



Friday 5th June 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,

I hope that you all managed to enjoy the half-term break and made the most of the wonderful weather! We have had a busy start to our final term of the academic year and the children have, as always, returned with energy and enthusiasm.



Before half-term, Year Five enjoyed participating in a Science Fair at the Royal Latin School. The children experimented with a wide range of scientific equipment, working collaboratively to apply their investigative skills. They responded with excitement and curiosity exploring scientifically and the staff who accompanied the children were very proud of how they all conducted themselves, representing the school and our values beautifully throughout the morning.

Three members of Chess club, Ila, Jacob and Keegan, took part in the Megafinal of the Delancey U.K. Chess Challenge on Saturday 30th July at Cheyney School, Oxford. As Mr McClellan had predicted, the level of playing was very high, so it was certainly a challenge for all three of them. However, they kept their enthusiasm up during the long day (6 matches each) and were still smiling at the end. They will now have a national ranking that will be listed if they enter another Delancey tournament and they all returned with an impressive Certificate of Participation. Well done - we are very proud of you!

We are looking forward to inviting you to a **Maths Workshop** for parents and carers on **Thursday 9th June at 9:00am**. The session will last approximately one hour and will provide an overview of how addition and subtraction are taught across Years 1 to 6 in our school. We will explore the methods and strategies used at different stages of learning, helping you to understand the progression of mathematical skills as children move through the school.



During the session, we will also look at the development of the key vocabulary associated with addition and subtraction, enabling you to better support your child's learning at home. This is a valuable opportunity to gain insight into our approach to teaching mathematics, ask questions, and see how mathematical understanding is built over time.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing how we support children in developing confidence and fluency in mathematics.

Mrs Samantha Dimbleby

Headteacher

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Staffing Updates

At the end of the summer term we will be saying goodbye to two of our part-time teachers, Mrs Gurney and Mrs Walker as they move on to new opportunities, taking up positions at different schools. We would like to express our sincere thanks for their commitment, dedication and contribution to the children, families and wider school community over many years at Winslow CE School. Miss Willett will also be leaving us at the end of the year as she relocates to Manchester. We wish her every success and happiness in this exciting new chapter!

We are pleased to have successfully recruited Miss Stanton, Miss Stone and Mrs Cheevers who will be joining our team in September and we are looking forward to welcoming them to the school. Further information regarding staffing arrangements and class organisation for the new academic year will be shared with parents over the coming weeks when we have finalised arrangements.

Times Tables Rock Stars Day – Tuesday 10th June

We are excited to announce that we will be holding a Times Tables Rock Stars Day on Wednesday 10th June for all children in Key Stage 2.

This fun-filled day is designed to celebrate the importance of knowing multiplication tables, boost confidence in maths, and encourage children to learn their times tables in a lively and engaging way. The day will include a range of activities and games centered around multiplication, with plenty of opportunities for pupils to show off their skills.



To help get into the spirit of the day, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite rock star—think sunglasses, leather jackets, colourful clothes, or any creative outfit inspired by music stars! We do not want you to buy an outfit for this day - homemade outfits are perfect!

We look forward to a fantastic day of learning and fun. Thank you for your continued support in helping to make maths enjoyable and rewarding for our children.



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Child Accident Prevention Trust (CAPT) - Child Safety Week 2026

Did you know that most serious accidents to under 5s happen at home?

Fortunately, some of the worst accidents are the simplest to stop. And here are top tips and resources to help families learn how:

- [Threats to breathing](#)
- [Falls](#)
- [Poisoning](#)
- [Burns and scalds](#)
- [Drowning](#)



You can download the free [Parent Pack](#) with bite-sized facts and safety tips on the main accident risks to children, allowing you to make simple changes that can fit into busy routines.

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: Teddy & Lottie
Year 1: Rosina & Matilda
Year 2: Harry & Ayda
Year 3: Skye & Mia
Year 4: Emily & Jacob
Year 5: Ava-Rose & Grace
Year 6: Luca & Kitty



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: Teddy L, Khyber C, Milo T, Rufus H, Zara K, reya L, Jacob F, Darcie F, Jorge D, Ethan M, Mikey Q and Amelia H.

