

# Newsletter

Friday 25th January 2019

#### A message from Mr Ingrassia

Dear Parents and Carers,

The 'Proud-Meter' for teachers always has moments in the week when it peaks into the 'Very Proud' zone and rarely dips below the 'Well-Proud'.



For me, this week, it tipped into the 'Exceptionally-Proud' several times and the reason is that in the course of the last two weeks I have received phone calls from secondary school heads to report on our year 6's applications for places in their schools.

The fact that there were many excellent offers was great in itself. However, the reason I was exceptionally proud is that all the heads commented on how our children stood head and shoulders above the rest for their display of kindness, manners, co-operation and confidence without arrogance.

Best wishes,

### **British Science Week**

8 - 17 March 2019

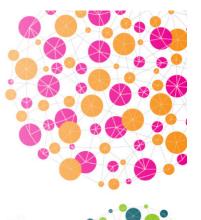
Windlesham School will be taking part in British Science Week again this year. The theme is 'Journeys'. The week long event will involve many activities including a national poster competition and culminating in a whole school BLAST Science day which includes shows and workshops for selected year groups. For more information on British Science Week, please visit:

www.britishscienceweek.org

and for details about Blast Science, visit: <u>www.blastscience.co.uk</u>

Reporter: Mrs Colley

British Science Week 2019





## Headmaster's blog

Please click <u>here</u> to read the latest blog: 'Where have we been and where are we going?'





### Pied Piper summer camp - bookings now open

We are very pleased to announce that Windlesham School is now able to offer a summer holiday programme, to be run by Pied Piper. If you are planning ahead and looking for activities during the summer, please visit the website for more information and to make a booking:

https://www.piedpiperactivities.co.uk/locations\_windlesham.html



### Summer uniform

Although it is minus 3 degrees as I write, I am aware that next term we switch to the summer uniform. As this is the first time that we are ordering the new summer dresses for girls it may be prudent to get your order in early to avoid any dispatch delays. All school uniform items can be purchased from Sussex Uniforms, 40 Blatchington Road, Hove, BN3 3YH, tel. 01273 739676.



### Parking

Please continue to help park responsibly along Dyke Road and the surrounding areas when you pick-up and drop-off children. Please pay particular attention to parking restrictions on zig zag lines, disabled bays and the Fairways Estate. This is much appreciated by the school and by our neighbours.



# A balanced healthy lunchbox

Please remember we are a nut-free school when preparing lunchboxes. It is important to check labels as many products may contain a trace of nuts.

Thank you for your help in this matter. Please do not include any sweets in your child's lunchbox. A balanced, healthy lunchbox is really important.

Also, please could we ask all parents and carers to check the Portal to ensure you have informed us about any allergies your child might have.









# **Topics of interest**

# Year 3 and year 1 share their love of books

Year 1 has been thoroughly enjoying their weekly visits from the year 3 children. Every Friday afternoon, year 1 pair up with a friend in year 3 and share books together, reading them and talking about the stories. It is a wonderful end to the week for the children.

In year 1 we have been looking at Julia Donaldson books in our English lessons. The children made Gruffalo crumble so that we could write some instructions on how we made it. The children really enjoyed doing this and were able to produce some brilliant writing. The crumble tasted delicious!

Reporter: Mrs Jeffery

## Year 2 WOW day

WOW day launched our new topic on the Romans with great enthusiasm. It was fabulous to see everyone make such an effort with dressing up. Year 2 was transformed into the ancient world where we sampled their food, made mosaics out of sweets and artwork displaying ancient buildings. We are all very excited about the topic ahead of us.

**Reporter: Mrs Lilley** 

## Year 3 WOW day

Year 3 had a wonderful WOW day to kick off our new topic; 'Life at the Extremes'. We (including the teachers!) dressed up as explorers for the day. We spent time creating questions about what the children would like to learn. Year 3 are particularly interested in different animals found in extreme conditions, famous explorers and extreme weather conditions. We will ensure they learn about these fascinating areas.

#### Reporter: Miss Dorricott-Juniper











## Lancing College Midwinter Gala

#### Tuesday 15th January

Windlesham took an U11 team of 5 to the Lancing College Midwinter Gala this week. 18 teams participated from Sussex, Essex and Kent.

Windlesham won their heats comfortably and qualified for the final of both the Freestyle Relay and Medley Relay.

In the final we came second in both races, narrowly missing out on gold medals by a fraction of a second in the Medley relay. It was an exceptional effort by all the children; Zac, Emma, George, Harry and Eli, who well and truly deserve their silver medals.



Reporter: Mr Lambert

### Netball v Lancing Hove

#### U11 - Wednesday 16th January

After deciding the first centre, the girls were straight into position and off to a flying start. It was extremely windy which didn't help play and certainly worked against the shooters. After a few misses, Lancing scored taking an early lead in the first quarter. We moved players around and pulled a goal back in the second quarter, only to go one down in the third. The final quarter saw the girls walk onto court determined, they scored on the first centre and then again on the next.

The final score was 3-2. Well done to all the girls who proved their versatility in playing a range of positions on court.

#### U9 - Thursday 24th January

It was a tight match for the year 4s, yesterday, with play moving from one end to the other very quickly. We didn't win this match but we did see some great performances from the girls who have been working hard on their footwork and positioning. We look forward to being invited back for another match soon!

Player of the match chosen by the opposition: Florence Coach's player of the match: Penny

Reporter: Mrs Fox





# Sport

### Biathlon at the Towers

#### Wednesday 23rd January

The girls in years 5 and 6 had the opportunity to take part in a new biathlon event at the Towers Convent School. The girls had two different levels to compete in, running 600m or 800m, before transitioning into the pool for a four length swim. With a bit of careful planning the girls decided to run in their swim hats and have their goggles and towels on poolside ready for the transition. It was all over pretty quickly and as you can see from the table below, they did really well.

