



# INFORMATION NEWSLETTER

*Our vision is to inspire all with a life-long love of learning.*

## Mrs Wood would like to say.....

Since we have been back to school, it has been all systems go! Extreme Earth Week was launched with an engaging assembly by Mrs Moore filling the school hall with drama, music and hard-hitting news reports. Immersed in their selected country, the pupils have risen to the challenge to become roving reporters delivering breaking news. The children have shown enthusiasm and positivity in abundance since returning and have been keen to engage in the Geography and Science lessons they have enjoyed as part of this WOW week. It promises to be another exciting few days all round and we are looking forward to sharing the outcomes with you at our Celebration of Learning event on the 19th of January.

Good luck to our Year 6 children who tonight will be part of the electric atmosphere at the O2 as they join the Young Voices Choir this evening.

## For your information.....

### Woodland Trust

We are very excited to share with you a link to the new Woodland Trust advert which is now showing on TV and features some of our children's artwork! Children were chosen to work with Mrs Smith to paint some woodland animals in preparation for the advert.

### Advert

Please do take a look and join us to celebrate some of our very talented artists. As you will see, their paintings look just incredible! Their art is only on for the first couple of seconds, but we've copied a screen shot below and also included a link to their website.

### Woodland Trust Website

[SCHOOL CALENDAR](#)[CURRICULUM](#)[LUNCH MONEY](#)[GALLERY](#)[RESOURCES](#)

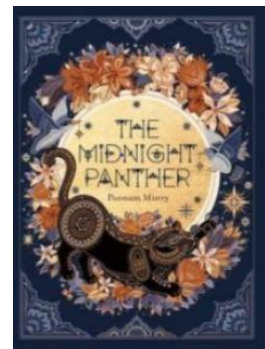
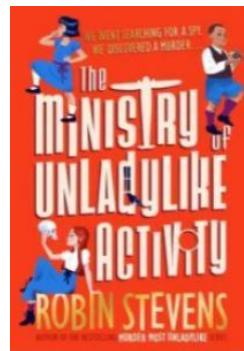
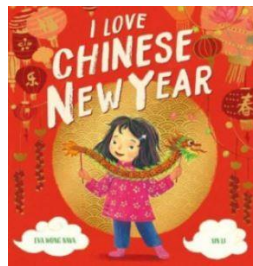
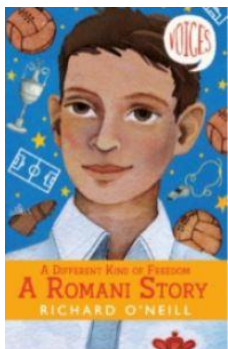
Windhill21, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2NE

Tel:01279 696850 Email:[admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk) [www.windhill.herts.sch.uk](http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk)

Windhill21 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023



## January 2023 New Children's Books We Love



It's easy to feel lost in the flood of so many new children's books available. Each month, we pick five of our recently published favourites.

Windhill21, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2NE

Tel: 01279 696850 Email: [admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk)

[www.windhill.herts.sch.uk](http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk)

**Windhill21** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023

### **Celebration of Learning Event Years 1 – 6**

This **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January** we are welcoming parents into school for our Celebration or Learning event which will start from **3pm**. Here is the plan for the afternoon:-

- You must collect your child(ren) in the usual manor at 3pm.
- If your child is on our system as an independent walker they will be released at 3pm. If you intend to meet them and view their work, please ensure they are aware and know where to wait for you.
- The only school club running is Mr Millard's Football Club, the children will be sent to club and you will be able to view their work once the club finishes at 4pm.
- If your child attends Night Owls they will be sent there in the usual manor. If you are able to come and view their work, you will need to email [admin@windhill.hert.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.hert.sch.uk) and [earlybirdandnightowlclub@gmail.com](mailto:earlybirdandnightowlclub@gmail.com) to let us both know you will be collecting your child at 3pm not sending them to Night Owls.
- Once you have collected your child(ren), you can go in to the classroom and view their work.
- Please ensure your child(ren) stay with you at all times as you move around the school.

The celebration will last until **4.30pm** which should give you enough time to visit each classroom if you have more than one child at the school. We are looking forward to welcoming you to school on Thursday.

### **Volunteers**

Thank you to everyone who has offered to find out more about becoming a volunteer here at Windhill21. The application pack will be sent out to each of the individuals by the end of this week.

### **Nursery Applications**

Applications are now open for our Nursery September 2023 intake. Please click [HERE](#) to visit our website to fill out the application form. We also have two open mornings coming up to give parents the opportunity to come and find out more and have a tour of the Nursery and rest of the school. The first is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 9.15am and the second is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023, again at 9.15am. If you would like to book a place on one of the open mornings, please email [admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk)

### **No Nuts Policy**

A reminder that as a school we have a **strict no nuts policy**. Within school there are a number of children who suffer from severe nut allergies and are at risk of anaphylactic shock should they have any contact at all with nuts. It is therefore imperative that **no products containing nuts** are brought onto the school site or included within pack lunches or snack items. Thank you for your continued support with this.



