



Monday 21st March 2022

Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

Firstly, apologies from me that I didn't manage to get my bit of last week's Windmill Weekly done in time, so we had to delay its publication to this week. That obviously means we have mixed in some of the information from last week into this week's issue.

Secondly, you may remember that I shared some sad news with you recently about Mrs Kemp, who had been unwell in hospital and sadly passed away. Thank you so much for your kind messages of condolence on ClassDojo. There was a funeral (or rather 'celebration of life') service on Friday and it was a fitting tribute to how much she meant to so many people, including to so many of her colleagues past and present. Thank you to Mrs Coles, who did so much of the organising from a Windmill perspective. We will honour Mrs Kemp by dedicating our Summer Fayre to her and by introducing an annual Kath Kemp's Bingo Night, which you will all be invited to.

Finally, it was brilliant to welcome Darren Harris, GB and England Paralympic footballer, to school today. He really did inspire all the children (and staff)!

A highlight from last week...

Year 4 children participated in a Fashion Extravaganza at Coalbrookdale Youth Hostel!

They had been visited by a fashion and textiles designer called Roz and had made their own t-shirts and/or accessories. They then got to show these off and have more opportunities to design and evaluate textile work when they went to the showcase, along with other schools from Community Academies Trust.

We were so impressed with the children's attitudes and how much confidence they had to design things and show off their creativity!



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

A handful of Year 2 children had the opportunity to visit AFC Telford for a fun football festival. They learnt lots of new skills and had fantastic morning, well done team! ⚽⚽



Paralympic athlete visit - Monday 21st March



Visiting athlete

Name: Darren Harris

Sport: Paralympic Blind Footballer

If you have opted to have a physical sponsorship form all money raised needs to go to class doors from Monday 21st up until Thursday 24th March. Online sponsorship link: <https://sportal.sportsforschools.org/events/17846/promo>
Prizes to be won when raising £5 or more!

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Look for squares, circles, rectangles and triangles in your house. Can you find a hexagon shaped object?

Year 1

- Will be going to Ironbridge next week. Please give permission and complete lunch requests on ParentPay.

Year 2

- Please bring in wellies on Friday as we are going to the wildlife area.

Year 3

- Can year 3 please remember to wear their PE kits on Monday.

Year 4

- Remember Bikeability is on the 23rd and 24th this week.

Year 5

- Please continue reading and practising times tables at home.

Year 6

- Children have been writing historical narratives based on WW2 this week. Ask them all about it!

Clubs

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

Monday:

- Y2 Football
- KS1 Dance

Tuesday:

- Y3 Football
- Y3-6 Choir
- KS2 Archery

Wednesday:

- Y3-4 Gymnastics
- Y6 Football
- KS2 Hockey

Thursday:

- Y5-6 Dance
- Y4 Football
- UKS2 OAA/Orienteering

Friday:

- Y5 Football

Weekly Safety Message:

Do you know what your children are watching? You can change the settings for most streaming services to give you peace of mind. Use this link to find out more

<https://tinyurl.com/23kekdk9>

Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 3634, Cluddley 3469, Upton 3296 and Rowton 2751.

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...

1. Our school vision is **IGNITE** (Include everyone; Guarantee opportunities; Nurture aspirations; Inspire each other; Try everything; Enable independence).
We already do all these things, but we keep trying to do them even better!