

Friday 10th January 2025

Weekly Newsletter

The **DIAMOND**
Learning Partnership Trust
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To be the best you can be!



Dear Parents and carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New Year! As we begin another exciting year at Winhills Primary Academy, I am filled with optimism and enthusiasm for the opportunities and experiences that lie ahead for our children. The new year brings with it the promise of fresh starts and new possibilities, and I am eager to work together with you to make 2025 a year filled with growth, learning, and success for all our pupils.

After seven wonderful years as part of our Trust and school community, we are sad to announce that Clark, our beloved school dog, will be retiring. Clark has been much more than just a school dog – he has been a friend, a listener, and a source of calm and happiness for everyone. Enjoy your retirement Clark, you'll be missed.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Let's make this year a memorable and rewarding one for our entire school community.

Warm regards,

Mrs d'Ancu

Colour Raffle

To help raise money for our upcoming school trips, we are excited to announce a whole school raffle. Here's how it will work:

1. **Class Colour Scheme:** Each class will be assigned a colour next week. We will inform you of your child's class colour scheme.
2. **Colour Day:** At the end of the month, all children are invited to come to school dressed in their class colour.
3. **Raffle Donations:** In addition to dressing up, we ask that each child bring in something of that colour to donate for the raffle. This could be something like an item of clothing, a toy, or even an unwanted Christmas gift! If you have a suitable donation ready before the end of the month, feel free to bring it in early – we welcome contributions at any time!
4. **Raffle Tickets:** We will be selling raffle tickets throughout the month to raise funds for the trips. There will be a variety of exciting prizes for the raffle, and all the money raised will go towards supporting the school trips.

We truly appreciate your support in making this event a success, and we look forward to seeing all the creative outfits and generous donations.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs Smith

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 13 th January until Friday 17 th January	Healthy Schools Week
Thursday 23 rd January	Year 6 Young Voices at the O2 Arena
3 rd , 4 th , 5 th and 6 th February	Bike ability for Yr5 and Yr6
Monday 17 th February—Friday 21 st February	Half Term
Monday 24 th February	Spring Term Continues
Wednesday 12 th March	SEND Parents Evening
Tuesday 25 th March and Wednesday 26 th March	Parents Evening
Friday 4 th April	Reward Day and Term ends
Monday 7 th April—Monday 21 st April	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22 nd April	Training Day
Wednesday 23 rd April	Summer Term starts

Attendance Matters!

Any class with 100% attendance for the week will be able to break two uniform rules the following Friday. For example, wear trainers, wear bright coloured socks, wear nail varnish, wear a bright coloured jumper etc. The class with the best attendance of the week will receive an extra playtime the following week.

EYFS.KS1 Class	Weekly Attendance % WB 16.12.2024
Einstein	91.54%
Coleman	96%
Rashford	97.86%

KS2 Class	Weekly Attendance % WB 16.12.2024
Attenborough	91.67%
Frank	98.18%
Nightingale	96.50%
Armstrong	96.36%
Jordan	90%



As we are experiencing very cold weather, we would like to remind everyone to please ensure that your child comes to school dressed warmly. It's important that all students wear hats, gloves, and coats to stay comfortable and safe during outdoor activities.

We recommend layering up and ensuring that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name to avoid lost belongings.