

Winhills Primary Academy

Part of The Diamond Learning Partnership Trust

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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to extend a massive thank you to the Winhills community. Over the term, I have been really impressed with how the children have settled in and all of the hard work that they are producing. This has been shared in the wonderful achievement assemblies and the end of term awards assembly. The children have been very busy over the last few weeks rehearsing for the various Christmas productions. It is always lovely to spend some time in the hall listening to their beautiful singing. Their final performances were fantastic. I was proud of all of the children. The last two days have been very busy with the children having their reward day for recognition of their hard work over the term. I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the Spring Term.

History off the Page

Year 3 and Year 4 had the opportunity to take part in the 'Roman' History of the page day, this term. The children really enjoyed this and have used their fantastic history knowledge to produce some great pieces of work not only in the classroom but in the ICE Zone.

Children in Need

To start off our fund raising for Children in Need, we were lucky to have a visit from Pudsey Bear on the 9th November. On the 17th November the children wore their slippers or silly socks and along with the Country File Ramble and from the sale of Pudsey wrist bands, we were able to raise an incredible £481.00 for Children in Need. Thank you again for all your kind donations and support for this event.

Book Fair

Once again with your support, we raised £750.00 at our recent Book Fair. This will be put towards new books for the children.

Year 5 and 6 Big Bake

Thank you to everyone that donated some of the ingredients and baked some of the delicious cakes for the recent Big Bake. We raised £180.00, which will be put towards the Year 5 and Year 6 learning environment. Again, a big thank you for all your support. Look out for the next Big Bake date!

Sports Update

The children in KS2 were very excited to take part in the Diamond Learning Partnership Trust's sports tournaments. Events took place at Winhills Primary Academy across November. The children played a range of sports including football, tag rugby, netball and dodgeball. All the children played brilliantly and were extremely proud to take part.

Winhills football B team visited Crosshall on Thursday 9th November 2017 to take part in a football tournament. Well-done to all the players who took part. Well done Winhills!

Winhills football A Team visited Houghton Primary School on Thursday 2nd November 2017 to take part in the Hunts District Primary Schools F.A Tournament
Match Report from Ashley (Year 6)

"It was a very even match but Roundhouse took there chance brilliantly and scored with a couple of minutes to go."

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School Uniform

Children need to have their PE kit and a pair of wellies in school at all times.

As a reminder, the standard uniform consists of:

- White or blue polo shirts (plain)
- Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore with the length of skirt to be no shorter than just above the knee
- Grey or white socks, royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan (available from school with the school emblem)
- Royal blue pullover or cardigan.
- **Black footwear, shoes (not trainers)**

Hair – all long hair to be tied back, so that your child's vision is not impaired. Girls and boys may wear gel, ponytails or hair bands, but no extreme fashion hairstyles please. **Please name every item of your child's school uniform.**

It is The Diamond Learning Partnership Trusts policy that earrings must not be worn for PE, and your child must be able to remove them if they wear them to school on PE days. Earrings should be small studs.

PE Kit

The children need a plain white t-shirt and plain blue/navy or black shorts. Please avoid strappy tops for the girls.

If your child comes to school without the appropriate items or kit a letter will be sent home with them indicating the missing item or appropriate school wear.

Uniform points will not be given out to pupils if they do not have the correct kit. If children do not gain enough points over the term they will need to come to school in their uniform on reward day.

School Dinners

The cost of a meal at school from September for children in Year 3, 4 5 & 6 is £2.25, meals for nursery children are £2.25 and adult meals are £3.20. Payment can now be made online, please ask the office staff for more information. You may order lunches on a daily basis but according to Local Authority's policy, all school lunches must be paid for in advance or on the day taken. School is not allowed to give more than one day's credit per child. As you know, any parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle can book to have a dinner with a child in the school any day of the week but we do require at least one day's notice where possible.

Achievement Awards

Well done to all the children who have received awards this half term. I look forward to many more children receiving awards next half term.

Friday 15th September 2017

Achievement Awards

Summer	Elliott	Shanice
Lilly Mae	Scarlet	
Caleb	Yasmyne	

Friday 22nd September 2017

Achievement Awards

Harvey	Lily-Mai	Dylan
Jacob	Peter	
Lucas	Alfie	

WAC - Shaun

RRR - Santhosh

ART -Lexi

Dates

Please look at the future dates at the end of the newsletter so you are aware of training days and holidays. All dates are on the website under the calendar section:

<http://www.winhills-cambs.co.uk/diary/list/>

Term Dates 2016-2017

19th December

Last day of term

Spring Term 2017

3rd January

Staff Training Day

4th January

Spring Term Starts

1st February

Young Voices

12th February -16th February

Half Term

Yours sincerely

J. W. Turner

Mr. John Turner

Head of School

On behalf of Winhills Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)

We welcome any comments you may have below:

To: Mr. John Turner, Head of School, Winhills Primary Academy, Off Duck Lane, St Neots, PE19 2DX

Child's name:

Comment: