



Friday 13th January 2023

Our vision is 'Let your light shine'. The rainbow symbolises God's unconditional love for each individual. We seek to reflect that light in all we do: in our community, both local and wider, in our communication, both word and action, with curiosity and courage, and with care and compassion for everyone, inspiring a love of learning.

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another exciting week at Winslow CE School and wonderful to see the children enthusiastic and engaged about their learning opportunities across the school.

Our Rainbows pre-school children were very excited this week when a new pirate ship sailed into their outdoor play area. The ship, which has been kindly funded by the Phyllis and Wally Locke trust fund and Winslow Town Council, has been very popular with the children. In all weathers, the children have wanted to play outside on the new ship; it has been lovely to see their smiles and hear their laughter as they explore the climbing wall, ropes, net and tunnel.



I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that the children must not play on the equipment before or after school.

Children from Year Six attended the Basketball Festival at Mandeville School on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Burman. They represented the school amazingly well, achieving two wins and a draw. We are looking forward to hearing about their next tournament which takes place next week. All the children demonstrated great sportsmanship towards each other and the other schools. Congratulations to Indy, Arthur, Lexton, Oliver, Leo, Kitara, Mia, Sophie, Eva and Lily!

You should have received letters about our spring term school clubs via ParentMail this week. These will start the week beginning **Monday 30th January** and will finish the week beginning **Monday 13th March**. Clubs will start at 3.15pm and finish at 4.15pm. **No clubs will run the week commencing 20th February due to Parents' Evenings.**

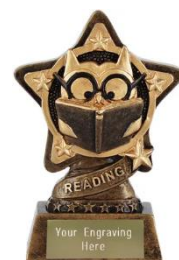
Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend!

Samantha Dimbleby
Headteacher

Accelerated Readers

The following classes have been awarded the Reading Trophies this week for completing the most Accelerated Reader Quizzes:

2YM
3CC
4KF
5KE
6FD



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

Toilet Twinning

Introducing our Spend A Penny Challenge!

We have previously joined with the charity www.toilettwinning.org who are helping to flush away poverty by sponsoring a toilet in another country. The children's toilets in the exhibition area are now twinned with Afghanistan.

We would love to try to raise enough money to sponsor another toilet.

Do you have a jar of coppers, pennies and two penny pieces?
Are they weighing your wallets, purses and pockets down?



We would love parents, grandparents, family, friends and neighbours to save their coppers for the next few weeks. Throughout this year, we hope to collect as many pennies as possible and fill our special toilet located in the main entrance of school. We are aiming to raise £60. So, if you are able to donate your coppers we would be grateful. You can find out more information by looking online at www.toilettwinning.org

Our hope is that we can look beyond our immediate community, and help a little with an essential life resource, encouraging our own children to appreciate the access we all have to water and good sanitation.

Thank you so very much for your support and remember, let us spend your pennies for you!

Rainbows Pre-School and Starting School in September 2023

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 the application deadline is **15th January 2023, please do not miss it.**

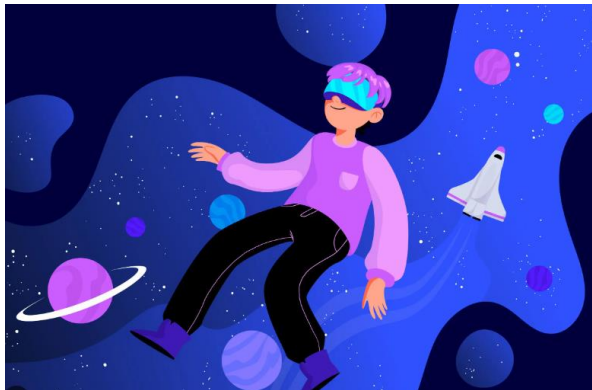
You can apply for a school place at Buckinghamshire School Admissions. If you would like a place for child in Reception in September 2023, you must apply for a place, even if your child is at currently attending Rainbows Pre-school.

Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child please contact Mrs Samantha Dimbleby, Mrs Tracy Thomas or Mrs Katie Epps via the School Office on 01296 712296 or alternatively if out of school hours, weekends or holidays visit <http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/> to report your concerns. For more safeguarding information please visit our website.



Keeping your child safe online - What is the Metaverse?



The Metaverse refers to the development of an online environment that allows you to take part in day-to-day activities, it's a virtual world that mirrors the 'offline world'. For example, you could go shopping, play games such as Roblox and have dinner with other people. Some refer to this as the 3D environment.

The Metaverse can be accessed using a headset where the user can be part of a more realistic virtual environment.

With the development of such technology comes the inevitable safeguarding risks. As there is currently no age assurance associated with this latest online environment, children could be vulnerable to online grooming and/or bullying. The environment is accessed in real time and so it's more difficult to moderate access to inappropriate conversations or material such as pornography and it is easier to share user's real time offline location with others.

Access to this latest online world is rapidly increasing. For more information follow this link: [NSPCC Online Safety Blog](#)

What can we do even better as a school?

If you have any comments or suggestions, please do get in contact with Mrs Dimbleby via the school office, or better still, come and chat to her at the start or the end of the day on the playground.



Diary Dates Spring Term 2023

Date	Event
Wednesday 4 th January	Children return to school
wc 4 th January	Take One Picture Arts Week
Wednesday 18 th January (2:00pm – 3:00pm)	FOWS Open Meeting for parents
Thursday 19 th January	Y2 Living Rainforest Trip
Tuesday 24 th January (9:00am- 10:00am)	Phonics Information Session for Reception and KS1 Parents
Thursday 2 nd February (10:00am)	Rainbows Pre-School Open Morning
wc Monday 6 th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 7 th February	Safer Internet Day
Date TBC	Internet Safety Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 7 th February (5:00pm- 6:00pm)	Year 6 SATS Information Evening for Parents
Thursday 9 th February (9:00am – 10:00am)	Reception and KS1 Maths Stay and Play Session
Friday 10 th February 2022	Interim Report to Parents
Friday 10 th February – Monday 20 th February	Smarties Challenge
HALF TERM HOLIDAY (Monday 13 th February – Friday 17 th February)	
Monday 20 th February	Children return to school
Monday 20 th February (3:30pm – 6:30pm) and Wednesday 22 nd February (4:30pm – 7:30pm)	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 28 th February (5:00pm- 6:00pm)	Year 2 SATS Information Evening for Parents
Thursday 2 nd March (10:00am)	Rainbows Pre-School Open Morning
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day
wc 13 th March	Science Week
Friday 17 th March	Red Nose Day – non-uniform fundraising day
Friday 17 th March	FOWS Mother's Day Gifts Sale
Tuesday 21 st March – Thursday 23 rd March	Year 4 Woodrow Residential
Tuesday 21 st March	Reception and KS1 Stay and Read Session
Wednesday 22 nd March	Reception and Y6 Group Photographs
Thursday 23 rd March (10:00am)	Rainbows Pre-School Open Morning
wc 27 th March	Year 3 Bikeability
Friday 31 st March	FOWS Break the Rules Day
Friday 31 st March	Last day of term
Easter HOLIDAY Children return on Monday 17 th April 2023	