

Friday 4th October 2024



Reading lesson in Year 6 studying one of our newly purchased books

Dear Parents and Carers



Another busy week at school with lots going on, as usual. We welcomed GCSE students from Cox Green school studying PE to deliver PE lessons in Year 1. The students commented on how receptive our Year 1 pupils are – wonderful to hear!

In other sporting news, our recent **Mini Marathon** was an outstanding success, raising an impressive £1,012 for our school. These funds will directly benefit our pupils as the money will be used to buy new playground equipment. Thanks to everyone who supported the event, especially Amelia in Year 4, who single-handedly raised over £100. Our newly appointed sports leaders will collaborate with Mrs Cox to select equipment for pupils to enjoy at playtimes.

Our Year 6 **Junior Leaders, House Captains, Sports Leaders and Growth Mindset Ambassador** for this academic year have been selected following a selection process last week. Congratulations to all! While not everyone could be chosen for these specific roles, there will be numerous opportunities for our pupils to represent the school with pride.

As we approach our **harvest** celebrations, we are once again partnering with Maidenhead Food Share for our annual collection. From next week, we will be accepting donations to support this worthy cause. Do please check the poster at the end of this newsletter for details of the items they are currently requesting. Please remember that any contribution, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated. Donations will be welcomed throughout next week, with a final collection at the school office by lunchtime on Friday, 11th October.

A reminder that bookings for our upcoming parents' evening will go live at 5pm today. Please refer to the letter sent earlier this week for details. As per last year, we will be using Arbor for appointment bookings. It's important to note that we do not plan to offer additional sessions beyond the two scheduled days, so please ensure you secure your preferred time slot.



Enjoying the last of the sunshine

Don't forget that we are still featuring in **Tesco** stores through their **blue token fundraising scheme**. We could receive £1,500 if we have the highest number of blue tokens. Any funds from this will go towards our new Early Years outdoor trail which is being installed next week. Stores where we are featured are in Maidenhead, Slough, Burnham and Taplow.

Remember that you can also choose Wessex in your **ASDA** app too when shopping or raise funds for the school through the **easy fundraising app**. See the attached poster for more details.

Have a great weekend,
Mr Beavan

Quotes of the week

Reflections on learning

"I am learning how many hours of sunlight there are in each season," Ollie, Year 1

"We read Goldilocks and the Three Bears and wrote our own versions of the story," Zannah, Year 2

"In history, I am enjoying learning about how people lived in the Stone Age," Charlie, Year 3

"I am enjoying studying the artist, Matisse, and creating collages using different materials," Talia, Year 4

"We completed Cogheart, our class book, which was adventurous and exciting," Ajwa, Year 5

"We learnt about using multi clause sentences and relative clauses to add more detail," Georgia, Year 6

Diary dates coming up



Monday 7th October

Harvest celebration (pupils only)

Wednesday 9th October

EYFS parents Phonics meeting and stay and play

Thursday 10th October

Parent Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2025

Friday 11th October

Last day for harvest donations

Monday 14th October

Year 6 health screening

Tuesday 15th October

Parents' Evening - in person at school 3:40-6:30

Wednesday 16th October

Parents' Evening - in person at school 3:40-6:30

Good News Certificates

GOOD NEWS

EYFS: Eleanor and Dylan

Year 1: Keya and Delilah-Rose

Year 2: Jolie and Tariro

Year 3: Charlie and Darcie

Year 4: Imogen-Rose and Zia

Year 5: Arran and Elisa

Year 6: Emily PM and Amy

Attendance

Lower School: Birch winners with 99.1%

Upper School: Lime Winners with 97.7%

School attendance this week

93.6%



Last week = 95.9%
Last year average = 95%

Aiming for 97%

School Values - Respect



We began October discussing Black History Month including why this is celebrated, when it began being celebrated and who decided to start recognising Black History Month. We discussed some racist incidents from history, which we were all shocked to hear. We also spoke about the Jewish festival of Rosh Hashana and why Yom Kippur is celebrated to celebrate new year in the Jewish calendar.

Beech class sports session

Beech class participated in an Active 60 Sports session held at Altwood School yesterday. It was a wonderful opportunity where the children practised long-jump, ball throw, running, javelin throws amongst others with the support of professional sports leaders. It was an event run to promote health and fitness and it certainly did that! Non stop exercise for 1.5 hours for the children. The class represented the school well as they conformed to the Wessex Values. Thanks to Mrs Cox, Miss Henderson, Mrs Sandhar and Mrs Weaver for their organisation of the event and accompanying the children.

