldridge's classroom

4:00pm – New Year 4 (current Year 3) parents in Miss Kelner's classroom

4.30pm – New Year 6 (current Year 5) parents in Miss Moseley/Mrs Pool's classroom

Staff will present some information to you about what to expect in the new year group. There will be a chance to ask questions and informally chat with the teaching staff who will be working with your child next year.

We look forward to working with you over the next few weeks to prepare your child for the next step in their journey through Winslow Church of England School.

Reader of the Week - The Joy of Reading Together: A Gift for Your Child's Heart and Mind

Reading with your child is one of the simplest and most powerful ways to support their emotional well-being, build connection, and foster a lifelong love for learning. Sharing stories



together isn't just about turning pages—it's about creating memories, opening up conversations, and making children feel safe, seen, and understood.

Our picture book recommendation to read at home is "The Invisible String" by Patrice Karst. This beautiful story gently explores the idea that we are all connected by invisible strings of love—even when we're apart. It's a comforting and reassuring read, especially for

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children who may be dealing with separation anxiety, changes, or simply navigating big feelings. Here is a link to the story to watch together: [The Invisible String](#)

Reading together strengthens your child's mental health by:

- Encouraging open communication and empathy
- Helping them name and understand their emotions
- Offering calm, screen-free bonding time
- Boosting confidence and imagination

Make reading part of your daily routine—before bed, after school, or even just a few minutes on the sofa. The benefits go far beyond literacy. You're nurturing not just a reader, but a well-rounded, emotionally resilient child.



So snuggle up, pick a book, and enjoy the magic of a story—together.

This week's Readers of the Week are: Darren L, Xander W, Fox R, Henry K, William B, Chloe K, Jaydon H, Frankie E, Benjamin G, Alfred L, James R and Logan P

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 & Chloe
Year 1: Ellara & Ben
Year 2: Imogen & Emily
Year 3: Leo & Mia
Year 4: Bella & Jovie
Year 5: Brianna & Holly
Year 6: William & Zaiden



Attendance

Well done to 4SN who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 97.44%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 93.58%.

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:

3MW
4VK
5JW
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.

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 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
Monday 7 th July	Guitar Concert with Mr Allen	Whole School
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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Class Teacher and Learning Support Assistants
September 2025

Year Group	Teacher	Learning Support Assistants
Rainbows Preschool	Mrs Rodriguez	Mrs Walton Miss White
Reception	Miss Allen	Mrs Curtis Mrs Compton Miss Hopkins
	Mrs Hill	
	Mr Thompson	
Year 1	Mrs Burman	Miss Spencer (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) Mrs Cumming (Mon, Tues, Wed) Mrs Nichols (Wed, Turs, Fri) Miss Stillwell
	Miss Ayrey	
Year 2	Miss Aldridge	Mrs Teale Mrs Francis
	Miss Willett	
Year 3	Mrs Epps	Mrs Davey (Mon, Tues, Wed) Mrs Picillo (Thurs, Fri) Mrs Robins Mrs Lawrence Mrs Langley
	Mrs Richards	
	Mrs Collard	
Year 4	Miss Kelner	Mrs Hartshorn Mrs Fairbridge Mrs Rogers
	Miss Crawford	
Year 5	Mrs Walker	Mrs Pegg Mrs Volokhovska Miss Briggenshaw
	Mrs Gurney	
	Mrs Shirley	
Year 6	Mr McConnell	Mrs Addley Mrs Heal Miss Cousins
	Mrs Moseley	
	Mrs Pool	