

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of the first half term, we want to thank you for your continued support. It has been a busy time at school, and we are excited for the upcoming half term, especially with Christmas activities on the horizon!

A special thank you to those parents who have participated in our events. In the next half term, we have a "Sums and Buns" event on Wednesday 13th November at 9am, where you can sit with your child in class and learn number together. This is a great opportunity to see how we teach maths and the methods we use. Refreshments will be served afterwards for parents to discuss their experience in the classroom.

We're also inviting parents to join us for an art afternoon on 27th November at 1.30pm to make Christmas decorations. This festive event will allow you to spend quality time with your child while enjoying some creative activities.

I'm currently in touch with the elves at the North Pole to see if Santa can take a moment to visit Winhills, so stay tuned!

Please remember to be cautious with organized bonfire and fireworks displays over the half term.



Wishing you a safe and enjoyable break!

Best regards,

Mrs d'Arcy





The month of November is recognised as the month of remembrance primarily due to Armistice Day, observed on November 11th, which marks the end of World War I in 1918. This day is dedicated to honouring those who lost their lives in military service. The entire month often includes various remembrance activities, culminating in Remembrance

Sunday, typically held on the second Sunday of November. Poppies, inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields," have become a symbol of remembrance, representing the sacrifice of soldiers and the hope for peace.

We're excited to offer handmade crochet poppies for remembrance this November, a month dedicated to honouring those we've lost. All proceeds will go to charity. The small poppies are available for $\pounds1.00$ each, and the larger ones are $\pounds2.00$. Supplies are limited, so be sure to get yours while they last!



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 28 th October—Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 4 th November	Training Day – no children in school.
Tuesday 5 th November	Autumn Term continues
Wednesday 13 th November	9am– 10am Sums and Buns:
	Parents invited to sit with your child in a maths lesson.
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need Day
Wednesday 20 th November	Reception - Einstein Class Vision Screening.
Monday 25th November	PANTO DAY (children only)
Tuesday 26th November	2pm Parent Anxiety Workshop
Friday 22 nd November	Flu Vaccination Programme – details to follow.
Wednesday 27th November	1.30pm Parent and child creative festive art afternoon
Monday 2nd December	Wishing on the Lights Assembly (children only)
Friday 6th December	National Santa Dash- details to follow
Monday 9th Decemeber	9.30am Reception– Einstein Class Nativity
Tuesday 10th December	2pm KS1 Christmas Play (tickets to be issued)
Wednesday 11th December	9:45am KS1 Christmas Play (tickets to be issued)
Wednesday 11th December	2pm Y3, Y4 and Y5 Christmas Play (tickets to be issued)
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Jumper Day -Christmas Lunch Day-
	4pm Christmas Fair
Friday 13th December	9:45am Y3, Y4 and Y5 Christmas Play (tickets to be issued)
Friday 13th December	2.30pm Rock Steady Concert– Parents welcome to watch.

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.

Class	Weekly Attendance % WB 07.10.2024	Weekly Attendance % WB 14.10.2024
Einstein	96.95%	96.91%
Coleman	94.40%	97.20%
Rashford	94.62%	96.92%
Frank	98.57%	96.67%
Attenborough	97.27%	95.45%
Nightingale	97%	94%
Armstrong	97.50%	96.25%
Jordan	93.21%	90.36%

Weekly Achievers Awards

Each week, class teachers will choose a achievers award to someone who has shown excellent effort and outstanding learning in school. These will be announced during our Friday assembly :-)

Class	Achievers
	18 th October
Einstein	George
Coleman	Kenna
Rashford	Caden
Frank	Darcie
Nightingale	Olivia
Attenborough	Alice
Armstrong	Shannon
Jordan	Sophie

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RRR Award:

Tahlia- Coleman Class

Tahlia is a delight to have in Coleman Class. She is incredibly reliable and can always be trusted to carry out any task with great responsibility. She demonstrates the most exemplary choices throughout her day at school and is always ready to start learning, showing her true role-model behaviours. Well done Tahlia on adapting to Year 1 life with such great resolve, an achievement to be proud of.

