



Windermere Primary School Newsletter 8th November 2024

A word from the Headteacher

I hope you all had a peaceful half term. The children have returned to completed repair works on the adventure playgrounds on both Key Stage 1 and 2- many thanks to your support, through the PTA, which has enabled us to complete this. We have had 2 visitors to school in recent weeks. Just before half term we had Hertfordshire Olympic rower and bronze medallist Rowan McKellar visit to talk about trying out different sports, training, ambition and perseverance. She also presented the Pupil Council with their badges. This week we had a visit from Electric Umbrella. They are a neuro-diverse musical collective/band who are nothing short of inspirational. Their motto is 'where music unites people and creates a more inclusive society'. Children moved and sang along with them and really enjoyed the performance. Photographs of both visits can be found on our school website under Pupil Council and News and Events. Wishing you all a good weekend.

Sarah Gilliver

Assembly Theme and value: Friendship and Respect

The new theme for this half term's assemblies is Friendship, linking with the British value of respect for others. Children will be exploring stories and scenarios to support them with building and maintaining successful friendships. During Anti-bullying week, children will be further exploring the value of Respect as the theme of this year's week. This week we also explored light with Diwali and marking Bonfire Night and celebrated children who are a shining light for others.

Pupil council elections

As part of exploring democracy, children from Years 1 to 6 presented speeches to persuade their class to vote for them as their Pupil Council representatives. They bravely stood before their classmates and shared why they would be good in the role. Votes were cast and counted. Pupil Councillors for 2024-2025 are: Ola, Tillie, Joel, Shaney, Leona, Anika, Mathew, Leo, Carter, Chizitelum, Kai and Ella. Well done!

House names

Children from across the school have been thinking about new names for their houses, to use instead of just the colour name. They planned in their house groups, led by the house captains, and came up with themes to be voted on. The winning theme was animals with Red panda (red), Dolphin (blue), Lion (yellow) and Parakeet (green) being the new names. Children will meet again to design a logo and find out more about their animal.

Dates for your Diary:

11 th to 17 th November	Anti-bullying Week
22 nd November	Year 6 Cake Sale
2 nd December	Occasional Day School closed
7 th December	PTA Christmas Fair
13 th December	Rocksteady Concert
17 th December	Nativity
19 th December	After School Singing
23 rd Dec to 3 rd January	Christmas Holiday
6 th January	INSET (school closed to pupils)

Sports Results

Netball v Samuel Ryder (home) Skills are improving, but tough opposition 10-0 loss
Girls football v Aboyne Lodge (home) 2-0 Great improvements.
Cross Country at Wheatfields: a hard and fast run with a fast bend. All pushed really hard to the end and improved on previous positions. A 4th place for Miles and 13th for Ruby. Great!

Ask Your Child...

All classes- tell me about the Electric Umbrella visit