Level 3	Level 2
3rd: Emma	2nd: Katie
4th: Sophie	3rd: Lola
7th: Zoe	4th: Hermione
	6th: Polly

Well done to all the girls and we hope to run a biathlon event here at Windlesham in the Spring term.

Reporter: Mrs Fox





### Netball v Lancing Hove

#### U8 - Thursday 24th January

The year 3s really enjoyed their match against Lancing Hove this week. The match was well balanced with equal opportunities for both teams to show their defensive and attacking skills. Windlesham's interception and enthusiasm to regain the ball was exceptionally strong. Both goals were scored by Willow, with great set up from the rest of the team. We look forward to our next match.

Players of the match chosen by the opposition: Elise and Fawn

Reporter: Mrs Lilley



# Diary 2018-2019

#### **Important Dates**

WEDNESDAY 30TH JANUARY Netball: U11 v Shoreham College, 14.30 (Away)

THURSDAY 31ST JANUARY Netball and football: U8 & U9 v Shoreham College, 14.00 (Away)

FRIDAY 1ST FEBRUARY Year 4 trip to Horrible Histories, Theatre Royal, 10.30 Year 2 Roman Day

MONDAY 4TH FEBRUARY Internet Safety Week - details TBC

WEDNESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY Football and Netball U11 v Our Lady of Sion: 14.00 (Away)

FRIDAY 8TH FEBRUARY Charity Reps visit Oaklands Nursing Home (during the school day) Open Classroom, 15.30 - 16.15

TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY English/ Spelling workshops for parents and carers, 9.00 - 9.30

WEDNESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY Netball: U11 v BHP: 14.30 (Away)

THURSDAY 14TH FEBRUARY Informal Spring concert (by invitation): 16.00 Last Day of Half-Term

FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY INSET Day - school closed to pupils

# School Term Dates 2018/2019

#### Spring Term 2018

**Staff Inset day** Monday 7th January

**Term starts** Tuesday 8th January

**Staff Inset day** Friday 15th February

Half term holiday Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February inclusive

**Term ends** Friday 29th March

#### Summer Term 2019

Easter Monday Monday 22nd April (school closed)

**Staff Inset day** Tuesday 23rd April

**Term starts** Wednesday 24th April

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May (school closed)

Half term holiday Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May inclusive

**Term ends** Friday 12th July



#### Autumn Term 2019

Staff Inset days Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September

**Term starts** Wednesday 4th September

# Diary 2019 - 2020

#### Term Dates 2019 - 2020

#### AUTUMN TERM 2019

Staff Inset Days:	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September & Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Term Starts:	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term Holiday:	Monday 21st October – Friday 1st November inclusive
Term Ends:	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December

#### SPRING TERM 2020

Staff Inset Day:	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
Term Starts:	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
Staff Inset Day:	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February
Half Term Holiday:	Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday, 21 <sup>st</sup> February inclusive
Term Ends:	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March

#### SUMMER TERM 2020

Term Ends:	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July
Half Term Holiday:	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May inclusive
Bank Holiday:	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May (school closed)
Term Starts:	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
Staff Inset Day:	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April

# Friends of Windlesham

# How to get involved

Currently, most FOW committee members are year 6 parents who will be leaving Windlesham at the end of this school year. In order to ensure that FOW can continue to fundraise and provide great events for parents and staff we need new committee members to come forward as soon as possible. Please contact chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk to find out more.

Along with this newsletter, you will receive a leaflet detailing the many ways you can get involved.

Also, please contact your year group reps listed below if you have any ideas regarding future events.

We look forward to your continued support.

#### Year group reps:

- Owlets Hannah Mitchell and Jennie Tasker
- **Reception Catherine Dawson**
- Year 1 Mary Andrawos
- Year 2 Rowan Farnell and Julia Luikenga
- Year 3 Mel Dymott and Caroline Vera
- Year 4 Abi Dier and Chrissie Adams
- Year 5 Elle Phillips

#### Save the date!

#### **THURSDAY 21 MARCH**

FOW Staff and Parent Quiz rematch is scheduled for March 21st. Join us for food, bar, quiz and lots of fun. More details to be announced in the next newsletter.

#### Join in the fun, meet other parents and help the Windlesham community!



Please email chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk

# **Achievements**

## Merit Badges

The following children are to be congratulated for their tremendous effort or positive attitude (as at Friday 25th January):

#### Lower School

Ihsaan, Hugo, Teddy, Louis, Oscar C, Summer, Charlie, Alexi and Willow.

#### **Upper School**

Nicolas, Mabel, Florence, Flontan, Lola and Zoe.

### **Owls Awards**

The following children have recently been congratulated for good work:

Nicole, Allegra, Dylan, Max F, Reuben, Theo T, Oscar D, Diego, Elias, Emily, Annan, Idrees, Joshi, Edward, Isaac D, Zach, Raphael, Fawn, Penny, Molly, Ollie H, Buckley, Astrid,

Emma, Katie, Daisy and Billy.



#### Facebook

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page **www.facebook.com/WindleshamSchool** which is regularly updated with news of the latest events and activities.

# The Prefects for this part of the term are as follows:

2L	Freddie Hugo
2S	ldrees Oscar
3M	Jesse Raphael
3K	Isabella Willow
4C	Jem Michael
4M	Lola Shayan
5C	Faris Lola
5G	Ollie Zoe

# The School Councillors are as follows:

Year 5	Maria, Orla, Yasin and Scarlett
Year 4	Florence, James, Cameron and Isaac D

Year 3 Elliot, Summer, Willow and Subhan



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