Winhills Achievement Cup (WAC):

Amber-Jordan Class

I am thrilled to be able to present the Winhills Achievement Cup to Amber! Amber has been working super hard in all aspects of her learning this year so far but a special mention needs to be made with reference to her reading. Incredibly, Amber has now read and quizzed on an amazing 9 books and has a fantastic total of over 436,000 words read. In addition to this, Amber has shown great progress and confidence in challenging herself to tackle things outside of her comfort zone. She

has really been putting her resilience to the test and has had great successes as a result. Amber, I am very proud of your achievements as you should be. Congratulations on a great start to the year and for being voted in to represent our class as a school councillor. We are really looking forward to all of your inspiring contributions and achievements as the year progresses.

Art Award:

Jasmine - Frank Class

Jasmine thoroughly deserves this award for her patience and careful consideration when executing her artwork. She is an incredibly hardworking artist who always pays such attention to the fine details. We have been particularly impressed when she highlighted these skills in our Art lessons last half term. Jasmine explored sections of flowers and beautifully sketched her interpretation of an abstract image. If she ever encounters a problem, Jasmine uses her growth mindset to find a solution and complete the task to the best of her ability! Keep up the great work, Jasmine!

Class	Achievers
	25 th October
Einstein	Aylla
Coleman	Logan
Rashford	Reggie
Frank	Cameron
Nightingale	Ewan
Attenborough	Sasha
Armstrong	David
Jordan	Alexandra

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RRR Award:

Isla- Attenborough Class

Isla is a wonderful member of Attenborough class and brings such a positive energy to our learning environment. She can be relied upon to do absolutely anything she is asked and her mature attitude during lessons is truly inspiring. Isla understands the importance of being re-sponsible for her own attitude, behaviour, and learning and it shows in everything she does. Her respectful nature and eagerness to lend a hand make her a standout student, perfectly embodying the values of the RRR award. Every day, Isla brings joy to the classroom with her kindness and dedication. Isla, you have made the first half term back a dream and your contributions have not gone unnoticed. Thank you for all your hard work and support. You are truly amazing! Keep shining bright!

Winhills Achievement Cup (WAC):

Delta - Rashford Class

Delta has made a great start in her learning journey in Year 1. Not only is she progressing academically, her confidence and positivity towards her own learning are continuing to blossom and flourish. Delta is never fazed by a challenge and always looks for ways to improve her work. I am always so impressed with how Delta throws herself into all of her earning and no challenge ever fazes her. Her storytelling in particular is fantastic. She retells stories with great enthusiasm using actions. It is a pleasure to have Delta in Rashford class. We are so proud of her progress so far this year and I can't wait to see her continue her learning journey. Well done Delta, keep up the hard work!

Art Award:

Christina - Einstein Class

Christina has worked extremely hard throughout the term showcasing her natural ability to excel across the arts. Recently, she has improved her cutting skills to create a very spiky hedgehog, carefully created an autumn leaf sun catcher, and explored shade and tone at the painting easel. She thoroughly challenges herself to improve her work, by going back and revisiting her work and creating an even more outstanding piece. Once she is happy with what she has created, she shares her knowledge with the others in the class, which is a joy to see. We can't wait to see what Christina will create next. Keep up being super creative.



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Be a Part of Our School Community

We invite all parents, carers, and teachers to join us in making a positive impact on our school and students' lives. Whether you have a little or a lot of time to give, your involvement can make an enormous difference!

Why Join the PTA?

Support School Initiatives: Help raise funds for resources, school trips, and extracurricular activities. Build Community: Connect with other parents, carers, and teachers. Have a Voice: Share your ideas and feedback to help shape school policies and events.

Our fun events and contributions to school would not be possible without the continued support of our volunteers and PTA members. if you wish to sign up to help, find out more about what we do, give feedback, or even just receive regular updates, please check out our new Facebook group:

Winhills PTA

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