



Friday 3rd July 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,

Across the school the children have enjoyed participating in Sports Day this week, enthusiastically competing against each other in their House Teams. It was wonderful to see so many determined faces as they charged towards the finishing line in the sprints, threw a javelin or jumped over the hurdles, competing in several events overall. Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped judge the races and to those who supported the children in the events. Congratulations to Wiltshire House who came first overall in Key Stage One.

Meanwhile, at the Key Stage Two Sports Events on Wednesday, the children demonstrated incredible sportsmanship, encouraging and supporting each other while competing for the winner's title. Congratulations to Anning House who came first overall for Lower Key Stage Two and Wiltshire House for Upper Key Stage Two. We would like to say a big 'thank you' to FOWS for providing refreshments and the children in Year Five and Six who helped at both events - you really did shine!

This year, both Year 5 classes have thoroughly enjoyed building links with two Year 5 classes from AVA Primary Academy in Aylesbury. The highlight of the project came this week when our Year 5 children visited AVA Primary Academy for their first face-to-face meeting.

This partnership began in the autumn term with a project exploring who we are and what is important to us. The children have reflected on their values, their local community, and what makes our school in Winslow special. They expressed their ideas through poems, letters and personalised bunting, which were exchanged between the two schools, giving the children a wonderful opportunity to learn about each other's lives and communities.



Throughout the year, the classes have met online, where they greeted one another, played games and began to build friendships despite the distance between them. They all enjoyed finally meeting each other face-to-face where they excitedly greeted one another, worked collaboratively and enjoyed playing together. New friendships quickly blossomed, making it a memorable and rewarding experience for everyone involved.

We are incredibly proud of how well the children embraced this opportunity and the enthusiasm, kindness and respect they showed throughout the project – another example of how our children 'let their light shine.'

You should have now received a ParentMail informing you of your child's new teacher for September 2026. 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.

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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 7th 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 8th 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.

Water Safety

This week, we were delighted to welcome instructors from Swan Pool, who delivered a fun and engaging water safety workshop for the children. They learned about the importance of staying safe in and around water and how they can enjoy swimming and other water activities safely.

The children were introduced to the four key water safety rules and took part enthusiastically, sharing ideas and asking thoughtful questions. It was a wonderful opportunity to learn valuable life skills, and we hope the children will continue these important conversations at home with their families.



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Pupil fundraising Day

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.

Library Books

Please could all Library Books be returned to the School Library by **Friday 10th July** so our library can be fully re-stocked, ready for the start of the autumn term.

Do remember that books that are not returned, are chargeable. Children will still have their Library time until they end of term where they will have story time and the opportunity to read and share donated books that they can take back to the classrooms.



For summer reading, Buckinghamshire Libraries are running a 'Summer Reading Challenge' called 'Read to the Beat'. This is a free, fun-packed way to keep children reading through the summer. Winslow and Buckingham Libraries are both running this scheme. For more information you can pop into your local library or go online at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

On Thursday 9th July after school, Mrs Strong will have some second hand books on the playground that you are welcome to take for your child/children.

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:

Year 1:

Year 2:

Year 3:

Year 4:

Year 5:

Year 6:



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:

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

Accelerated Readers

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

2OW
3RE
4VC
5RS
6CM



Attendance

Well done to **3CC** who had the best whole class average attendance this week with **98.57%**. Our average whole school attendance this week is **91.63%**.

Punctuality

Please help your child start the day positively by ensuring they arrive at school on time each morning. Being punctual helps children settle quickly, participate in morning learning activities, and develop good routines.

To support a calm and purposeful start to the school day, the playground gates will close promptly at 8:50am. Children arriving after this time will need to enter through the main school office and be signed in.

Thank you for your support in helping us ensure every child is ready to learn from the very start of the day.

Sun cream and sun hats



Now that summer has 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 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
Thursday 8 th July	Winslow's Got Talent Show	Whole School
Friday 10 th July	End of year Reports to Parents	Whole School
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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Class Teacher and Learning Support Assistants
September 2026

Year Group	Teacher	Learning Support Assistants
Reception	Miss Allen	Mrs Compton Miss Hopkins
	Mrs Hill	
	Mrs Rodriguez	
Year 1	Mrs Burman	Miss Spencer (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) Mrs Cumming (Mon, Tues, Wed) Mrs Nichols Mrs Picillo (Thurs, Fri)
	Miss Ayrey	
Year 2	Mrs Cheevers	Mrs Francis Mrs Teale Mrs Pegg Miss Stillwell Mrs Fairbridge
	Miss Stanton	
Year 3	Mrs Epps	Mrs Robins
	Mrs Richards	
	Mrs Collard	
Year 4	Miss Kelner	Mrs Lawrence Mrs Langley
	Miss Stone	
Year 5	Mrs Crawford	Mrs Hartshorn Mrs Rogers
	Mrs Shirley	
Year 6	Mr McConnell	Mrs Addley Mrs Heal Miss Cousins Mrs Volohovska
	Miss Moseley	
	Mrs Pool	
Rainbows		Mrs Curtis Mrs white Mrs Walton