Year 6 Leaders



Congratulations to:

Isabelle	Ingso
Emily P-M	Declan
Leo	Sophia
Emily P	Alex
George	Callum
Evie	Zach
Ben	Charlie
Jasmine	Tylar
Oliver	Georgia



Character Curriculum

We visited our final class expectation of contributing. We spoke about how it was important to speak up in lessons when required. Children understood that they need to be thinking hard to be learning and without contributing, school staff do not know what children have learnt. Next week's focus is how to introduce yourself to people.

Why contribute?



- Shows what you can do
- Helps others to learn
- Is respectful to others
- Develops your own confidence



Positivity



Honesty



Respect



Pride

School Tours and Stay & Plays



For pupils starting school in
September 2025

Tour dates 9:15am - 10:30am:

Thursday 10th October
Thursday 24th October
Thursday 7th November
Tuesday 19th November
Tuesday 26th November
Tuesday 3rd December

**Stay and Play dates
9:15am - 10:00am:**

Tuesday 12th November



Thursday 28th November



Tuesday 14th January



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HARVEST FESTIVAL

Foodshare Wish List



HIGH PRIORITY

Instant Mashed Potato

Tinned Meat

Spreads

Jams, marmite & peanut butter

Biscuits

Tinned Fish

Tinned fruit

Pineapple, Mandarin, Fruit cocktail

Custard/Rice pudding

Cupa Soup

Chocolate

Toilet Paper

Squash



FOODSHARE

MAIDENHEAD

THE SEASON FOR PUMPKIN AND KINDNESS



MEDIUM PRIORITY

Washing Detergent

Tinned Ravioli

Tinned Spaghetti

Deodorant

Shower Gel

UHT milk



NOT NEEDED WE HAVE PLENTY

**PASTA
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OCTOBER Activity CAMP

Where Every Activity Builds Skills

DATES BETWEEN:

28TH OCT – 1ST NOV

FOR AGES 4 (RECEPTION+) – 16

£31.45

Half Day

8am – 3:30pm

£34.45

Full Day

8am – 6pm



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See Full
Venue List!

WHAT'S ON...

- **Troublesome** Themed Crafts
- **Fearsome** Football
- **Slimy** sports
- **Mystical** making
- **Spooky** Science Experiments
- **Ghoulish** games
- **And special events to be revealed soon!**



LOCATIONS

ALL CAMPS

RUNNING 28TH OCTOBER – 1ST NOVEMBER

Cippenham School
Slough, SL1 5RB

Radstock Primary School
Lower Early,
RG6 5UZ

Southwood Infant School
Farnborough,
GU14 0NEB

Winnersh Primary School
Winnersh, RG41 5LH

Didcot Primary Academy
Didcot, OX11 GDP

Redgrave Sports Centre
Marlow, SL7 3JD

St Andrews Primary School
Uxbridge, UB8 2BX

Prestwood Junior School
Great Missenden,
HP16 0NR

Shinfield St Mary's Junior School
Shinfield, RG2 9EJ

Wessex Primary School
Maidenhead,
SL6 3AT

Woodley CofE Primary School
Woodley, RG5 4UX

NEW

Willow Bank Infant School
Woodley, RG5 4RW

Hillside Primary School
Lower Early, RG6 4HQ

Dance Camp!

Football Camp!



We have ensembles for all ages and
abilities at Windsor Music Centre

Every week, many children and young people from the area attend music lessons, choirs and instrumental ensembles. They have fun, make new friends and develop a range of life skills including; self-confidence, communication, teamworking skills as well as learning music.

Come and join us!

Mini Maestros (age 4–7)

Mini Maestros Reception
Saturday 8.55 – 9.25am
Children's Choir (Reception – Year 2)
Saturday 9.30 – 10.00am

Mini Maestros Year 1
Saturday 10.05 – 10.45am
Mini Maestros Year 2
Saturday 10.50 – 11.30am



Initial (Music Grade 1–3)

Windsor Let's Play/Initial String Orchestra
Wednesday 5.00 – 6.00pm

Windsor Initial Wind band
Saturday 9.00 – 10.00am



Intermediate (Music Grade 3–5)

Windsor Intermediate Wind Band
Saturday 10.15–11.45am



Senior (Music Grade 6–8)

Windsor Senior Wind Band
Saturday 10.00 – 12.00pm
Windsor Senior Percussion
Wednesday 5.00 – 6.00pm

Windsor Senior String Orchestra
Saturday 9.00 – 11.00am



Choirs

Reception–Year 3
Windsor Children's Choir
Saturday 9.30 – 10.00am
Year 4 – Year 6
Windsor Young Singers Choir
Saturday 10.05 – 10.45am

Year 7 – Year 13
Windsor Contemporary Choir
Saturday 10.50 – 11.35am

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