October 2026

NEWSLETTER

Be the best you can be!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are at the end of the first half of the Autumn Term! The children have settled well into their new classes and routines, and we should all be proud of what we have achieved so far this academic year.

Recently, some of our children have attended sporting events. As always, their sportsmanship and behaviour were fantastic and we are very proud of the way they represented our school.



This week, some children from Years 3 and 4 took part in a Level 1 Bikeability workshop. They learnt important cycling skills, including getting ready to ride, controlling their bikes, looking around and signalling, as well as sharing space safely.

Last week, we held our individual school photography sessions. We hope you are pleased with your child's photograph. We also took time as a whole school to reflect on the impact of racism and participated in Wear Red Day, showing that we stand together against racism.



Last Friday, volunteers from Places for People worked tirelessly to improve our Spinney area, located near the Nursery playground. They made a fantastic difference to this provision, and we are very excited to be able to use the area again for outdoor learning activities with the children. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone involved for their hard work and support.

We recently held our school Book Fair, which generated £470.20 in sales. As a result, Scholastic will provide us with a reward of £192.08, which we will use to purchase more books for the children to enjoy in school. Many thanks to everyone who purchased books or stationery for their families.

Our Free Breakfast Club has been a huge success! We now have just under 50 children accessing this provision throughout the week, representing almost 30% of the children eligible to attend. As a reminder, please remember to book your child's place through Arbor. This helps us to plan staffing arrangements and ensure everything is ready before the start of the school day.

Thank you to all the families who attended Parents' Evening this week. We hope the meetings gave you a valuable insight into your child's achievements, how they are progressing in school and the areas we will continue to work on together moving forward.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely and safe half-term break and we look forward to welcoming the children back for the next half of the Autumn Term.

Best Wishes and keep safe, from all of the staff at Winhills.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October—Parents' Evening

Half term—Week Beginning Monday 26th October

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Monday 2nd November—Autumn Term continues

Friday 6th November—Vision Screening for EYFS

Monday 9th November—Friday 13th November—Data collection week for Free Breakfast Club (this data will help with funding this provision so it remains free for families)

Monday 16th November—Bikeability Level 1 and Level 2 (Year 5 and Year 6 children)

Wednesday 18th November—KS1 trip to cinema

Wednesday 18th November—New Parents EYFS Tours

Wednesday 25th November—New Parents EYFS Tours

Friday 27th November—KS2 trip to cinema

Thursday 10th December—Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 11th December—Rock Steady Concert

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Tuesday 15th December—EYFS and Key Stage 1 Nativity Performances

Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th December—Nursery Christmas Sing-A-Longs



