



# Wincle CE Primary School

*Wincle School creates an enriching and outstanding rural education, nurturing the whole individual: body, mind and soul, inspiring rounded, happy, courageous children who shine in all that they say and do, exhibiting a passion for learning, a confident faith, a loving concern for community and an inclusive respect for all.*

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

## **A message from the Headteacher, Mrs Smith:**

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and managed to enjoy some quality family time over the festive period.

It has been fantastic to get back to school and the pupils have begun the year with great enthusiasm, huge smiles and a fantastic attitude to their work: we even had children on our 'Shine Like Stars' board within the first hour of school starting again.

We start the term celebrating: you will hopefully have seen that we have hit the papers due to our excellent results in the summer term. Well, I am delighted to highlight the fact that actually, these excellent results were not a one-off! The results from July 2022 were never published due to the country recovering from Covid-19, but as you can see from the grid below, we have achieved well above expected the national average scores for the last two years running.

Subject area	School average 2022	National average 2022	School average 2023	National average 2023
Reading	113	105	113	105
Spelling, punctuation and grammar	115	105	115	105
Maths	114	104	110	104

Please note that there are no average scores for writing as this is not tested.

There is lots going on this term, and attached to this newsletter (or coming out later this week), you will find a curriculum newsletter for each class. These newsletters outline, in detail, what your child will be learning about this term. It also provides information for parents regarding important dates for the future and how you can help with homework. If you do have any questions, or feel you can enhance our provision from your own personal knowledge or experience, please do let the relevant class teacher know.

This term, we will be very much focusing on our core Christian values of hope, respect, compassion, perseverance and integrity. During both collective and class worships, we will be learning about each one and how we can actively display these values in our everyday lives. We will also be learning about British Values and ensuring that here at Wincle School, we actively promote them.

The school's Ethos Committee received training to lead worship back in the autumn term and so they will be leading one worship a week introducing our Ethos Rucksacks. These rucksacks are jam-packed with exciting resources to support class worship and each week, a new item will be added and explained. We will take time in Celebration Worship to showcase our brand-new rucksacks to parents also.

Please remember that we run an open-door policy at school, so please do get in touch if you ever have any worries or concerns.

Best wishes,  
Sarah Smith

### **New information:**

#### **Possible after school club**

Sylk Dance are offering a street dance club on a Monday after school. We will need a minimum of 10 children to sign up before the club can go ahead. The cost will be a maximum £4.50 per session but the more pupils we get, the cheaper it will be.

If your child would like to take part in this club, please email the school office by 12pm on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January so we can confirm whether we can go ahead or not.

#### **The local community**

The church have asked us to politely remind parents that the road access into church is only for prearranged use. This is to reduce the disruption to local residents.

#### **Payments**

If your child is having school lunches this term, please pay by the end of February to ensure we can collect all monies before the end of the financial year.

We also politely ask that all invoices for Preschool, clubs etc are paid promptly this term.

#### **SEN Coffee Afternoon**

We would like to warmly invite the parents of any child with SEN to our termly coffee afternoon. This will take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm in the church. Please join us if you can.

#### **Parent information meetings**

During the summer term, many of our cohorts have to sit national assessments. We are therefore providing parents with the relevant and up-to-date information about these assessments in the form of a short meeting after school.

Y1 phonics - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 3.30-3.50pm

Y2 SATS - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 3.30-3.50pm \*\*Please note there are changes for 2024\*\*

Y4 Multiplication Times tables Check - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 3.30-3.50pm

Y6 SATS - Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 3.30-3.50pm

Please do join us if you can so you can receive all of the information you need to best support your child.

#### **Celebration Worship**

As we finish this half term on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February, Celebration Worship will take place on this day. Our year six pupils will also be offering parents a delicious sausage or bacon bap prior to the service along with a tea or coffee for £2, please could you advise the office if you will be joining us so that we can order the right amount of food. An ebasket is available to pay for this. Please come along if you can. Worship will begin at 9.15am

### **Class information:**

#### **Preschool:**

##### **Story Café**

This half term's story café will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February from 2pm. If you would like to book your child in for this session as they do not normally attend on a Friday, please let Mrs Henshaw know.

#### **Mars:**

Please see curriculum newsletter

#### **Saturn:**

##### **Football competition**

This will involve all pupils in Saturn and Jupiter and take place within the school day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. The competition will involve pupils from Wincle, Pott Shrigley, Kettleshulme and Bosley and take place on the field by Wincle Brewery. Please can all pupils in Saturn and Jupiter be collected from this field at 3.30pm.

All pupils will need warm PE kit on this day with suitable footwear.

##### **Winmarleigh Residential**

Please ensure that all payments are up to date for this residential.

#### **Jupiter:**

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**KEY DATES**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January - Y6 fire safety talk  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January - SEN coffee afternoon  
Y2 Assessment Information meeting 3.30pm  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January - Y6 SATS Information meeting 3.30pm  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Y1 Phonics Information Meeting 3.30pm  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - KS2 football competition  
Preschool Story Café 2pm  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Y4 MTC Information meeting 3.30pm  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February - Celebration Worship  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Inset Day  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Half term begins  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February - School open  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February - Parents Evening  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March - Mothering Sunday Service led by Mars Class  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March - National Science Day  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Preschool and Mars parents to lunch 12pm-12.45pm  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Mars spring walk  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Whole school faith day on Holy Week  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Service led by Saturn and Jupiter  
Looking at work at 2.45pm  
School closes for Easter  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - School open