



Friday 7th November 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,

We hope you all enjoyed a restful half-term break and some quality family time together. This term promises to be another busy and exciting one as we begin preparations for our Christmas performances and celebrations.



Time outdoors improves children's health, supports engagement in learning and leads to a

greater connection with nature. On Thursday children across the school enjoyed opportunities for learning outside the classroom as part of 'Outdoor Learning Day'. These activities included outdoor maths using natural resources, fraction problems and a colour hunt, looking at colours in nature. It was wonderful to see the children applying their knowledge in different contexts and immersed in learning.

Next week we will be joining schools across the country to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week, with this year's theme: "Power for Good." Anti-Bullying Week is coordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance (ABA), a national organisation that works to make sure all children feel safe, valued, and free from bullying. The week aims to remind us all - children and adults alike - that we each have the power to make a positive difference in our school and community. You can find out more about their important work at www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk



We will begin the week with Odd Socks Day on Monday 10th November. Everyone is encouraged to wear odd socks to school as a fun way to celebrate what makes us all unique and to spread kindness and acceptance.

As part of our celebrations, children are invited to take part in our "Power for Good" Superhero Poster

Competition. Pupils will design their very own superhero whose mission is to stand up against bullying. They can include symbols, costume designs, and even create a short comic strip showing their hero stepping in to help someone in need. Posters need to be returned to school by Thursday 13th November. Please make sure your child's name and class is clearly marked on their poster.

Winning posters will be announced during our Celebration Collective Worship on Friday 14th November. The winning entries will also be displayed around the school to showcase how our children use their Power for Good to make a difference.

Anti-Bullying Week is a special time for us to come together, celebrate kindness, and show that our school is a place where everyone feels safe, supported, and valued.

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We will be honouring our fallen in Winslow this Sunday and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the parade. Please arrive at the Public Hall car park by **10:30am**, wearing full school uniform. Our Head Boy and Head Girl will have the privilege of laying a wreath at the Winslow War Memorial on behalf of the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support – have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

Headteacher

Coffee Meeting for parents of SEND children



Are you a parent or carer of a child with Special Educational Needs?

We would like to invite you to our SEND Coffee morning on **Thursday 20th November** at **9am**. This is an informal space for any parent, including parents of children without

SEND, to network with other parents and families.

A guest speaker from the Mental Health Support Team will be attending and giving a presentation on emotional regulation. We look forward to welcoming you.

Flu Immunisations



On Friday 14th November, the school nurses will be in school to administer the Flu vaccines to all children. If you haven't yet signed your child up to have the vaccine and you wish them to have it, please do so by midday on Wednesday 12th November.

Children in Need – Non Uniform Day

Friday 14th November is Children in Need and we have chosen to support the good work of this charity again this year. We would like everyone to get involved and raise some money by holding a non- uniform day for a donation of £1/£2 or more to this fantastic cause.



This charity supports so many good causes for young people and changes lives across the United Kingdom, for example, supporting children with mental health issues, and children living in poverty.

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For this event we have set up a Just Giving page to collect donations for BBC Children in Need 2025. Please follow the link below to make your donations. Don't forget to tick the Gift Aid option, if you can, so Children in Need can claim an extra 25% from the government.

Please note we will not be collecting cash donations in school

[Winslow Church of England School Winslow is fundraising for BBC Children In Need](#)

Reader of the Week

Each week, teachers will nominate a child who has shown fantastic effort and progress in their reading — whether through home reading, Accelerated Reader, phonics, or class work.

This week's Readers of the Week are: Erin B, Skye S, Paige P, Mya-Rose T, Isabella B, Skyla C, Peyton W, Lola T, Alfred C, Rebecca M, Miles G & Millie B

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: Isabella & Archie
- Year 1: Ava & Matlida
- Year 2: Xavian & Louis
- Year 3: Logan & Emily
- Year 4: Emily & Noah
- Year 5: Poppy & Aaryan
- Year 6: Theo & Rosie



Accelerated Readers

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

3CC
4VK
5RS
6CM



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Attendance

Well done to 4VC who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 100%. Our average whole-school attendance this week is 95.63%.

If your child is unable to attend school, please notify the school office by 9:00am on the first morning of absence.

When reporting an absence you will need to advise us of the child's name, class and detailed reasons for absence. This can be done in one of three ways:

1. Using the absence reporting tool on ParentMail
2. Calling the school office on 01296 712296
3. Emailing the school - office@winslow.bucks.sch.uk

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.

Date	Event	Year Group
Sunday 9 th November	Remembrance in Winslow	Whole School
Tuesday 11 th November	Remembrance Service (Year 6 Parents)	Year Six
wc 10 th November	Anti-bullying Week/Odd Socks Day (Date TBC)	Whole School
Wednesday 12 th November	Year 1 Phonics Parent Workshop	Year One
Thursday 13 th November (9:30am – 11:00am)	Reception Class and Rainbows Pre-school Tours (New Starters Sept 2026)	New parents
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need	Whole School
Friday 14 th November	Whole School Flu Immunisations	Whole School
Wednesday 19 th November	Whole School Photographs	Whole School
Thursday 20 th November	Coffee Meeting for Parents of SEND Children	Whole School
Tuesday 25 th November	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Assembly	Whole School
Friday 28 th November	FOWS Christmas Tombola Mufti Day	Whole School
wc 1 st December	Christmas Book Week	Whole School
Tuesday 2 nd and Friday 5 th December	NSPCC Workshops	Year Two, Year Five and Year Six
Tuesday 2 nd December (2:00pm) and Wednesday 3 rd December (9:30am)	KS1 Christmas Performance	Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 3 rd December (2:00pm) and Friday 5 th December (9:30am)	EYFS Christmas Performance	Rainbows and Reception
Friday 5 th December	FOWS Christmas Fete	Whole School
Tuesday 9 th December (6:00pm)	Year 5 Christingle Service at St Laurence Church	Year Five
Tuesday 9 th December (2:00pm) and Wednesday 10 th December (9:30am)	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance	Year Three and Year Four
Wednesday 10 th December (2:30pm)	Year 6 Carol Concert	Year Six
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)	Whole School
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Lunch Day	Whole School
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Worship at St Laurence Church	Whole School
Friday 19 th December (2:30 – 3:15pm)	Carols on the Playground	Whole School
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of School for pupils	Whole School
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Children return on Monday 5 th January 2026		

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This Term's Value is:

Respect

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

Luke 6:31

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