

Windmill Weekly (33)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for June- Equality

05 June 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break and enjoyed the sunshine!

Staff Changes for September

Mr Habbershaw will very sadly be leaving us at the end of this term to move to London. He will be greatly missed, not just for his teaching, but also for his fantastic contribution to leading and managing PE and sport across the school. We have appointed a new teacher, Mr Ollie Gamble to fill the vacancy.

Mr McCormack has also decided not to stay at Windmill following his return to work this term. He will also be missed. We are currently advertising a Reception Leader role for September.

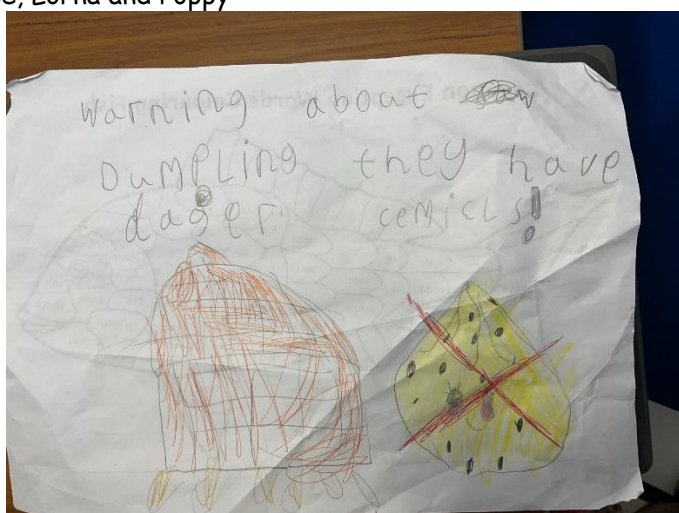
New Parent Governor

Following the election of a new parent Governor Joanne Gardner-Smith has been elected as the new representative.

Message re Dumpling Toys from 3 Year 1 Children

Squishy dumpling toys have become popular and lots of children are bringing them to school. We want to make sure everybody knows about warnings that have come out about chemicals in some dumplings. Make sure you check for safety markings!

Saoirse, Lorna and Poppy



Royal Academy Art Exhibition

Congratulations to Iona in Year 6 who has had her piece of art work selected to be displayed in the Young Royal Academy Art Exhibition. This is an incredible achievement as they always have over 20,000 entries.

Also congratulations to Ray in Year 4 whose art has been selected to be in the on-line exhibition. Another fantastic achievement.



Ray



Iona



Key Dates

12 June	Barn Dance
12 June	Coffee Morning 8.45am - 9.30am
16 June	1.30pm Festival of Voices
16 June	Great Science Share 8.30am - 9.00am
17 June	1.45pm Year 6 Production
18 June	Summer Dancing 9.15am - 10.15am
18 June	6pm Year 6 Production
19 June	INSET DAY - school closed to pupils
19 June	Legoland discounted trip
22 - 26 June	Kilvrough for Year 6
26 June	Year 1 Play 9.10am
17 June	Year 6 Performance 1.45pm
18 June	Year 6 Performance 6.00pm
30 June	Sports Day for Key Stage 2 1.30pm
30 June	Reception New Parent Meeting 9.15am - 10.00am
2 July	Sports Day for Key Stage 1 and Reception 9.15am
3 July	School Disco
6 July	iRock Assembly
9 July	Big Meal for Year 6
10 July	Summer Concert 9.00am
17 July	Leavers Service for Year 6 9.00am - 10.00am
17 July	End of Term 6 - break up at 2.30pm
3 September	Start of Term 1 2026 / 2027

Great Science Share

On 16 June you are welcome to come into school between 8.30am and 9.00am to see the results of the children's big science investigations.

Coffee Morning

Our next coffee morning will take place on Friday 12th June, 8.45am - 9.30am in the after-school club room. All parents/carers are welcome.

Jackie Aspden and Sally Painter from the Pastoral team look forward to seeing you.

Drowning Prevention Week

Please follow this link for some very useful information about prevention of drowning now we are approaching the warm Summer weeks.

<https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk/download/dd355ffc3e0d9f285c4fedc1c7415613riia5fp42pzebl8djf72kpp87gl3uln4344yu8l3e5mdmijzaigmgz02u526bx2uzdxn8dltpbbvgpjv23900d74992xb22upgvh.pdf>

PTA News

Last call for Legoland tickets. The deadline to buy your tickets is TODAY 8pm. Please make sure you get your tickets before then if you would like to come on Friday 19th June. All children need to be accompanied by an adult and you need to make your own way to Legoland. <https://app.classlist.com/events/#/events/view/1424780660>

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

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YOURSELF AND
ACHIEVE YOUR
GOALS



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STAY ACTIVE
AND BE PART OF
SOMETHING BIGGER



TRIAL DATES:

1ST JUNE
(MONDAY)

10TH JUNE
(WEDNESDAY)

13TH JUNE
(SATURDAY)

19TH JUNE
(FRIDAY)

11TH JULY
(SATURDAY)



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Does your child love making new friends?

The award-winning makers of *The Dog House* are **casting** for a brand-new **BBC** series about **friendship**.

We are looking for **children aged 5 to 8** from all over the UK who are sociable and enjoy making new friends.

If your child is interested (with no pressure to take part) please apply at:

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Does your child love making new friends? The team behind *The Dog House* is making a brand new **BBC** series **about childhood friendship** and are looking for **kids aged 5 to 8** who are sociable and enjoy making new friends.

If this sounds like your child – or someone you know – filming is in July/August 2026, and we would love to hear from you.

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