



# Windmill Primary School

## Weekly Bulletin

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our new style weekly news bulletin which we hope will keep you up-to-date with all the exciting things happening at Windmill, as well as acting as a reminder for future events. Please feel free to get in touch to let us know what you think of the new format and frequency of communication.

The new academic year has got off to a flying start and all classes are enjoying their new topics. Year 1 are looking forward to some more animal visitors to help with their learning and Year 5 have their sights set on their trip to Hampton Court in the near future.

We are sad to report that Mrs Ruiz is leaving Windmill Primary School today. We send her our best wishes as she takes some time out to support her extended family in Peru. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Rowe into a more full time post however to fill the gap left by Mrs Ruiz.

**Sports, clubs and activities** – We have taken on board feedback about the need for more extra-curricular activities for our children and have a number of new clubs starting up soon. This week the children found out, in assembly, about Maths Club and violin lessons so look out for flyers coming home. In the future we hope to also offer cooking club, chess club and athletics club. Please see our clubs timetable below for what is currently on offer.

**Uniform and Equipment** – Thank you for ensuring that the children come to school smart and ready for learning in their uniforms. We do have high expectations when it comes to appearance and ask that you ensure that your child has their tie every day as it is an important part of school uniform.

Can we also remind you that children are allowed to wear earrings to school on the condition that they are plain studs which are removed for PE.

Please make sure that all items of clothing, water bottles and book bags are labelled with your child's name, we already have a large box of lost property in the front entrance, none of which is named.

**Communication** - We will strive to keep you informed with as much notice as possible of school events. There are a number of ways that we will do this:

- **Our school website** - this has the school calendar, dates, policies and guidance. It is useful for prospective parents and existing ones so do check for updates on a regular basis.
- **Newsletters** - Our weekly newsletter will keep you updated and informed about current and upcoming events.
- **Text messages/emails** - Through our text and email messaging service we aim to give reminders or notify you in case of school emergencies such as closures due to snow etc. Please make sure that your contact information is up to date so that you receive communications in a timely manner.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Clare Scragg  
Head of School



### INSET DAYS

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020



### Free School Meals

Is your child eligible for Free School Meals? Please check online at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/free-schoolmeals/juniorsecondary>

Please inform us if your child is currently eligible for **Free School Meals** even if they bring a packed lunch and choose not have a school meal provided. Please also inform us if your child no longer receives **Free School Meals** but has done so within the last 6 years.



## We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's Kit for Schools.

Help us collect 300 stickers to complete our poster and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit plus a chance to win

# £20,000!



## DIARY DATES

### October

- 9 Quirks Animals visiting Year 1
- 18 Y4 Family Assembly, 9.00am, all welcome
- 22 Y4 'I am Warrior' day
- 24 Y6 Evacuee day
- 24 FOWP discos (further details to follow)
- 25 Reading Open Morning (further details to follow)

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov**  
Half Term Holiday

### November

- 6 Y2 Medieval morning
- 11 – 15 Anti-bullying week
- 11 Y5 trip to Hampton Court
- 12 Parents evening
- 13 Individual photo day
- 13 Parents evening
- 14 NSPCC assembly
- 15 NSPCC sponsored event
- 15 Flu vaccination day
- 19 Prospective parent tour, 9.30am
- 22 Y3 Family Assembly, 9.00am, all welcome
- 25 Starlab planetarium visiting Year 5
- 28 Prospective parent tour, 2.00pm
- 29 FOWP non-uniform day

*We are delighted to let you know that, following our request, the Traffic Management Department at Wokingham Borough Council have agreed to place speed limit signs at the junction of Fernlea Drive and Woosehill Spine Road.*



**YEAR 4 Class Assembly**  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October**  
**9.00am in the School Hall**



**Come and find out what Year 4 have been learning about this term**

### PROSPECTIVE NEW PARENTS

We are holding open school sessions for prospective new parents whose children are due to start school in September 2020. If you know anyone who might be interested in a place at Windmill Primary School then please encourage them to come along and find out for themselves what we are like.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – 9.30am  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 – 2.00pm

