



## Windermere Primary School Newsletter 17th January 2025

### A word from the Headteacher

We hope you have had a positive start to the year. Children have settled back in well to their school routines and have reviewed their class agreements- their agreed positive behaviours for learning and community success. Most classes have begun to have Drumba lessons in PE. This combines powerful music with drum beats on and off the drum pad and LOTS of energy! Children and adults alike are really enjoying these sessions.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Sarah Gilliver

### Assembly Theme and value: Perseverance

This half term we are focusing on perseverance in our assemblies- the ability to keep on going and push through challenges when things become difficult or get in the way of achieving a goal. We have begun by exploring what it means to make a commitment, deciding on what we want to achieve and committing to making that happen. We have done this through exploring stories of others who committed to acts of kindness and helping others in their community. We have celebrated children who have made a positive start to the new year, and those who have demonstrated a commitment to improvement.

### British Values:

We have recapped the British values, explored in the Autumn term, of Democracy through our Pupil Council and House Captain elections; Rule of Law through our class agreements and rules; and Respect through our PSHE learning and our behaviours towards one another. This term we will be making more links with these and looking at Tolerance and Individual Liberty and what they mean in our everyday lives.

### Dates for your Diary:

24 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 3 & 4 Cycling session
31 <sup>st</sup> January	Year 5 Cake Sale
3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Children's Mental Health Week
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Safer Internet Day
10 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week
13 <sup>th</sup> March	SEN coffee afternoon
18 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Rocksteady Concert

### Attendance September to 17.01.25

92.6% whole school

### Every minute of learning counts!

The school day begins promptly at 8:50am when the children will be starting their learning tasks. This includes practising phonics and reading, handwriting and maths fluency. Therefore, it is important children get into school on time so they do not miss this vital time that helps reinforce their skills. The gate opens at 8:40am.

### Did you know that:

5 minutes late each day= 3 days of learning lost

10 minutes late = 6.5 days of learning lost

15 minutes late = 10 days of learning lost

20 minutes late = 13 days of learning lost

30 minutes late = 19 days of learning lost

### Ask Your Child...

A way to engage your child in telling you about their learning. (You don't need to know the answers).

Reception- How can we keep our teeth Healthy?

Year 1- What is the difference between deciduous and evergreen trees?

Year 2- What is a flam?

Year 3- Can you say five verbs in French?

Year 4- What are the seven classroom objects we learnt in French?

Year 5- Describe the difference between human & physical geography.

Year 6- Where did the Vikings come from and why did they decide to invade England?

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