Windhill21, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2NE

Tel: 01279 696850 Email: [admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk)

[www.windhill.herts.sch.uk](http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk)

<b>Dates for your Diary*</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>JANUARY 2023</b>		
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Year 6 Young Voices at O2</b>	<b>Parent tickets sent via AXS App 10.01.23 ready for download</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Nursery Applications Open to parents for September 2023 intake</b>	<b>Application form available on our website</b>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 5 Curriculum update meeting 4.00pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 1 Curriculum update meeting 4.30pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 2 Curriculum update meeting 4.30pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Celebration of Learning Event 3pm – 4.30pm Year 1 – Year 6</b>	<b>An opportunity for you to visit your child’s classroom and view their work</b>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	Year 4 Curriculum update meeting 4.30pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 3 Curriculum update meeting 4.00pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 6 Curriculum update meeting 4.30pm	Virtual meeting on Google Classroom.
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	EYFS Celebration of the new learning environment  Nursery: 8.30 and 2.30 (depending on sessions your child attends)  Reception: 2.30pm	Nursery and Reception parents invited to school to take a look at the new learning environment in EYFS and to understand how your child’s learning is delivered.
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Open Morning for Nursey September 2023 Intake	Bookings are now open to attend the open day. Please contact the school office to book your space.
<b>FEBRUARY 2023</b>		

**Windhill21** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Mrs Moore's Tea Party	Selected Children by Invitation Only
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	HALF TERM	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023	Open Morning for Nursery September 2023 Intake	Bookings are now open to attend the open day. Please contact the school office to book your space.
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>	<p><b>Spring Book Fair</b></p> <p><b>23.02.23 - Nursery &amp; Reception - 3pm to 3:45pm</b></p> <p><b>24.02.23 - Year 1 &amp; 2 - 3pm to 3:30pm</b></p> <p><b>27.02.23 - Year 3 &amp; 4 Sale - 3pm to 3:30pm</b></p> <p><b>28.02.23 - Years 5 &amp; 6 Sale - 3pm to 3:30pm</b></p> <p><b>01.03.23 - All Years - 3pm to 3:30pm</b></p>	
<b>MARCH 2023</b>		
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>World Book Day</b>	<b>More information to follow</b>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Year 6 Big Bang Science Fair at Herts & Essex	More information to follow
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	Year 4 Residential to East Mersea	Instalment payments to be made on Arbor. Final two on: 15/01 and 15/02
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Mrs Moore's Tea Party	Selected Children by Invitation Only
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	TERM ENDS at 1.15pm	
<b>APRIL 2023</b>		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2023 – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Easter Holidays	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	TERM STARTS	
<b>MAY 2023</b>		

Windhill21, Windhill, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2NE

Tel: 01279 696850 Email: [admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk)

[www.windhill.herts.sch.uk](http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk)

**Windhill21** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023	May Bank Holiday – School Closed	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Extra Bank Holiday for the King’s Coronation – School Closed	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Year 6 Crucial Crew	More information to follow
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	HALF TERM	
<b>JULY 2023</b>		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	TERM ENDS	
<b>SEPTEMBER 2023</b>		
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2023	INSET DAY	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	INSET DAY	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	TERM STARTS	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Year 6 France Residential (Current Year 5)	Instalment payments to be made on Arbor. Three instalments remaining - Payments to be made on: 15/02, 15/03 and 15/04
<b>OCTOBER 2023</b>		
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023 – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	HALF TERM	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	INSET DAY	
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2023	TERM STARTS	
<b>DECEMBER 2023</b>		
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023	TERM ENDS at 1.15pm	
<b>JANUARY 2024</b>		
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	INSET DAY	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	INSET DAY	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	TERM STARTS	
<p><b>* In Bold – Added new this week.</b>  * Please check the school website for updates <a href="http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk">www.windhill.herts.sch.uk</a></p>		

Windhill21, Windhill, Bishop’s Stortford, Hertfordshire CM23 2NE

Tel: 01279 696850 Email: [admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk)

[www.windhill.herts.sch.uk](http://www.windhill.herts.sch.uk)

## Attendance

**Windhill21 is working in partnership with parents to improve school attendance.**

**We would like to congratulate the many parents who make sure their children attend school regularly.**

Armstrong	97.93%
Jemison	95.33%
Seacole	98.28%
Nightingale	96.33%
Greta	98.28%
Attenborough	98.67%
Beatles	97%
Handel	100%
Shakespeare	99%
Rowling	94.33%
Mandela	93.23%
Malala	96.43%
Da Vinci	97.33%
Kahlo	98.39%

## Secret Agents

**Secret Agent information for the week ending**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**AGENT REFLECTOR**

Armstrong	Ellen
Jemison	Oscar
Seacole	Hugo
Nightingale	Holly
Greta	Molly
Attenborough	Fraser
Beatles	Kie
Handel	Maurice
Shakespeare	Niniola
Rowling	Thomas
Mandela	Payton
Malala	Hope
Da Vinci	Libby
Kahlo	Eddie

## House Points

				
<b>Mexico</b> <b>157 points</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>	<b>Canada</b> <b>152 points</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>	<b>Sweden</b> <b>140 points</b>	<b>France</b> <b>152 points</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>	<b>India</b> <b>145 points</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b>

A world of possibilities