



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

*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,

There has been a real sense of energy and purpose around the school once again this week. Classrooms are buzzing with learning, the days are gradually getting lighter, and it has been wonderful to see the children continuing to challenge themselves and support one another so positively.

One of the highlights of the week was a very special visit from the Florence Nightingale Hospice mascot, Florrie, who came to personally thank our pupils for their fantastic fundraising efforts. The children were absolutely delighted by the visit, and it was a proud moment to see their hard work and generosity recognised in such a joyful way.

Thanks to the enthusiasm and commitment of our pupils, supported as always by our families and staff, we have been able to contribute meaningfully to a charity that does such vital work in our community. The visit helped the children truly understand the impact of their kindness and the difference they can make when they work together.

Thank you once again to everyone who supported the fundraising events. Moments like these remind us that our school is not just a place of learning, but a caring community with compassion at its heart. As the spring term continues, we look forward to many more opportunities to celebrate achievement, generosity and growth together.



As always, thank you for your continued support - Have a lovely weekend!

*Mrs Samantha Dumbleby*

**Headteacher**

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## Reader of the Week



Each week, teachers nominate a child who has shown fantastic effort and progress in their reading — whether through home reading, Accelerated Reader, phonics, or class work. Our *Readers of the Week* are celebrated in Collective Worship and also get to take home the Book Buddy Bag.

**This week's Readers of the Week are:** Ava S, Isabella F, Ben P, Louis M, Rubie C, Mia G, Evalynn W, Noah W, Ledi M, Josiah Y, Ayah M and Evie N.

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: Thea & Dominik  
Year 1: Athena & Olivia  
Year 2: Ruben & Ava  
Year 3: Margot & Noah  
Year 4: Lily & Isabel  
Year 5: Teddy & Emily  
Year 6: Taylor & Brianna



## Accelerated Readers

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

<b>3RE</b>
<b>4VK</b>
<b>5GW</b>
<b>6MP</b>



## Attendance

Well done to 3RE who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 98.86%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 94.14%.

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## Attendance and Wellbeing

Good attendance is about much more than being present for lessons - it plays a key role in supporting children's wellbeing. When children attend school regularly, they benefit from consistent routines, a sense of belonging and strong relationships with both peers and staff. These are all essential for feeling safe, confident and ready to learn.



Regular attendance helps children stay connected to their friendships and reduces anxiety that can arise from missing lessons or feeling left behind. It also supports emotional wellbeing by providing structure, predictability and access to trusted adults who can offer guidance and support when needed.

We understand that there may be times when children are unwell, and of course their health always comes first. However, we encourage families to prioritise attendance wherever possible, as being in school every day helps children thrive both academically and emotionally. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us care for the whole child.

## FOWS

FOWS are pleased to announce that there will be discos this term on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February. More details are given in the poster at the end of the newsletter and were also sent out on a ParentMail earlier this week. Payments can be made in advance using this [link](#) (ensure you add a merchants note giving your child's name and year group) or payment can be made on the door. The children always enjoy the discos so thank you to FOWS and school staff who are helping make this happen.



## 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.

<b>Mrs Samantha Dimbleby</b> Designated Safeguarding Lead	
<b>Mrs Katie Epps</b> Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
<b>Miss Daisy Allen</b> Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Child Protection Governor <b>Mr David Shaw</b>	

## 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 spring 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
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January (2:00pm)	FOWS Meeting	Whole School
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	KS2 Author Visit	Year Three, Four, Five and Six
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January (9:00am)	Parents of SEND Coffee Meeting	Whole School
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	KS2 Author Visit	Year Three – Year Six
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February (2:30pm)	Year One Phonics Screening Information Session and Stay and Read Year One	Year One
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Year Four Church Visit	Year Four
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming Gala	Key Stage Two
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	SEND Parent Clinic with SENDCo	Whole School
wc Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Children’s Mental Health Week	Whole School
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day	Whole School
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Year Five visit to Mosque	Year Five
Date TBC	Internet Safety Parent Information Evening	Whole School
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm)	<b>FOWS Disco</b> Reception Year 3 and 4 Disco	Reception, Year Three and Four
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Year Five Victorian Day	Year Five
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February (4:30pm – 5:30pm) (5:45pm - 6:45pm)	<b>FOWS Disco</b> Year 1 and Year 2 Year 5 and 6 Disco	Year One, Two, Five and Six
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February (9:00am – 10:00am)	Maths Workshops for Parents	Year One – Year Six
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Interim Reports to Parents	Reception – Year six
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET DAY – school closed to children	Whole School
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b> (Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February)		
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Children return to school	Whole School
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February (5:00pm)	SATS Information Evening for Parents	Year Six
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February (9:00am)	Parents of SEND Coffee Meeting	Whole School
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March (3:30pm – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March(4:30pm – 7:30pm)	Parents’ Evening	Reception – Year Six
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	Whole School
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	After School Library Session for Children and Parents	Whole School
wc 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week	Whole School
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	FOWS Mother’s Day Gifts Sale	Whole School
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Year Five Church Visit	Year Five
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March (9:00-9:30am)	Stay and Read Session	Reception and Year Two
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day – Non-uniform Day	Whole School

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Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Bikeability	Year Three
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents of SEND Coffee Meeting	Whole School
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Group Photos	Reception and Year Six
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year Three Church Visit	Year Three
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March– Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Rock UK Residential Trip	Year Four
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term	Whole School
EASTER HOLIDAY Children return on Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026		

*This Term's Value is:*

***Kindness***

*"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience".*

*Colossians 3:12*

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FRIENDS OF WINSLOW SCHOOL PRESENTS

# Valentine's Day Disco

## 10 FEBRUARY

RECEPTION - 4.30PM - 5.30PM  
YR 3 & 4 - 5.45PM - 6.45PM

## 12 FEBRUARY

YRS 1 & 2 - 4.30PM - 5.30PM  
YRS 5 & 6 - 5.45PM - 6.45PM

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ON THE DOOR  
OR IN ADVANCE

ENTRY - £3.00

GOODY BAGS AVAILABLE FOR  
RECEPTION - YEARS 1 & 2 - £3.00

TUCK SHOP AVAILABLE  
FOR YR 3 ONWARDS

# YOU ARE INVITED TO



**BETWEEN 9AM - 1PM**

- ALL STRINGS (1 TERM TO GRADE 5)
- ALL INSTRUMENTS
- ALL SINGERS
- ALL AGES



# OPEN DAY

**AT AYLESBURY MUSIC CENTRE**  
**SATURDAY 31ST JANUARY**  
**IT'S FREE!**

**GOT A QUESTION?**



WALTON ROAD | AYLESBURY HP21 7ST |  
 AYLIMUSIC@BUCKINGHAMSHIREMUSIC.CO.UK



**NO NEED TO BOOK**  
**JUST TURN UP!**

# COME PLAY AND SING

## WHAT CAN I DO?



**9-10.30 'JUNIOR JAZZ'**  
OPEN TO ALL INSTRUMENTALISTS (INC GUITAR & PIANO)  
1 TERM TUITION TO GRADE 3  
INFORMAL PLAY THROUGH AT 10.15  
- PARENTS/FAMILY WELCOME

**10.45-11.45 'BIG SING'**  
OPEN TO EVERYONE  
ALL AGES  
ALL STANDARDS  
COME AND FIND YOUR VOICE



**11.30-12.15 'SENIOR SYMPHONY'**  
OPEN TO ALL INSTRUMENTALISTS  
(INC GUITAR & PIANO)  
GRADE 4-8  
INFORMAL PLAY THROUGH AT 12.45  
-PARENTS/FAMILY WELCOME



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