

Monday 29th April 2024



Windmill Weekly

A highlight from last week...

We are growing things in our garden!

Pictured is a wonderful crop of rhubarb which was used in our school kitchen to make delicious rhubarb crumble - thank you Wendy and the kitchen crew!

We have a great garden area, which we want to make into a 'market garden', growing things which we can eat ourselves and share with or sell to others.

Our gardening clubs happen each lunchtime and we hope to see the 'fruits' of them soon!

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

Keeping Children Safe...

It's a really important priority for us, and I'm sure for you too.

You can see from the extensive information on our school website ([Keeping Children Safe | Windmill Primary School](#)) that we do a really good job of this.

We have four Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) in school. I am the senior DSL, Mrs Coles is the Deputy DSL, and Mrs Dexter and Mrs Peart are Assistant DSLs. We meet on Mondays to discuss which children and families are in most need of our attention and support. We regularly speak to children and ask how they are. Sometimes we share concerns with [Family Connect](#), Telford's free, confidential service providing impartial advice and support on a full range of children's services. Family Connect aims to ensure that families are getting the right support at the right time.

If you need Family Connect, you can call 01952 385385



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 bagels in the hall 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.

ParentPay - Please ensure that you log in to ParentPay regularly to prevent missing important information.

End of School Day - Please do not come onto the playground or wait outside classrooms until after 3:10pm. This is to ensure the safeguarding of all children.

Dinner Money - The price for primary meals has increased by 20p per meal to **£2.70** per meal since 1st April 2024.

Dogs On School Grounds - just a reminder dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

Latest House Point totals:
Henmoor 5437, Cluddley 4761,
Upton 5020 and Rowton 4828.

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.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/coconut-ordering>
Reception children have a go at ordering numbers to 20.

Year 1

- This week's phonics link <https://schools.ruthmiskin.co.uk/training/view/XPPnQLai/RjmBKGu6>

Year 2

- This week in Maths we are looking at numbers to 1000. Find out more on Class Dojo.

Year 3

- Find out any interesting facts about Tutankhamun.

Year 4

- Please can you practise your times tables on Maths Frame.

Year 5

- We are writing a newspaper this week! Can children read a newspaper at home?

Year 6

- Boosters are on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Clubs

(Priority for clubs is given to invited children, based on their needs and interests)

Monday:

- Year 3 and 4 Football
- FunZone (Community lead)
- Year 1 and 2 Mini Tennis

Tuesday:

- Year 5 and 6 Boys Football
- Year 3 and 4 Tennis

Wednesday:

- Year 3 to 6 mixed ability Football Fundamentals
- Year 3 to 6 Athletics
- Year 3 to 6 Gymfinity

Thursday:

- Year 5 and 6 Rounders
- Year 1 and 2 Football

Friday:

- Year 3 to 6 girls Football
- Year 3 to 6 GemDanceAcademy

Term Dates:

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May

Break up Friday 24th May

Start back Monday 3rd June