

Monday 17th July 2023



Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

It's the last Windmill Weekly of the year and I would like to say another thank you for your support.

Because of brilliant teachers and brilliant parents and carers, Windmill children are thriving. They are a pleasure to know and if they stick to our school values, they will continue to be successful.

All children have spent the morning with their new class teacher today and will bring home a slip of paper that lets you know who their teacher is. We are very confident that all children have been carefully placed in a class in which they will continue to thrive. If there is a problem, please let us know, but please bear in mind that we are unlikely to make changes.

We have had a few cases of children riding bikes and scooters into other people, so we will now say no riding bikes or scooters near other people. Please help with this.



A highlight from last week...

Year 2 children visited Shrewsbury Muslim Centre as part of our school's 'deep and diverse experiences' programme.

The children were really well behaved, listening well and showing politeness, and they also impressed the people at the centre with their knowledge of Islam.

It's great that the children's learning in RE has been memorable. It helps them to live out the British Values of 'understanding faiths and beliefs' and 'mutual respect'.

Thank you to Mr Butterworth and the Year 2 staff for taking them.



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 to remind and prompt you about school events!

Other news and notices

[Free breakfast bagel club starts at 8:35am.](#) Children arriving between 8:20am and 8:35am will be charged 50p.

[Lost Property](#) - Always displayed by the main office on Tuesdays from 7:45am until 3:45pm.

[End of School Day](#) - Please can we ask families not to access the playground or wait outside their child's classrooms at the end of the day until 3:10pm. This is to ensure the safeguarding of all children. Thank you for your understanding.

Term Dates:

BREAK UP FRIDAY 21ST JULY AND RETURN WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2023.

[School is closed Monday 4th September and Tuesday 5th September for staff training.](#)

Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 1445, Cluddley 13607, Upton 13137 and Rowton 12834.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Have a fantastic holiday, practise counting, your phonics and keep writing!

Year 1

- Remember your reading books for next week as we will be collecting them in for the Summer Holidays.

Year 2

- Have a go at using this website to practise your 3 and 4 times tables <https://www.timestables.co.uk/>

Year 3

- We would love children to have fun and keep their skills of reading, writing and maths. You could plan to join a library, get a writing notebook to complete a diary and practise times tables.

Year 4

- Please can you bring all reading books back ready for the holidays!

Year 5

- Rounders tournament on Tuesday, please wear PE kit.

Year 6

- Rounders tournament on Tuesday, please wear PE kit.

Clubs

(Priority for clubs is given to invited children, based on their needs and interests)

Monday:

- Year 3-6 Girls Football
- KS2 Hockey
- Running Club - no club until September

Tuesday:

- KS2 Tennis
- KS2 Choir - no club until September
- KS1 Mixed Football

Wednesday:

- KS2 Gymfinity
- Year 3-4 Football
- KS2 Netball

Thursday:

- Year 5-6 GemAcademy Dance
- KS2 Mixed Ability Football
- KS2 Rounders
- KS1 Multisports

Friday:

- Year 5-6 Football
- KS1 Cooking Club - no club until September

Clubs - on the last day of term there will be no clubs running.

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...

1. Our school vision is **IGNITE** (Include everyone; Guarantee opportunities; Nurture aspirations; Inspire each other; Try everything; Enable independence).
- We already do all these things, but we keep trying to do them even better!