Windhill21 Monday 26th September 2022



## **INFORMATION NEWSLETTER**

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

## Mrs Moore would like to say.....

It is amazing to think that the Queen's funeral was a week ago. It gave us all space for reflection; a day in which we had time to respect a person who demonstrated the qualities of stoicism, dedication and compassion; whatever your opinions, I hope that you found the day personally enriching.

In our assemblies this week, KS1 and KS2 will be reflecting on the monarchy and giving information about our new king, King Charles III. Even though last week was a shorter week, it was still full of action - Hopefully everyone has had the chance to see what has been

happening on the class and school Twitter pages; it is a privilege to have an insight into all the classrooms via this medium. I was proud to be able to instantly send our French Trip activities to parents via Twitter - we had a fantastic time; it is so evident how much value this trip is on so many levels.

On Tuesday, a Community Cafe event was staged in the hall and on Wednesday I delivered World War I drama workshops to year 6 – photo shows 'going over the top' and into battle!



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## For your information.....

#### **Jeans for Genes Day**

Last Friday we celebrated Jeans for Genes day in school. By wearing jeans, we raised money for the Jeans for Genes charity which supports individuals and families with rare genetic conditions. The money we raised is used to buy specialist equipment and exciting treat days for the families. We learnt about the condition Achondroplasia (dwarfism) in particular and how it effects the lives of the people who have it. We raised an amazing £238.22. Thank you for all of your support in this incredible fundraising mission!



#### **Book Fair**

The Book Fair is coming back to school on 6<sup>th</sup> October – 12<sup>th</sup> October timings as follows:-

- Thursday 6th October Nursery & Reception Sale 3pm to 3:45pm
- Friday 7th October Year 1 & 2 Sale 3pm to 3:30pm
- Monday 10th October Year 3 & 4 Sale 3pm to 3:30pm
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October Year 5 & 6 sale 3pm 3.30pm
- Wednesday 12th October All Years 3pm to 3:30pm



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### **Think High! Secret Agents**

Through the use of the 'Think High Agents' in everyday school life the children become aware of not just what they learn but also how they learn. These attributes are linked to a visual image and a name to make it more tangible for the children.

At the beginning of each week FS/KS1 and KS2 assembly will focus on the agent of the week. During the week teachers refer to the agents as the children are working. Children move up the zone board for showing particular learning behaviours of the agents. This will have the greatest impact as the children will see that they are rewarded for perseverance, reflection etc and that they can learn from their mistakes.

At the end of each week in whole school assembly a child from each class is presented with a 'secret agent award'. An agent is chosen as the focus for each week and the teacher writes a brief description about the reason they have been given the award. Below is the list of the 9 agents we work through on a rotation basis:-

Agent	Description	W/E
*	<b>Agent Open-minded:</b> Always willing to consider new ideas and is always receptive to new ideas they respect the values of other individuals and cultures and seek to consider a range of points of view	30.09.22
	Agent Perseverance: Has a steady will to complete a task in spite of any obstacles before him.	07.10.22
A.	<b>Agent Problem Solver:</b> Exercises initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to solving complex problems	14.10.22
T.	<b>Agent Reflector:</b> Gives thoughtful consideration to his own learning by constructively analysing his personal strengths and weaknesses.	21.10.22
3	Agent Respect: Has a fair and objective look at people, things, and ideas different to his own	04.04.22
X	Agent Risk-Taker: Approaches unfamiliar situations without anxiety and has the confidence to explore new ideas	11.11.22
1.	<b>Agent Caring:</b> Shows sensitivity towards the needs and feelings of others, and has a sense of personal commitment to helping others.	18.11.22
Ť	<b>Agent Communicator:</b> Receives and express ideas and information confidently in more than one language	25.11.22
<b>A</b>	Agent Inquirer: Has a natural curiosity, has been nurtured and actively enjoys learning	02.12.22

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# September 2022 New Children's Books We Love



ROB BIDDULPH

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.

