

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024



# Windmill Weekly

## A highlight from last week...

As well as Year 6 children having two secondary school transition days, Year 4 visiting the Museum of Iron and Year 2 visiting a mosque in Shrewsbury (all of these happened last week), we were delighted that so many of you came to support our Summer Fayre on Saturday.

It was a very successful event, despite the rain forcing us indoors, and we managed to raise around £1000. Thank you all for your support!

This is particularly impressive, given that Mrs Morris only took over the Chairperson role a few weeks ago, and we do really need some more parents to get involved.

## Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

Thank you to all those that completed the survey I shared last week.

There are some really positive results to share with you:

- 98% say their child is happy at Windmill
- 100% say their child is safe, and that any reports of bullying are dealt with, with effective communication to parents
- 100% say they would recommend Windmill to other parents/carers

There are some things I think we can better at too:

- 1 person said they didn't feel that we dealt well with a concern they raised
- 6 people said they don't know what their child is learning about
- 2 people think that we don't believe in their child and have high expectations for 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

**Lost Property** - Always displayed by the main office on Tuesdays from 7:45am until 3:45pm.

**Tesco** - Reminder about the Tesco blue token funding starting July in 9 local stores.

**Book Fair** - Purchases will be available until Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. All books are 3for2 with many costing less than £5!

**ParentPay** - Please ensure that you log in to ParentPay regularly to prevent missing important information.

**Dinner Money** - The price for primary meals has increased by 20p per meal to **£2.70** per meal since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

**Dogs On School Grounds** - just a reminder dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

### Term Dates:

Break up Friday 19th July

Return to school Wednesday 4th September 2024.

### Things to remember/help with

#### Reception

- Children remember to change your bedtime reading book in class.

#### Year 1

- Practise quick recall of number bonds with this game <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

#### Year 2

- Practise your multiplication facts of 2, 3, 5 and 10. Use the Top Marks game 'Hit the Button' to practise your pace.

#### Year 3

- Don't forget our outdoor day on Thursday.

#### Year 4

- Please check at home for any reading books you may have.

#### Year 5

- We have been learning about different types of triangles. Can you find any triangles at home? Are they a scalene, an isosceles, or an equilateral?

#### Year 6

- Don't forget Year 6 Disco - 18<sup>th</sup> July - log onto ParentPay for details.

### Clubs

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

#### Monday:

- Year 3 and 4 Football
- FunZone (Community lead)
- Year 1 and 2 Mini Tennis

#### Tuesday:

- Year 5 and 6 Boys Football
- Year 3 and 4 Tennis
- Choir

#### Wednesday:

- Year 3 to 6 mixed ability Football Fundamentals
- Year 3 to 6 Athletics

#### Thursday:

- Year 5 and 6 Rounders
- Year 1 and 2 Football

#### Friday:

- Year 3 to 6 girls Football
- Year 3 to 6 GemDanceAcademy (last session)

**Latest House Point totals:**  
Henmoor 7322, Cluddley 6275, Upton 6846 and Rowton 6584.

**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...

6. We are really good at caring for every single child at Windmill to the best of our ability.

We were thrilled to hear a parent describe our school as:

*'An oasis, wrapped in a fortress, full of the kindest staff'*