



The Windmills News

Friday 19th June 2026

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Dear Families,

In time for sports day we have a week of hot and sunny weather next week. Please make sure that your child has had sun cream applied and that they aren't bringing-in/ wearing fleeces, jumpers or Y6 hoodies. If they have shorts or summer dresses these are better than tracksuits. The early giving out of the Y6 leaver hoodies was to help with them relinquishing them during such hot times! The classrooms, particularly Y6 ones do get hot in the sun.

What is great though is that we will have sunshine for **sports day**. We have already written to you, but we have a few changes for this year. We will not be having chairs out, though you are welcome to bring camping chairs or blankets to sit on. With help from FOWS, we are setting up some gazebos to give some shade—these are particularly for pregnant mums, those with babies/ young children or older grandparents. FOWS will also be selling cold drinks on the day and if anyone can help support with running the stall that would be great so all at FOWS can also watch their children compete.

We will open the gates to parents at 12:45pm and start as close to 1pm as possible. I really look forward to welcoming you to my first sports day here at Windmills.

Lastly, with regards sports day, if any parent has a drone camera and would be willing/ happy to take a few photos please do let the office/ me know.

Despite the changeable weather, children in Y4 and 5/6 have been out to competitions and festivals. On Monday, a group of **Y5/6 children** went to an upper **KS2 sports festival** at the Triangle where they tried a number of different sports. Yesterday, a team of **Y4 cricketers** took part in the **1st round of the U9 cricket** competition and the qualified on run-difference. Well done to the boys and girls, and onto the next round. Photos are overleaf.

On Wednesday, Craig's **guitarists** had their chance to perform, and the hall was filled with music. The children played a range of songs including Bohemian Rhapsody in groups and altogether and sounded great. Well done children and thank you to all who were able to attend. Mr Burton put some videos onto ClassDojo so hopefully these found their way into your feed and some photos are attached.

Today is the culmination of **Mid-Sussex Science Week** which our **Y5s** have been taking part in all week. Mr Fisher and Mrs O'Connell have taken a group of children to the finals to showcase their efforts from this week and we'll put some more information into next week's newsletter.

Next week we have lots of things happening as well as sports day including an author visit from Pari Thomson on Thursday 25th June to Y4—6, there are more guitar assemblies and Y6 are having their environmental project showcase.

Headteacher Awards

Clara, Will, Josie,
Jack, Stanley, Luca,
Jack, Bob, Ed, Marlie,
Ned, Anwen and
Poppy.

TEAM POINTS

EARTH 3197

AIR 2976

FIRE 3305

WATER 3265

School Diary

(new dates in bold)

- 22.6 Quad kids and tri-golf
- 23.6 Y6 Eco project presentation
- 24.6 Guitar assembly (2/2)
- 26.6 Sports Day
- 1.7 Transition day
- 3.7 Y4 cricket rd.2
- 6.7 Rocksteady concert. (10-12)
- 7.7 Y5/6 careers after noon
- 10.7 Cornet and tenor horn concerts for classes currently learning
- 13.7 Rocksteady concert (am)
Y6 play to parents and Y5 (pm)
- 14.7 Y6 play-evening 1/2)
- 15.7 Y6 play-evening (2/2)

On the **1st July** we have our **transition day**. In a change from previous years we will let you know next Friday in the newsletter which teacher your child will have next year. Y4 parents will be emailed this due to the class mix. We have made this change to give the children some more time to process the change as some do need the additional time/ space to do this. This will also allow the current teacher to answer any questions on the first two days and the new teacher to introduce themselves to any child who may need some extra transition support.

Lastly, it was lovely seeing the children and staff come in their respective country's strips last week, and next week children are welcome to continue doing so. So far (from memory) we've had England, Scotland, Sweden, Spain, Mexico and South Africa. Good luck to Mrs Bordon and any other Scottish families tonight and congratulations to Mrs Rodriguez Breen on Mexico already qualifying.

I hope all have a good weekend,

Mr Page



