



Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for supporting the children's School Council in their fund-raising efforts for Children in Need last Friday. We raised a total of £162.17.

Online Scholastic Book Club

Don't forget that our latest Scholastic Book Club is now online at https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/the-willows-mk6/digital-book-club. There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from, and every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club will earn 20p for our school in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by Tuesday 30th November, 2021. Orders will be delivered to the school.

Bag2 School – Thursday 9th December

Don't forget to have a good clear out and bring any adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys to school on Thursday 9th December by 9am. Look out for the leaflet that was sent home in your child's book bag.

Parking outside School

Parking on yellow zig-zags outside any school puts children at risk. Outside the school there are lots of children running around, buggy congestion and little ones on scooters and bikes. It is dangerous for people trying to cross the road as visibility is reduced. While it may be well known that you can't **park** on yellow zig-zag lines, you also can't **wait** or even stop momentarily to drop off or pick up passengers, according to the UK Highway Code.

Getting to School on time

The gates open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am for morning registration. For safety reasons we are no longer able to take bikes into the lobby, so if you are late you will have to take your child's bike home with you. There is a bike shed provided on the school playground, so please ensure you are here before the gates shut. Being on time for school is an important life lesson for your child and currently too many children are starting school late. By law, it is parents'/ carers' responsibility to get their children to school and on time.



Friday 26th November 2021













Diary Dates

Monday 29 th November		Final deadline to complete on-line flu vaccination consent form for your child (school aged)
Friday 3 rd December	3pm – 4.45pm	Hedgehogs Film Club (Places to be pre-booked – Spaces available)
Monday 6 th December		School aged children who have completed a consent form will receive their flu vaccination
Thursday 9 th December	9am	Bag2 School donation drop off

Attendance

W/C 15th November			
Year	Class Name	% Attendance	
Rec.	Badgers	89.6%	
Rec.	Hedgehogs	87.0%	
KS1	Squirrels	97.8%	
KS1	Rabbits	94.0%	
KS1	Owls	98.8% 1 st	
Total attendance		93.8%	

Lateness

This week, there was on average, 10 children who arrived late for school every day. If your child was one of them, this is very unsettling for them when they have to enter their classroom and takes time away from teaching because the teacher has to explain for each late arrival what the learning task is.

Increasingly, schools in Milton Keynes are resorting to fining parents for their child's persistent lateness. This isn't where we want to go, so please set your alarm clocks and **help your child** get to school on Time. Well done **Owls** with an attendance of **98.8%** for the week beginning **15th November**.

The whole school attendance for the week of 15th November was **93.8%.** – We are aiming for **96%**

Good attendance at school is important for your child's development & progress. Please ensure you child attends school every day and not take holidays in term time.

We want every child to be a H.E.R.O everyday. Here. Every day. Ready to learn. On time.