### Meet our new team of responsible school helpers:

**Autumn 1 Prefects** – Rose and Akshay

**House Captains** – Lambourne: Harri and Brooke, Kennet: Ryan and Rosie, Emmbrook: Molly and Seb, Loddon: Hailey and Jamie

**School Councillors** – Harry W, Eva, Tommy, Joanne, Jacob S, Olivia G, Charlie L, Rose, Lola, Jayden W and Claudia

**Librarians** – Jenson, Sahannah, Mila, Olivia M, Alexandrine, Evie B, Aiden RB and Wiktorja

**Digital Assembly Assistants** – Charlie L, Keira McM, Nicholas, Olivia G, Filip, Florence, Simi and Zara

**Playground Leaders** – Isabella, Olly, Georgia, Miia, Arnav and Ben

# HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Over the next two weeks our whole school assemblies are focusing on harvest and being thankful for what we have. With this in mind we would like your help to collect donations for the Wokingham Foodbank. Below is a list of the things they are in need of. All donations need to be brought to the school office or handed in at your child's classroom by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

Cereal	Rice	Tinned tomatoes
Lentils/pulses	Pasta sauce	Tinned meat
Tinned vegetables	Tea/coffee	Tinned fruit
Biscuits	UHT milk	Fruit juice

## Extra-Curricular Activities

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Arts Hub Years 3 – 6 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Miss Shuman By appointment	Piano Lessons All year groups 20 minute sessions Provider: Toni Guest 07970216006 <a href="mailto:toniguestpiano@gmail.com">toniguestpiano@gmail.com</a>	Tennis Club Years 3 – 6 7.40am to 8.40am Provider: Pop Up Tennis 07434 007464 <a href="mailto:michael@popuptennis.co.uk">michael@popuptennis.co.uk</a>	Football Club Years 1 – 6 3.15pm to 4.30pm Provider: Soccerinschools 07786074344 <a href="mailto:info@soccerinschools.co.uk">info@soccerinschools.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.soccerinschools.co.uk">www.soccerinschools.co.uk</a>	Lego Club Years 1 – 2 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Year 6 children By appointment
Board Games Years 1 – 2 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Mrs Speed By appointment	Violin Lessons Years 2 – 6 30 minute group sessions Provider: Berkshire Maestros <a href="http://www.bershiremaestros.org.uk">www.bershiremaestros.org.uk</a>	Piano Lessons All year groups 20 minute sessions Provider: Toni Guest 07970216006 <a href="mailto:toniguestpiano@gmail.com">toniguestpiano@gmail.com</a>	Netball Club Years 3 – 6 3.15pm to 4.30pm Provider: Soccerinschools 07786074344 <a href="mailto:info@soccerinschools.co.uk">info@soccerinschools.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.soccerinschools.co.uk">www.soccerinschools.co.uk</a>	Library Club Years 1 – 6 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Year 5 children By appointment
	Tennis Club Years 1 – 2 3.15pm to 4.00pm Provider: Pop Up Tennis 07434 007464 <a href="mailto:michael@popuptennis.co.uk">michael@popuptennis.co.uk</a>	Spanish Club All year groups 12.30pm to 1.00pm Provider: BilinguaSing 07810751645 <a href="mailto:kate@bilinguasing.com">kate@bilinguasing.com</a> <a href="http://www.bilinguasing.com">www.bilinguasing.com</a>		Multi Skills Years 1 – 6 3.15pm to 4.30pm Provider: Soccerinschools 07786074344 <a href="mailto:info@soccerinschools.co.uk">info@soccerinschools.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.soccerinschools.co.uk">www.soccerinschools.co.uk</a>
		Arts Hub Years 1 - 2 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Miss Shuman By appointment		
		Film Club Years 1 – 6 12.40pm to 1.00pm Provider: Mrs Scragg By appointment		