### **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.



## **Dates for your Diary\***

Date	Event	Action		
SEPTEMBER 2022				
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2022	Football Match (Away) Thorley Hill vs Windhill21	Selected Children		
OCTOBER 2022				
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Football Match (Away) Northgate vs Windhill21	Selected Children		

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Thursday 6th October – Wednesday 12th October 2022	Travelling Book Fair	Timings as listed above	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Harvest Assembly – 1 Grandparent per family KS2 - 9.30am Reception & KS1 – 10.30am	Email sent – pre book space. Food donations to be brought into school 06.10.22 onwards	
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Individual School Photographs		
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Nasal Flu Spray: Reception – Year 6	More information to follow	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Football Match (Home) Windhill21 vs Thorn Grove	Selected Children	
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Retune Taster Session for Year 5 and 6 Parents	Email sent 09.09.22. Please confirm your attendance by emailing <u>admin@windhill.herts.sch.uk</u>	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	HALF TERM		
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2022	INSET DAY		
NOVEMBER 2022			
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Open Morning for Reception September 2023 Intake	More information to follow	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Year 6 Bike Ability Course	More information to follow	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Open Morning for Reception September 2023 Intake	More information to follow	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2022	Nasal Flu Spray: Reception – Year 6 – Catch up session	For anyone who missed the first session	
DECEMBER 2022			
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	Open Morning for Reception September 2023 Intake	More information to follow	
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Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2022	TERM ENDS at 1.15pm		
JANUARY 2023			
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	INSET DAY		
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	INSET DAY		
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	TERM STARTS		
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Year 6 Young Voices at O2	More information to follow	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Open Morning for Nursey September 2023 Intake	More information to follow	
FEBRUARY 2023			
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	More information to follow	
MARCH 2023			
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	TERM ENDS		
APRIL 2023	L	L	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	TERM STARTS		
MAY 2023			
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023	May Bank Holiday – School Closed		
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	HALF TERM		
JULY 2023	1	1	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	TERM ENDS		
<ul> <li>* In Bold – Added new this week.</li> <li>* Please check the school website for updates <u>www.windhill.herts.sch.uk</u></li> </ul>			

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Attendance						
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.	Armstro Jemison Seacole Nighting Greta Attenbo Beatles Handel Shakesp Rowling Mandela Malala Da Vinc	gale rough beare	<pre>w/e 16.09 92.52% 98.62% 98.93% 97.33% 96% 95.67% 94.33% 100% 99.33% 98.67% 95.16% 98.57% 98.67%</pre>	)	<pre>w/e 23.09 92.8% 100% 94.64% 97.92% 95.83% 94.17% 92.08% 98.28% 95.83% 96.67% 92.34% 99.11% 94.17%</pre>	
	Kahlo		100%		96.25%	
Secret Agents						
Secret Agent week er	nding:	Armst	rong	-		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Septembe	r 2022	Jemison -		-		
AGENT COMMUNICATOR		Nightingale Greta Attenborough Beatles Handel Shakespeare Rowling Mandela Malala		Gordon Elliot Jacob Gina Dominik Frankie Oliver Marley Alfie G George Daisy		

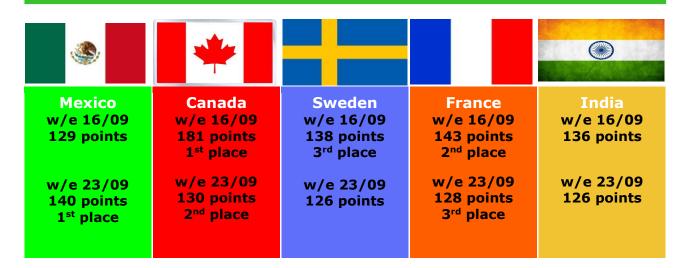
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Secret Agent week ending:	Armstrong	Rocco
Friday 23rd September 2022	Jemison	To start next week!
	Seacole	Austin
AGENT INQUIRER	Nightingale	Juno
	Greta	Bradan
-	Attenborough	Antoni
	Beatles	Frank
0	Handel	Layla
	Shakespeare	Izzy
	Rowling	Dwija
	Mandela	Aesha
	Malala	Ashley W
	Da Vinci	Oliver
	Kahlo	Hasan

### **House Points**



## A world of possibilities

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