

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## A highlight from last week...

Nearly every single child in school received their flu vaccine last week.

Nurses visiting Windmill said the children were excellent and they thought the whole process went very well.

This nasal vaccine has been given to millions of children around the world and has an excellent safety record. It is painless and easy to have.

Thank you families for your support with this.



# Windmill Weekly

## Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

This week is Anti-Bullying Week and I would encourage you to have a look at the official website, as well as our own school's bullying webpage:

[Anti-Bullying Week 2021: One Kind Word \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

[Bullying | Windmill Primary School](#)

It is really important that we use the word 'bullying' properly... sometimes we say someone is bullying someone, when actually what is happening is that children have had some trouble with someone.

We say bullying is:

*when someone wants to hurt someone else...  
(their feelings or their body)*

*...and they do it over and over again  
(on more than just one day)*

We find that bullying rarely happens here, but if it ever does, we take it very seriously. We investigate every allegation and we always involve parents if we find bullying has been happening.



## This term, we're working on...

- Helping children to love Reading, because Reading is the key that unlocks life's doors
- Developing Early Years indoor and outdoor areas, to enable children's independence
- Building a database of all children's interests and abilities, so we can nurture them well
- Encouraging children to use their fluency in Maths to solve new problems

## 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

#### Children in Need-

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need day. This year we will be attempting to raise £366 (there are 366 children who come to Windmill Primary School). If we are successful in receiving donations of this amount, Mr Gibbons will be going in a wheelie bin full of cold gravy!

We are currently half-way to meeting the target...!

So, dig deep everybody and make your donations via ParentPay!



Maisie Jacob in class 6 was specially selected to lay a wreath at the Remembrance Parade, as part of her rainbows group. A fantastic way to show respect and think of others - Well done Maisie!

### Things to remember/help with

#### Reception

- Practise fastening coats independently.

#### Year 1

- Practise counting up to 20 at home to reinforce their maths work in class.

#### Year 2

- Addition and subtraction released on Learning with Parents.

#### Year 3

- Practise our 6 'Get Spelling' words - famous, decide, describe, mention, question, surprise.

#### Year 4

- Practise your times tables using your multiplication square.

#### Year 5

- Keep practising square and prime numbers.

#### Year 6

- Can you complete some independent research on the Victorians?

#### Weekly Safety Message:

Ask your child what they would do if they saw a child being abusive to another child? Would they know what might make it bullying? See the school website.

### Clubs

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

Monday:

- Y1 Multi-Skills - **cancelled**
- Y2 Football

Tuesday:

- Change for Life
- Y3 Football
- Y3-6 Choir

Wednesday:

- Y3-4 Netball
- Y5-6 Gymnastics
- Y6 Football

Thursday:

- Y3-4 Dance
- Y4 Football
- Y3-4 Archery
- Y3-6 Running

Friday:

- Y5 Football

#### Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 1600, Cluddley 1504, Upton 1438 and Rowton 1229.

#### Parent Meetings

We are setting up video parent meetings next week - on Friday for most classes. You will hear more about these later this week.

**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...!