



A message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very pleased to see everyone is now back and in full flow of their studies.



As I walk around the school it is clear to me that children are engaged and enjoying their lessons and friends.

However, what gives me just as much pleasure is to see how many children this term have decided to participate in one or more of the many clubs, choirs and squads we offer, especially the children who have decided to try something new; a clear sign of the Windlesham spirit of adventure.

Best wishes,

The new build

We have now started our third month of the build and have a great deal to report. As you will have seen on the display at the front of the school, the demolition is complete and work is well under way to construct the new building.

With the foundations completed, one of the next stages will be to establish all the drainage runs and then put together the steel framework which will form the skeleton of the building. This should be completed by November.

I will continue to keep you posted on developments throughout the year.

Reporter: Mr Ingrassia



Proposed West Elevation.



Proposed East Elevation.

July's Newsletter

We are sorry that the July newsletter wasn't received by Parents and Carers by email on the last day of term, Friday 12th July. To read this copy, please visit the School website:

<https://www.windleshamschool.co.uk/news/>

Preparing children for life



General information

Windlesham Promises

You will have seen from my start of term letter that Windlesham has launched a set of promises as a sign of our commitment to your children's education. Over the course of the year, I will be sharing blogs about these promises and how they are being delivered. For more information, please refer to my first blog for this year: <https://www.windleshamschool.co.uk/the-windlesham-school-promises/>



Curriculum summary and homework learning grid

Curriculum summaries for the Autumn Term are available on the school website detailing the key topics and areas of learning for each year group. Please click on the links below:

<https://www.windleshamschool.co.uk/curriculum/lower-school/>

<https://www.windleshamschool.co.uk/curriculum/upper-school/>

Your child's Autumn Term homework learning grid can also be accessed on the school website on the curriculum

Parking

Can we please remind you of the importance of parking safely on Dyke Road. Although it can be difficult to find a space, we would still insist that parents do not use the disabled spot unless they are badge holders and that they definitely do not park on the zigzag lines. Parking on the zigzag lines poses a clear danger to children.



A balanced healthy lunch box

Please remember we are a nut-free school when preparing lunchboxes and snacks. **It is important to check labels as many products may contain traces of nuts, such as pesto and nutella.**

Also, please could we ask you to check the Portal to ensure you have informed the school about any allergies and dietary requirements your child might have.

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



School Activities

Philosophy and conservation

Continuing with our new plans for philosophy, all children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be thinking about the same theme of Conservation. As usual, the children will be given a poem, story or picture and some key questions to take home as their stimulus for discussion. It would be really great if you could find some time to discuss the questions together and jot down a few ideas.

Some of the main issues we will be talking about include: What does conserving nature mean?; What are the factors that cause pollution in our air and water?; How can we help to conserve and improve both our local environment and, on a wider scale, the planet?

Reporter: Mrs Martin

WOW Day, Year 1

Year 1 had a fantastic 'Dinosaur Day' to launch their exciting topic "Digging for Dinosaurs". Children dressed up as dinosaurs, palaeontologists and explorers. The fun day consisted of a dinosaur hunt, creating salt dough fossils, dinosaur songs and making yummy dinosaur biscuits. Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their day and we are excited to start our dinosaur cross-curricular learning journey.

Reporter: Mrs Jeffery



WOW Day, Year 2

To launch our Year 2 topic on Brighton and Hove we enjoyed dressing up and wearing something that represented our local area.

WOW day for Brighton and Hove included sharing facts about our home town, finding Brighton on a map, making seagulls and constructing a model of the i360 using paper and tape. We definitely have some architects in the making and are very excited about the topic ahead.

Reporter: Mrs Slater



School Activities

WOW Day, Year 3

Year 3 had a fantastic WOW day to kick off their new topic; The Iron Age. They made plaited bread rolls and took part in a food tasting activity, identifying different berries and vegetables. Children also made a druid protection amulet and created their own crowns from flowers, herbs and leaves which were picked from the Windlesham School garden.

Reporter: Miss Dorricott-Juniper



Sport Update

I would like to say a huge thank you for the great welcome I have had from staff, parents and pupils. Your friendliness is greatly appreciated and I have really enjoyed my start here at Windlesham School.

Swim Squads have got off to a great start as all the pupils involved have put in a fantastic effort and shown great commitment during the sessions. I am certain with this dedication and motivation we can continue to improve our speed and technique during the weeks ahead.

Next week will be very exciting as it marks the beginning of our **football and netball fixtures** with the U10 Netball team taking on Lancing Worthing, whilst the U11 Football team play in a tournament at Lancing Worthing. We end the week with the U9 Football team playing in a triangle fixture against Lancing Prep and Shoreham College. I feel extremely positive about the fixtures as I have been really impressed with the standard and commitment to the football lessons in PE and the afterschool football clubs, and I have also heard very encouraging feedback about the netball lessons.

Lastly, I would like to bring attention to the free **tag rugby** sessions we have available at lunchtimes. There is a Year 3 and 4 session on Tuesdays, and a Year 5 and 6 session on Fridays. It would be fantastic to see as many pupils as possible add their names to the sign up sheet on the PE notice board.

