

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

A highlight from last week...

Mr Gibbons received an email from a parent of someone who used to come to Windmill.

The email simply said: 'so this happened...' and there was a picture of a young man with a sticker.

Mr Gibbons looked at the picture, read the sticker, recognised the man and replied to the email to say 'wow, that's great news!'

That's because the man was a pupil at Windmill and the email was saying that he has just finished training to be a doctor.

We love to hear about former pupils' success!



Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

We aim to give children the best possible start to the rest of their lives.

We recognise that children leaving us after Year 6 have lots of their lives left to live and we hope that what they have learned about the world and about themselves in the time they have been here will help them succeed in later life. We particularly hope that children will remember and use the Windmill Values.

I would like to collect some success stories.

Please let me know about or put me in touch with anyone between the ages of 18 and 26 who used to come to Windmill and has something to celebrate.

Whether it's a qualification, a job, an eve, or something else... especially if it is relevant to their experience at Windmill, we'd love to hear about it.

I plan to create a display wall of 'Alumni' (a fancy word meaning ex-pupils) that will hopefully inspire our current pupils to aim high and have aspirations for success.



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

Please can we remind all families they are not permitted on the school site until 3:10pm - this is a Safeguarding issue as children may still be continuing their lessons on the playground until then.

Attention Parents & Carers
The 5-year-old
Dental Health Survey
is coming to your child's school soon

WHAT IS IT?
The community dental team is carrying out dental checks of 5-year-old children in reception and year one. This will take place at your child's school.

WHY DO WE DO IT?
The information we collect about the dental health of local children is used to plan local dental services and improve the dental health of children in Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin.

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT IT?
If your child is picked and you agree that they can take part, please return the completed consent form to school by the deadline. The form will be sent out closer to the survey date. By allowing your child to take part you are helping us to improve children's dental health.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Please watch the video, via the QR code or link ([School Dental Survey - YouTube](#))
The video will take you through how we do the dental check.

NHS
Shropshire Community Health

Weekly Safety Message:

Chat about online safety little and often: Children want to explore new apps and websites, whether that's for learning or for fun. Take this opportunity to talk to them about how to stay safe on these new things.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Please learn my home address.

Year 1

- We are learning all about plants, what plants and trees can your child name when you are out and about? We would love to hear about what they notice, they could write a list and/or send us some pictures.

Year 2

- Reminder re:dental checks and please let me know your expressions of interests for Dudmaston Bunkhouse on class dojo.

Year 3

- Please log onto ParentPay and complete the form for swimming which starts on Friday 6th May.

Year 4

- We have our residential!

Year 5

- Can all Bikeability consent forms please be returned.

Year 6

- Boosters will continue until WB 9th May.

Latest House Point totals: Henmoor 4223, Cluddley 4011, Upton 3797 and Rowton 3267.

Clubs

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

Monday:

- Y5-6 Boys Football
- Yr5-6 Tennis

Tuesday:

- Y3-4 Football
- Y3-6 Choir
- Yr3-4 Kwik Cricket

Wednesday:

- Y5-6 Gymnastics
- Y5-6 Rounders
- Y5-6 Girls Football

Thursday:

- Y3-4 Dance
- Y1-2 Football
- Y1-2 Mini Tennis

Friday:

- Football FUNdamentals



Save the date! -You are invited to **Windmill Summer Fayre** in Memory of Mrs Kemp on **Saturday 2nd July from 12.00pm**. If you would like to have a stall or help, please contact Mrs Coles on 386360.

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...

4. Working walls - we use working walls in each lesson so that children know the teacher's expectations and how to be successful. The working wall contains: 'what we are learning', 'what to remember', 'what the important vocabulary (words) are' and 'a model/example'