

Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022



# Windmill Weekly

## Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

Welcome to 2022 everybody!

I hope it will be a great year for all of us.

We always watch, listen and take action according to the latest government guidance on keeping children and staff safe during the global pandemic, so we don't know exactly what this year will look like.

We hope it will involve us being able to involve you more in your children's education and school experiences. We would love for you to be able to visit to see your children's classes in action, to be audiences and supporters for school performances and sports days.

We expect Ofsted (school inspectors) will want to visit us this year and we actually look forward to them coming. We want to show them the excellent work that goes on here and how well Windmill children are looked after and educated.

I hope that we can count on your support too. I would like you to know that if there's anything you feel we could be doing better with, I would like you to tell me. I will listen and I will act. Don't delay, tell me today!

## A highlight from last week...

It was a case of 'will it... won't it...?' but it did happen! Year 6 did go to the ball.

Well, they went to the Cinderella pantomime, not the ball, but you see what we did there, don't you?

Thank you so much to Stirchley and Brookside Parish Council who gave us tickets for the Year 6 children to visit Wolverhampton Grand Theatre on Friday.

Sorry to families that arrangements were a bit last minute and for coach delays, but at least nobody turned into pumpkins!



## 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

#### **Year 6 - Arthog Meeting**

There is a meeting arranged in Class 14 after school (3:20pm) on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January for more information regarding the trip to Arthog.

#### **Choir - KS2**

There is a taster session for KS2 children (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) on Tuesday after school until 4:15pm - everyone welcome.

#### **Intervention Meetings**

We care about the welfare of all Windmill children and we may ask to meet/talk with you about a concern. These meetings will always be supportive, so don't worry. They might be about:

- Reports of actual or virtual violence in the home
- Attendance or lateness (beginning or end of day)
- Inappropriate clothing (dirty/too big or small/ broken/not school uniform)
- Unhealthy diet
- Poor hygiene
- Lack of support for child's learning
- Communicating with teacher
- Discipline at home
- Child spending time with inappropriate role models

***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...

3. *Deep and Diverse experiences are all guaranteed for every child, no matter what the cost. They are our supplement to the National Curriculum and each child gets a passport to record each experience. For more information, see our website: [www.windmillprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.windmillprimaryschool.co.uk)*

### Things to remember/help with

#### Reception

- It is cold outside! Please remember to bring in hats and gloves for outdoor play.

#### Year 1

- Children are to attend school in correct Windmill PE kit every Wednesday and Thursday.

#### Year 2

- Practise identifying o'clock, half past, quarter past and to on an analogue clock at home.

#### Year 3

- Children need to have their reading book with them daily.

#### Year 4

- Please can children bring PE kit on Thursday and Friday.

#### Year 5

- We're having a focus on uniform. Please can all children come in correct PE kit.

#### Year 6

- We had a great time watching Cinderella at the theatre this week!

### Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 2300, Cluddley 2140,  
Upton 2110 and Rowton 1698.

### Clubs

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

#### **Monday:**

- KS1 Kwik Cricket
- Y2 Football

#### **Tuesday:**

- PPG/SEN Boccia/NAK
- Y3 Football
- Y3-6 Choir

#### **Wednesday:**

- KS2 Kwik Cricket
- Y3-4 Gymnastics
- Y6 Football

#### **Thursday:**

- Y5-6 Dance
- Y4 Football
- Y5-6 Hockey

#### **Friday:**

- Y5 Football

### Weekly Safety Message:

If your child is cycling or scooting to and from school, how visible are they to others (cars and pedestrians) at this time of year? Can you give them lights and reflective clothing to help? If not, ask us and we might be able to help.