Reporter: Mr Wilkinson

Term dates

AUTUMN TERM 2019

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

SPRING TERM 2020

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

SUMMER TERM 2020

- Staff Inset Day: Monday 20th April
- Term Starts: Tuesday 21st April**
- Bank Holiday: Friday 8th May (*changed from Monday 4th May*) (school closed)
- Half Term Holiday: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May inclusive**
- Term Ends: Friday 10th July**



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.

Friends of Windlesham

Welcome back!

And we're back! A new year at Windlesham and I hope everyone has settled in well. FOW has lots planned this term. First on the agenda is our Second Hand Book Sale, on Wednesday 25th September, dedicated to funding the final stage of the WONDER project. It's a great time to clear out all your unwanted children's books. Ms Christofis is accepting donations in the office on the 20th and 23rd September so please check your bookcase for any books that could do with a new home.

FOW is going to miss the support of all our leaver parents. If you'd like to get involved and support the school just drop me a line. Whether you're able to join the committee and help organise events or just a keen baker or musician who can help out every now and then, we'd love to hear from you.

Jenny,
Chair, Friends of Windlesham
chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk



Noticeboard

WEDNESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

Second Hand Book Sale
15.30 - 16.00

THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER

Lower School Halloween Disco
15.30 - 17.00

FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Pub Quiz for parents, carers and staff
19.45

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Christmas Fayre
15.30 - 17.30

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Upper School Christmas Disco
18.00 - 19.30

MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Lower School Christmas parties



Friends of Windlesham

The FOW pages below appeared in the July newsletter:

Annual round up from Ms Wolfe - July 2019

Well, the sun is setting on another busy year for FOW.

This year, we sold Christmas cards, pulled off the Christmas Fayre, delivered the Upper School disco and two Lower School Christmas parties, hosted our first fringe show and ended the year with a barn dancing Summer Fayre.

We also funded the Wonder Project to the tune of £4,000, the Science day at £575, the anti-bullying day and three carousel days for the Lower School.

All of this would not have been possible without the efforts of many people. First thank you's go to our hard working year group reps (2018-19) who make the job easier:

Hannah Mitchell	Nursery
Jenny Tasker	Nursery
Mary Andrawos	Year 1
Julia Luikenga	Year 2
Rowan Farnell	Year 2
Caroline Vera	Year 3
Mel Dymott	Year 3
Chrissie Adams	Year 4
Abi Dier	Year 4
Elle Phillips	Year 5

Thank you to all the parents and families who support all the events, bake cakes, donate raffle prizes, volunteer on stalls. It is all truly appreciated. We also have to thank Mrs Fox for her logistics and planning support, Mrs Blaylock and Ms Christofis in the school office, Site Managers; Mr Lyle, Mr Kearns and Mr Waller, and all the staff who help at our events.

Finally, a huge thank you to the FOW committee: Claire Colquhoun, Abi Dier, Rowan Farnell, Deborah Holt, Jill Mitchell and Vivienne Mugunga for all their hard work this year.



Friends of Windlesham

Thank you to Ms Wolfe!

A huge thank you to Ms Wolfe for all her years of service as the Chair of Friends of Windlesham. Ms Wolfe has played a pivotal role in raising money for Windlesham's enrichment programmes and created some truly memorable events. I also want to thank her for all her support this term in the transition to the new FOW team.

I'm really looking forward to the new school year. We have a book sale, Halloween disco, parents pub quiz night, family trips and Christmas Fayre planned in the Autumn term. If you'd like to get involved or just have some ideas you can drop me a line at chairperson@friendsofwindlesham.co.uk

Jenny
Chair, FOW



Summer Fayre 2019



FOW survey

I also wanted to say thank you to all those who completed the Friends of Windlesham survey. You really have helped us to decide how best to focus our efforts. We have learnt how communication can be improved and how much you value our role as community builders as well as fundraisers. We've learnt that yoga, mindfulness and social sporting events are of particular interest to many parents and carers. I have also been delighted to see all the offers of help and support come in.

Thank you again for your support, and please feel free to contact me via your class rep.

Chair, FOW

Achievements

Merit Badges

The following children are to be congratulated for their tremendous effort or positive attitude (as at 20th September 2019):

Nathaniel, Kareem, Subhan, Scarlett C, Annan, Daniel, Fawn and Lila.

Owls Awards

Nicole, Quang, Arthur, Kai Jing, Hugo V, Sophia C, Ellie, Jayden, Raphael, Fawn, Alex H-T, Heidi, Jing Shuen, Elodie, Subhan, Mason, Katie, Max M and Matthew.

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

2S Hugo
Tamara

3M Arabella
Jackson

3K Louis
Milo

4C Genie
Ores

4M Albert
Khadeeja

5C Alex
Mabel

5G James
Matilda

Last but not least, Your Child in ... Presentations

If you were unable to attend the start of year presentations offered for each year group last week, please click the Parent Information link on our website to download copies of our presentations and flyers
<https://www.windleshamschool.co.uk/information/parent-information/>



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