

Monday 19th June 2023



Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

This week, we are inviting parents, carers and family members to visit classes to tell the children about their jobs and answer the children's questions.

Thank you for getting involved in this.

Why do we make such a big thing about jobs and careers?

Why do we insist that the people who feature on our Wall of Fame:

1. Are ex-Windmill, and
2. Have a job?

The simple truth is that we believe that people find most fulfilment in their lives when they have a strong sense of purpose, usefulness and success.

And we believe **that** feeling most often comes in a job - not exclusively, but in many lives, and it needs to be the right job!

By introducing children to many jobs, we give them a better chance of finding the right job.

A highlight from last week...

We have had hot and sunny weather recently and it was a wonderful week for the Year 2 children that visited Dudmaston Bunkhouse, stayed overnight and had adventures and discoveries.

As you know, we really believe in these experiences for our children, and it's part of our guarantee for all Windmill pupils.

The picture shows children living life together, discovering the world together and learning that the greatest joy is finding what makes you come alive!

Thank you to all the adults that made the visit possible!



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.

Tiptop ice lollies - We are selling tip tops (ice lollies) at a cost of 20p each. The same cut off time of 8am on a Wednesday morning will apply. All payments are to be made via ParentPay. No cash will be taken at the school office or by your child's class teacher.

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 as they may still be taking part in P.E lessons. Thank you for your understanding.

Sports Days -

Monday 26th June - Year 1,2 & 3

Tuesday 27th June - Year 4,5 & 6

Friday 30th June Nursery and Reception Fun Day.

Save the Date - Summer Fayre -

Saturday 1st July 12pm - 3pm.

Latest House Point totals:

Henmoor 13664, Cluddley 12995, Upton 12308 and Rowton 12169.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Please ensure water bottles are in school daily.

Year 1

- Please check Parent pay to consent for our upcoming trips!

Year 2

- Please log onto Learning with parents for the new unit of Maths activities.

Year 3

- We are studying the Amazon Rainforest. Please support your child with additional research that they can bring into school/post on Dojo.

Year 4

- Please remember a water bottle every day especially in the hot weather.

Year 5

- There is no school on Friday 23rd June. Two swimming sessions will remain on Friday 30th June and Friday 7th July.

Year 6

- Check class dojo for end of year information!

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

Tuesday:

- KS2 Tennis
- KS2 Choir
- KS1 Mixed Football
- Year 6 SATS Booster

Wednesday:

- KS2 Gymfinity
- Year 3-4 Football
- KS2 Netball

Thursday:

- Year 5-6 GemAcademy Dance
- KS2 Mixed Ability Football
- KS2 Rounders
- KS1 Multisports
- Year 6 SATS Booster

Friday:

- Year 5-6 Football
- KS1 Cooking Club

Term Dates:

HALF TERM BREAK UP FRIDAY 21ST JULY AND RETURN WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2023.

PD Day Friday 23rd June 2023

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...

7. We try to spot each child's talent in our school and to nurture it. Nurturing can range from verbal encouragement, all the way through to sponsoring a child to participate in additional activities. We keep a record of children's talents and share this information between us.