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

Attendance

Well done to 5GW who had the best whole class average attendance this week with 95.86%. Our average whole school attendance this week is 92.58%.

We kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring that your child attends school every day, on time, unless they are genuinely unwell. If your child is absent, please inform the school as soon as possible and provide a reason for their absence.

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Accelerated Readers

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

2OW
3RE
4VK
5GW
6MP



FOWS



FOWS are pleased to announce that the Father's Day/Someone Special gift sale is back! Children can select a secret gift on Friday 19th June for someone special on Father's Day. Payment can be made in advance no later than Friday 12th June using this [link](#) (scroll to the bottom of the page to be taken to the payment page). Cash payments will be accepted on the day but gifts will be subject to availability.



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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	

Drowning Prevention Week

The importance of water safety education has never been more urgent, especially following the devastating number of accidental drownings reported across the country over the recent bank holiday weekend alone. These tragic events are a stark reminder of why equipping our children with water survival skills is vital.

Please find attached to this week's Parent Mail a Newsletter from the Buck's School's Swimming Partnership created especially for parents to help families stay safe around water this summer.



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
HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May)		
wc Monday 1 st June – Friday 12 th June	Y4 Multiplication Checks	Year Four
Thursday 4 th June	SEND Clinic	Whole School
Tuesday 9 th June	Visiting Author - Reception and KS1	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 10 th June	Times tables Rock Stars Day in KS2	Year Three, Four, Five and Six
Wednesday 10 th June	Rounders Festival at Waddesdon School	Year Five and Year Six
w/c Monday 8 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check	Year One
Tuesday 9 th June (9:00am)	Maths Information Session for Parents	Whole School
Thursday 11 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford	Year Six
Friday 12 th June	Whole School Collective Worship at St Laurence Church	Whole School
wc Monday 15 th June	Refugee Week	Whole School
Thursday 18 th June	Reception Trip to Hogshaw Farm	Reception
Friday 19 th June	Year 2 Trip to Waddesdon Manor	Year Two
Friday 19 th June	FOWS – Father's Day Sale	Whole school
Thursday 25 th June	EYFS and KS1 Church Worship with parents – St Laurence Church	Reception, Year One and Year Two
Thursday 25 th June	Winslow Pupil Talent Show	Whole School
Friday 26 th June	FOWS Mufti-Day	Whole School
Friday 26 th June (3:30pm – 5:30pm)	FOWS Summer Fayre	Whole School
Monday 29 th June	Water Safety Assembly	Whole School
Tuesday 30 th June	EYFS and KS1 Sports Day (am)	Rainbows, Reception, Year One and Year Two
Wednesday 1 st July	KS2 Sports Day – Y3 & Y4 (am), Y5 & Y6 (pm)	Year Three, Year Four, Year Five and Year Six
Friday 3 rd July	Pupil Fundraising Day	Whole School
Tuesday 7 th July	Whole School Transition Day	Whole School
Tuesday 7 th July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 1, 3 and 5	Reception, Year Two and Year Four
Wednesday 8 th July (3:30pm)	Transition meeting for parents of children moving into Years 2, 4 and 6	Year One, Year Three and Year Five
Tuesday 7 th and Wednesday 8 th July	Y6 Buckinghamshire Transition Days	Year Six
Date TBC	Bridgebuilder – It's Your Move Y6	Year Six
Thursday 9 th July	Year Six Transition Games at Cottesloe School	Year Six
Friday 10 th July	End of year Reports to Parents	Whole School

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Monday 13 th July	Y6 Production (Afternoon performance)	Year Six
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 Production (Evening performance)	Year Six
Thursday 16 th July (9:00am)	Coffee Meeting for parents of SEND Children	Whole School
Monday 20 th July (Time TBC)	Y6 Leaver's Service at St Laurence Church	Year Six
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last Day of Term	Whole School
SUMMER HOLIDAY Children return on Thursday 3 rd September 2026		

This Term's Value is:

Love to learn

"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance"

Proverbs 1:5

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