

Monday 20th May 2024



Windmill Weekly

A highlight from last week...

Pictured is Mirlana, looking very scared!

She was taking part in a drama workshop at The Telford Langley School in Dawley, one of two local schools that are in Community Academies Trust with us.

Both Year 4 classes had the opportunity to visit this secondary school drama department and enjoyed the experience of being on stage.

We look to spot and nurture talent in all children, so we were naturally very impressed to see how some children could completely immerse themselves in a role.

Head Lines



Mr Gibbons, Headteacher

As we approach the half-term break, the sun has been shining and we haven't had as much rain. This has given us more opportunity to be outside and enjoying our wonderful school grounds.

Do your children enjoy playing outside?

I know parents and carers can sometimes worry about children playing outside independently, but I want to encourage you to let them.

Of course it's important to be very clear about your expectations, and for you to want to check who they will be with, where they will be and what time they need to come home. If you're worried about this, why not build up the amount of independence your child has slowly? Try letting them go out for 15-20 minutes to begin with.

Give important messages to your children every time: not to go with strangers; stay away from lakes and rivers; be friendly and polite; keep outside areas tidy... Stay safe and have a good break from school.



The five strands of our strategic plan are:

- **Metacognition** (children understanding their learning journey) '**We learn well**'
- **Interaction** (all of us speaking, listening and communicating effectively) '**We speak well**'
- **Writing** (using extensive vocabulary, correct grammar and punctuation) '**We write well**'
- **Collaboration** (partnering with others to improve what we do) '**We work together**'
- **Aspiration** (bringing the best out in each other and aiming high) '**We are inspired**'



What's going on?

To help you keep up with everything, the office staff and teaching staff will use this page to remind and prompt you about school events!

Other news and notices

Free bagels in the hall starts at 8:35am - Children arriving between 8:20am and 8:35am will be charged 50p.

Lost Property - Always displayed by the main office on Tuesdays from 7:45am until 3:45pm.

ParentPay - Please ensure that you log in to ParentPay regularly to prevent missing important information.

End of School Day - Please do not come onto the playground or wait outside classrooms until after 3:10pm. This is to ensure the safeguarding of all children.

Dinner Money - The price for primary meals has increased by 20p per meal to **£2.70** per meal since 1st April 2024.

Dogs On School Grounds - just a reminder dogs are not allowed on the school grounds.

Latest House Point totals:
Henmoor 6184, Cluddley 5320,
Upton 5720 and Rowton 5544.

Things to remember/help with

Reception

- See if you can make an obstacle course in the garden or house. Can you make it have big movements and small movements, crawling, hopping, jumping? Can your grown ups have a try too?

Year 1

- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/poa12GTS/BFt7g1g5>

Year 2

- Practice multiples of 2, 3, 5 and 20.

Year 3

- Don't forget to keep practising your spellings and times tables on Emile over the half-term!

Year 4

- Children in school will be doing lots of arts and crafts and will become pirates!

Year 5

- We have a D&T day this week and we're going to be cooking fajitas! Why not get in the kitchen with your families and show off your cooking skills!

Year 6

- Well done everyone in your SATs last week!

Clubs

(Priority for clubs is given to invited children, based on their needs and interests)

Monday:

- Year 3 and 4 Football
- FunZone (Community lead)
- Year 1 and 2 Mini Tennis

Tuesday:

- Year 5 and 6 Boys Football
- Year 3 and 4 Tennis

Wednesday:

- Year 3 to 6 mixed ability Football Fundamentals
- Year 3 to 6 Athletics
- Year 3 to 6 Gymfinity

Thursday:

- Year 5 and 6 Rounders
- Year 1 and 2 Football

Friday:

- Year 3 to 6 girls Football
- Year 3 to 6 GemDanceAcademy

Term Dates:

Break up Friday 24th May
Start back Monday 3rd June
PD Day Friday 21st June
Break up Friday 19th July

Please don't forget to connect with your child's class on ClassDojo and set up ParentPay, we use these to communicate with you all the time. Ask for help at the office if you need to.

10 things every Windmill parent/carer should know...

10. Rewards and Consequences (R's and C's) are shared with you on ClassDojo, so you should know if your child is getting positive recognition for their attitude and behaviour. We put the emphasis on the positives, and C's are there to warn children away from the negatives.