

Winkfield St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter



Friday 31st January 2020

'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Dear parents,

It was great to see so much excitement when the children saw that the Life Bus is here again on its annual visit. They love going into the Life Bus Classroom and learning about Life in all its fullness, learning in an interactive and inspiring way. I have attached the overview of what is covered in each year group for your information.

I have also attached our Uniform list. This has been updated to make it gender neutral, but also to be very clear about what uniform is acceptable. There is already a variety to choose from in both Winter and Summer and I ask parents to stick to the items listed. Please do not purchase any 'rogue' styles not listed before checking that they might be acceptable. For example, when supermarkets brought in the gingham playsuits, we recognised that this would be helpful for summer activities in the playground and amended our list accordingly. We do not wish to dilute the uniform any further by including even more choices in the uniform list, so I urge parents to check the list and ask for your support in this matter.

I was also asked whether KS2 pupils are allowed to bring pencil cases into school, or was it an urban myth?! I can confirm that pupils in KS2 are welcome to bring pencil cases with colouring pencils, glue sticks and rubbers if they wish. Pencil cases with removable sections, drawers, fiddly bits or are particularly large will not be appropriate or welcomed into the classroom as they will distract from learning!

Please note that all class pages should now have the Spring Curriculum newsletters and homework grids uploaded for viewing.

Coming up

As part of the KS1 topic on animals, Y1 and 2 have visitors planned over the next 2 weeks. On Monday Miss Evans will be bringing Logan, her mum's therapy dog, to meet the children and talk about his needs (please note that he will be under control at all times in respect of any children who may feel nervous of dogs). Next week they have a visit from the Reptile Man who, I am sure will keep his animals similarly controlled at all times!

Governors are looking forward to being in school on Monday morning for one of their half termly visits. This time they will be focussing on monitoring the work we have been doing around the wider curriculum, in particular in History. They always enjoy seeing the children and talking to them about their work too.



Miss J Evans Headteacher

Star of the Week and Attendance		
Reception	Rose	
Year 1	Frederick	
Year 2	Benny	
Year 3	Orlaith	The attendance award
Year 4	Ava	went to Year 5 with 96.7% and the
Year 5	Anna I	lunchtime Star of the Week is Aiva in year 1
Year 6	Harry S	·

Orator of the Week		
Reception	Vinnie	
Year 1	Divine	
Year 2	Harrison	
Year 3	Theo	
Year 4	Lily	
Year 5	Adam	
Year 6	Emily	

Diary Dates

Tuesday 4th February Spell It Challenge—Eagle House School

Friday 7th February PTA Quiz Night

Monday 10th February Whole School Oracy Focus Day

Tuesday 11th February Reptile visitor Years 1/2

Wednesday 12th February Year 5 Girls Maths Marathon

Friday 14th February Year 6 Lambrook swimming starts

Monday 17th —Friday 21st February HALF TERM

Monday 24th February Year 5/6 Ancient Greek Day

Wednesday 26th February Year 3/4 Trip

Wednesday 26th February Bag 2 School Collection

Wednesday 26th February Reception Parents' Evening
Thursday 27th February Reception Parents' Evening
Friday 28th February Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics
Wednesday 4th March Years 1-6 Parents' Evening

Thursday 5th March Years 1-6 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10th March Netball Match

Thursday 12th March Girls Football Competition
Friday 20th March PTA Mother's Day Gifts

Tuesday 31st March Year 3/4 Trip

Wednesday 1st April KS1 Multi Sports Festival—am

Wednesday 1st April Easter Service 2pm

Friday 3rd April SPRING TERM ENDS 2pm

Monday 20th April SUMMER TERM STARTS

Friday 8th May MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 18th May Class Photos

Friday 22nd May Inset Day — School closed

Monday 25th —Friday 29th May HALF TERM

Monday 1st June Inset Day — School closed

Wednesday 3rd June Year 3 & 4 Trip

Wednesday 3rd June Bag 2 School Collection

10th—12th June Year 6 Bikeability Training

Friday 3rd July Bracknell Forest Swimming Gala

Sunday 12th July PTA Circus—Locks Ride

Thursday 16th July Year 5/6 Production (1.30pm for Yr5 parents, 6pm for Yr6 parents)