

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023



# Windmill Weekly

## Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

We're nearly at the end of a really special school year. A year in which we have gained and lost.

We received an official 'Good' rating from Ofsted in October which, without wanting to sound arrogant, we feel we already knew. We encouraged Mr Millington to pursue an aspiration of his to become a headteacher, so we are saying an official goodbye to him on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July when he will be in school all day.

As I look ahead to next year, I am confident we will go from strength to strength. I feel that because of two main things: a great team of school staff and you - really positive and supportive parents and carers. Thank you!

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.



## A highlight from last week...

There were many exciting things happening in school last week, but the highlight has to be Summer Fair that raised around £2500 for school funds - money that will be spent on making all children's experience of school even better.

Special thanks to Mrs Coles for taking the lead role in organising the fair, and we're delighted to say that Mrs Coles will be forming a PTA (Parent and Teacher Association) for next year, with plans for various social events and fundraisers.

Let the staff in the school office know if you're interested in joining in.



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.

[A massive thank you and well done to everyone who supported the Summer Fair on Saturday.](#) Particular credit to Mrs Coles for masterminding the whole thing! We estimate that around £2500 was raised.

### Term Dates:

**BREAK UP FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY AND RETURN WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023.**

### Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 14329, Cluddley 13486, Upton 13011 and Rowton 12727.

***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...

*10. Rewards and Consequences (R's and C's) are shared with you on ClassDojo, so you should know if your child is getting positive recognition for their attitude and behaviour. We put the emphasis on the positives, and C's are there to warn children away from the negatives.*

### Things to remember/help with

#### Reception

- Please keep practising your green and red words at home.

#### Year 1

- Please check you have given consent for our church visit on Tuesday.

#### Year 2

- Go onto ParentPay and give consent for the trip to the Mosque on Wednesday.

#### Year 3

- We are learning all about events and actions in computing to program our own sprites. You can access this from a device at home too by visiting <https://scratch.mit.edu>

#### Year 4

- There will be no pre teach after the 14th July!

#### Year 5

- As part of our PSHE learning, we have been thinking about what we are looking forward to next year. Please speak to your child/ren about this.

#### Year 6

- Please check Dojo for end of year events.

### 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.**

