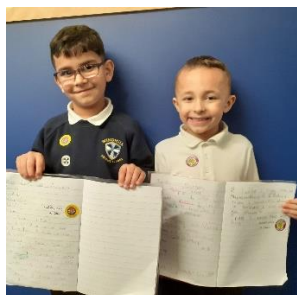


24th February 2020



This week's shining examples of Windmill Values and Vision are Azam and Freddie, who have been **aiming high, doing their best, not giving up and believing in themselves**. They were very proud to come and show me their writing and they **inspired me to work harder too!** Well done for getting R5 boys 😊

Windmill Values and Vision

'Every day is a new day'	I	Include everyone
'Be there for each other'	G	Guarantee opportunities
'Aim high'	N	Nurture aspirations
'Do your best'	I	Inspire each other
'Don't give up'	T	Try everything
'Believe in yourself'	E	Encourage independence

What's on this week?

Monday 24 th February	Tuesday 25 th February	Wednesday 26 th February	Thursday 27 th February	Friday 28 th February
KS2 - Boccia/NAK Reception - ABC's	KS2 - Dodgeball KS2 - Arts and Crafts KS2 - Reading Extension Choir KS2 - Cooking Club KS2 Cross Country	Young Cadets Passing Out Parade - 1:30pm Yr2 Trip to Stokesay Castle KS2 - Dance Club Yr 1 and 2 Football	UKS2 - Maths Challenge Yr 3 and 4 Football Academy Yr 1 and 2 Gymnastics - CANCELLED THIS WEEK Yr 6 Reading Boosters - 3:15pm-4:15pm - Classrooms	Yr 5 and 6 Football Academy Girls Football
Year 6 Mathletics Booster Classes - every morning in Class 13 - 8:15am - 8:45am				
All after-school clubs finish at 4:15pm. Please collect your child promptly from the back door (by the hexagonal shelter)				

Headteacher's Report

Welcome back after the February half-term break!

We're back at school now until Friday 3rd April and then there is a PD day on Monday 20th April.

I'm pleased to say that we will shortly be releasing our new promotional school video and we plan to share this with you at the same time as launching our new school website.

I would like to show the new website to some parents/carers before it launches, so please feel free to come along to a session on Thursday afternoon - 2:30pm until 3:15pm in the Lamputt Room - when I will ask you to have a look at it and make any suggestions for improving it so it is simple to get the information that you would often be looking for.



Stars of the Week



Pupil Stars: Leamone, Amber, Riley, Maya, Lottie-Mae, Ava, Amana, Joshua, Kacee, Nathan, Chase, Artur, Marie and Aleks.

Staff Star: Miss Lambert

Well done to last week's stars, who received special stickers and lovely comments from their teacher in Friday's assembly.

Being chosen as Star of the Week is equivalent to R6 - the highest reward a pupil can earn!

Stars are also recorded in our Golden Book.

Attendance

Our attendance target for the whole school is 96% (classes above 96% are shown below in green). We let the classes know what their attendance % was each week and reward the winners with extra play time on the play parks!

Well done to last week's winners: Class 5 out of the EYFS and KS1 classes and Class 12 out of the KS2 classes.

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88.33	89.17	94.81	97.78	99.62	97.6	94.64	93.33	92.61	95.38	93.1	98.0	89.6	93.21

We still need new Windmill governors!!

School Governing Boards are made up of people from all walks of life and many have a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences. They are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the school and are the link between the school and the community it serves.

We are looking for more members to join our Board and would like to hear from anyone who has:

- An interest in the performance of the school
- The confidence to ask questions and join in debate
- A willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- Time to spare and a willingness to work well with others

We need you to be committed to 2 meetings each term and to reading the documents provided before meetings.

If you think this is something that might interest and would like to learn more, please contact Mr Gibbons at school. You can also contact me, through the school, and I would be happy to answer any of your questions.

Graham Parkinson, Chair of Governors

Communication with School

We had a couple of disappointed children who missed the deadline for returning slips/money for the Valentine disco. We do try to communicate with families as much as possible through ParentPay, Class Dojo and the Windmill Weekly. Can we ask families to read the Windmill Weekly to ensure that you keep up to date with all school news and deadlines. If you have any suggestions for how we can communicate any more effectively, please let us know.

Pupils Arriving Late

Please ensure if pupils arrive late for registration, they are escorted to the school office and signed in. Thank you.

Year 6 Young Cadets Passing Out Parade - Wednesday 26th February at 1:30pm

Parents of Year 6 pupils who have attended the weekly Cadets with the local CSO are invited to attend their child's passing out parade and to see them receive their certificates. Refreshments will be available from 1:00pm.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

This year World Book Day falls on Thursday 5th March. To celebrate, we would like children to come into school dressed as a character from a book (not a film).

We would love to be able to expand the selection of books children are able to take home, so we would be very grateful if on World Book Day children could bring in a children's book that they have already read at home to donate to the school. Children of all ages will be able to access these books in reading corners and use them for their take home reading books.

During the day children will experience a range of different reading activities from different teachers in the school. There will also be an assembly where children can take part in a costume parade.

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day and promoting a love of reading within our school. We appreciate your support in making this day a success.

Year 5 Visit to St. Mary's Church, Madeley - Thursday 12th March

Year 5 will be walking to St. Mary's Church, Madeley on Thursday 12th March to learn more about the Catholic beliefs and practices. There will be no charge for this visit. Please see Class Dojo for full information and details of the trip.

