

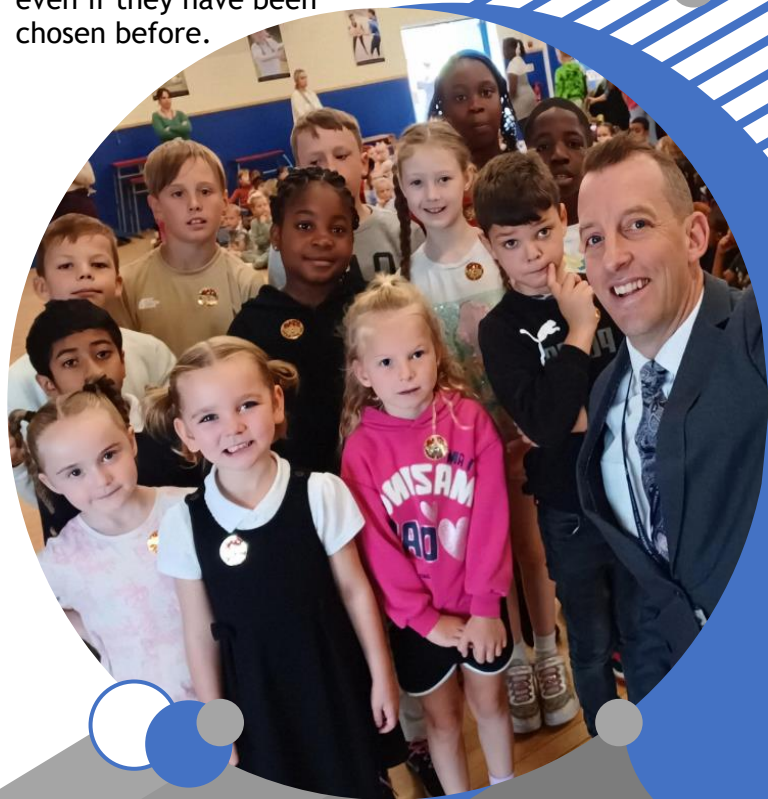
Monday 9th September 2024

A highlight from last week...

It was lovely to recognise some children's exceptional start to the new school year during Friday's Star of the Week assembly.

Each week, teachers choose a pupil that has impressed them, and they are celebrated when we gather together in the hall for assembly.

In the past, teachers have tried to ensure that each child has a chance to be Star of the Week at least once during the school year. This year we are not going to do that. We will genuinely be looking for the child who we feel most deserves to be Star of the Week - even if they have been chosen before.



Windmill Weekly

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

A very warm welcome back to school to you all after the summer holiday!

As I write this, the sun is shining, but we haven't had the brightest of starts to the new school year weather-wise.

The brightness has come though in the form of your children! What a delight to see them and how brilliantly they have started this new term!

I really appreciate how much effort has gone into making sure the children have the correct uniform, including for PE. Check on the school website if you're ever unsure:

[Uniform | Windmill Primary School](#)

We will soon be sharing our year planner with you, which will help you to know what is going on, when, and whether there is a cost involved.

Thank you again for your support for your child and for us.

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

Lost Property - Always displayed by the main office on Tuesdays from 7:45am until 3:45pm.

Tesco - Reminder about the Tesco blue token funding ends 30th September local stores.

Asda - are running a Cashpot for Schools initiative in which the school will be given a grant depending on how much YOU spend.

If you wish to sign up, log into your Asda app then join the Cashpot for Schools. Please search for our school and add us. This will not affect your personal cashpot.

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

Dinner Money - The price for primary meals is **£2.70** per meal. Payments via ParentPay.

Whole school photos - Thursday 26th September.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- Please use the link to the Read Write Inc sound of the day and practise your child's daily sound.

Year 1

- Please share your child's library book with them and return it school on Thurs.

Year 2

- The children have chosen a book from the classroom library - this is a book to read with at home and changed weekly.

Year 3

- Remember PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday.

Year 4

- PE days will be on Wednesday and Thursday. Please remember to wear the correct PE kit on these days.

Year 5

- All children have taken a book home to read with you- please read the little label on the book- enjoy!

Year 6

- Welcome to year six! We are looking forward to a great year!

Clubs

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

Monday:

- Year 1-2 girls Football
- FunZone (Community lead) - from Monday 16th September
- Year 3-6 Gymnastics

Tuesday:

- Year 3-4 boys Football
- Year 1-2 Cricket
- Year 3-6 Choir

Wednesday:

- Year 3-6 girls Football
- Year 3 to 6 Dodgeball

Thursday:

- Year 3-6 Dance
- Year 1-2 Football

Friday:

- Year 5-6 boys Football

Term Dates:

Half Term Holiday -

Break up Friday 28th October and return Monday 4th November.

MacMillan Coffee Morning - Friday 27th September 10am - 12 noon - Join us in the Lamputt Room for cake and a hot drink and support a good cause.

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 GROW (All children becoming 'Generous', 'Resilient', 'Optimistic' and 'Wise' citizens).
- We think this should be the natural outcome of us living out our school values!