

Monday 6th March 2023

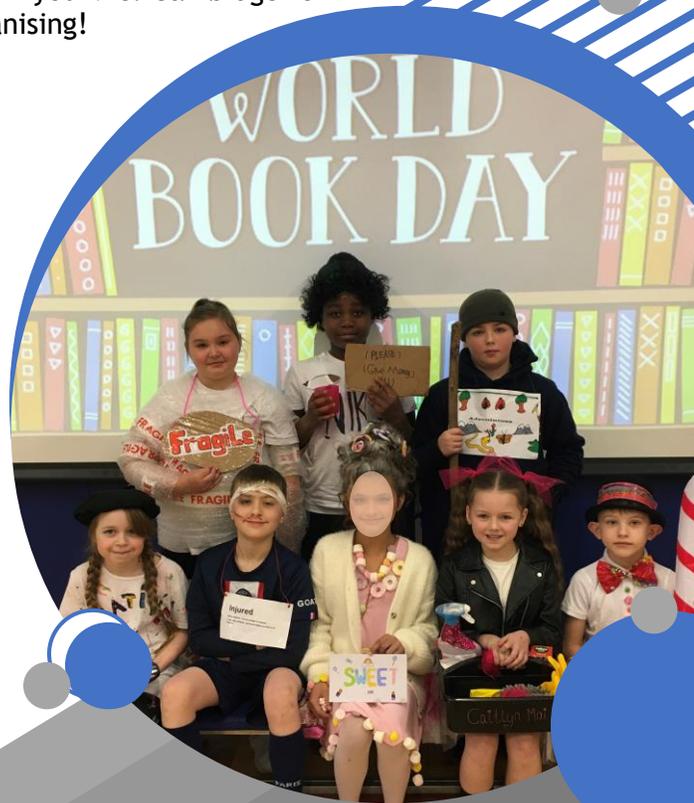
A highlight from last week...

World Book Day was a huge success at Windmill!

When we have said to dress up as a book character in previous years, we have seen that some children and families have found that hard. By choosing to dress up as an adjective, we have made it accessible, inclusive and affordable and loads more children have joined in as a result.

The picture shows the KS2 winners, with words like 'sweet', 'poor', 'fragile', 'spotless', 'injured' and 'adventurous'.

Thank you Mrs. Cambridge for organising!



Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

As we enter the second week of this shorter five-week half term, please make sure you attend the parent meetings that are being scheduled.

Have a look at our website for more information about why meetings between parents and teachers are important:

[Meeting with Parents | Windmill Primary School](#)

Of course, you are always welcome to ask your child's teacher for a meeting if you ever need it.

We say that class teachers are available by the class doors each morning for no more than 30 seconds per parent who needs them. Otherwise we can schedule after-school appointments. Just use ClassDojo to make contact.

The best progress at school seems to be made by children whose parents are showing an interest in their education and having conversations with them about their interests and friendships.

The five strands of our strategic plan are:

- **Metacognition** (children understanding their learning journey) '**We learn well**'
- **Interaction** (all of us speaking, listening and communicating effectively) '**We speak well**'
- **Writing** (using extensive vocabulary, correct grammar and punctuation) '**We write well**'
- **Collaboration** (partnering with others to improve what we do) '**We work together**'
- **Aspiration** (bringing the best out in each other and aiming high) '**We are inspired**'



What's going on?

To help you keep up with everything, the office staff and teaching staff will use this page for reminders and prompts!

Other news and notices

[Breakfast bagel club now starts at the slightly later time of 8:35am](#)

Children arriving between 8:20am and 8:35am will be charged 50p.

Lost Property

By main office every Tuesday from 7:45am until 3:45pm.

Mufti Day - Friday 24th March

in return children bringing in chocolate bar /egg. Week commencing 27th March we will be selling raffle tickets at 50p per ticket. The raffle will be drawn by Team Safe on Friday afternoon.

Wednesday 8th March is International Women's Day.

 It's also the day where the #ThisGirlCan campaign runs some of their biggest virtual events. Miss Panter is hosting a football session at lunchtime strictly for girls to celebrate International Women's Day and girls participating in sport.

Term Dates: Break up - Friday 31st March Return Tuesday 18th April. BANK HOLIDAY ON MONDAY 8th MAY

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Create a dinosaur diorama (Dinosaur World) in a box, for our Dinosaur Challenge Competition. Info on ClassDojo

Year 1

- Return parents appointment slips if you haven't yet done.

Year 2

- Log onto Learning with Parents to start task linked to money.

Year 3

- We are studying plants discussing conditions for growth. Identify the structure of plants when out and about.

Year 4

- Practise telling the time to one minute intervals at home!

Year 5

- Year 2 are selling popcorn on a Wednesday. Cost is 50p via ParentPay.

Year 6

- We have been looking at measures, bake a cake using scales for ingredients or a measuring jug to fill containers to measure capacity or a tape measure for length of objects around the house!

Clubs

(Priority for clubs is given to invited children, based on need)

Monday:

- Year 3-6 Girls Football
- Year 5 Kwik Cricket
- KS2 Running Club

Tuesday:

- Year 3-6 Boccia/NAK Inclusive
- Year 3-6 Choir
- Year 3-6 Inclusive Football
- Year 6 SATS Booster

Wednesday:

- Year 5-6 Gymfinity
- Year 3-4 Boys Football
- Year 3-4 Tag Rugby

Thursday:

- Year 3-4 Dance GemAcademy
- Year 1-2 Football
- Year 1-2 Kwik Cricket
- Year 6 SATS Booster

Friday:

Year 5-6 Football

Latest House Point totals:

- Henmoor 9984, Cluddley 9951, Upton 9945 and Rowton 8864.

Please don't forget to connect with your child's class on ClassDojo and set up ParentPay, we use these to communicate with you all the time. Ask for help at the office if you need to.

10 things every Windmill parent/carer should know...

8. EYFS stands for Early Years Foundation Stage. It is basically our Nursery and Reception classes. Gill Lambert is our EYFS Lead and she has masterminded the improvement of the outdoor environment, with new surfacing, fencing, play equipment and furniture. More to come...!