Sports Relief - Friday 13th March

We are supporting Sports Relief this year and on Friday 13th March children are invited to wear their trainers for the day and a 50p donation.

Year 1 Easter Workshop - Thursday 19th March



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Year 1 will be visiting the Sambrook Centre on Thursday 19th March to take part in an Easter Workshop.

Year 5 Visit to Holy Trinity Church, Dawley - Tuesday 24th March

Year 5 have been invited to join the Holy Trinity Church in Dawley at a special outdoor Easter Event. Both classes will walk to the church and return in time for lunch. The consent for this visit is covered by the annual forms completed in September.

The children will need to wear school uniform with trainers in their bags to change into for the walk and a warm coat.

We will leave school at 10.00am and return at approximately 12.30pm.

Year 5 Coffee Morning - 31st March 2020 - 9:30am-10:30am

Year 5 invite the families of Y5 children to a special coffee morning on Tuesday 31st March 9.30am -10.30am.

Please come and join us so we can share our hard work with you.

Year 4 Outdoor Residential Trip (Outback to Basics) - July 2020

The deadline has now passed for booking a new place on the residential trip. Parents who have paid a deposit can now start to make payments towards the balance via ParentPay.

Storage Trays

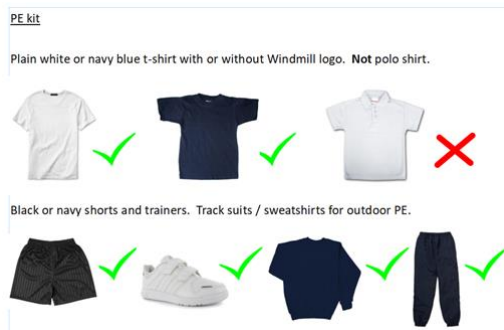
We have a number of surplus storage trays in school we no longer require, which are free to anyone who can make use of them. They will be available until Friday.



School Uniform

We have noticed a decline in children wearing school uniform. **Just to remind everyone that trainers, leggings and boots are not in line with the uniform policy.** This policy can be located on the school website.

PE Kits



Some children regularly do not have their PE kits in school. We would like children to bring their PE kit into school on Mondays and take it home on Fridays. Due to the cold weather please send your child with appropriate outdoor sport clothing e.g plain black or navy jogging bottoms. We will phone families whose children have incorrect kit or no kit. Earrings must be covered with micropore tape/plasters (supplied by parents) or taken out and long hair must be tied up.

There are always lots of sporting opportunities within school and its important your child has their PE kit in ALL week to make the most of these.

Year 6 Booster Classes

All Year 6 pupils are encouraged to attend!

Mathletics -	Every day from 8:15am - 8:45am	Class 13
Arithmetic Booster Classes -	Every Tuesday from 3:15pm - 4:15pm	Year 6 classrooms
Reading Booster Classes -	Every Thursday from 3:15pm - 4:15pm	Year 6 classrooms

School Dinners

School meal payments are now made through ParentPay. We no longer accept cash through the office and the E-payment facility through Telford and Wrekin has been withdrawn. The cost of school dinners is **£2.30** per meal. ***Please remember that payments need to be made in advance or on the day of meals being taken.***

The cost of school dinners increases on 1st April 2020, from £2.30 up to £2.35

Breakfast Club

Please make sure all breakfast club payments are made via ParentPay in advance of children attending or on the morning of them attending, thank you.

Healthy Snack

Children invited to buy cereal bars every Wednesday as a healthy snack. Cereal bars are charged at 50p each and payments can only be accepted in class when you drop your child off in a morning. **We do NOT accept payments in the school office.**

Emergency Contacts

If you have recently moved house or changed contact details please inform the office as soon as possible. It is essential that we have the correct contact information on file.

Lost Property

Please ensure all uniform, water bottles, shoes, PE kits and trainers are marked with children's names. A number of items go missing or get muddled up and it is much easier to sort out/find items when they are labelled. We put out all lost property every week in the entrance foyer by the front office. It is displayed between 3:00pm on Mondays to 9:30am on Tuesdays. Items unclaimed will be donated to charity.



Dogs and Pets

Please can we remind families that dogs (or any other pets) are not allowed to be brought onto the school site (with the exception of Assistance Dogs). Thank you for your understanding.

Vehicle Gates

Please do not walk through the vehicle gates. They are for visitors and staff in vehicles only. These gates operate on a sensor and may shut suddenly when not detecting a vehicle. Please always walk round to the pedestrian gate and consider the safety of yourself and child/children. There was an incident in another Telford school about three years ago when a child was trapped in a moving gate.



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Term Dates (and other big events)

Friday 3rd April
Monday 20th April
Tuesday 21st April

Last day of term
PD Day
Children return to school



Coffee Morning



Meet other Parents, make friends



Share ideas on how we can make
Windmill Primary even better



Get advice around parenting and
support



Find out what's going on at
Windmill and in the local
community



A chance to relax and recover
from the school run

First session 9am—11am
Friday 28th February 2020

Parents, Carers, Grandparents and
younger siblings welcome

For further information
please speak to Mrs Coles



GET YOUR KIT ON AND GET INVOLVED

WHAT

Children can wear their trainers!

50p Donation

WHEN

Friday 13th March

WHERE

Windmill Primary

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IT'S GAME
ON
9-13 MARCH

