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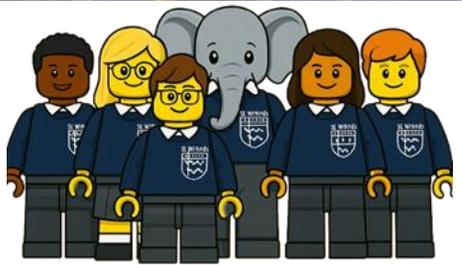


75 Years on Eastern Road

Our school has been in existence since April 1857 and in April 1951 it moved from its original site by St Wilfrid's Church to our current site on Eastern Road. Therefore, we have been here for 75 years and it seems a great time to celebrate the last 75 years as a school and introduce a 'Founding day'. On Monday 27th April, we will be collating photographs and other items from our archive to show the children in the hall what life has been like at St Wilfrid's in the last 75 years. We will also be holding an open afternoon so our children can show off their current learning and we hope ex-students will be able to come along to see how the school has changed since they were pupils here. We are also delighted to have Bishop Ruth attend to join in the day with us. After the Easter holidays we will be sending more information about the day.



World Book Day!





DanceLive! 2026



On Friday 20th March, our children performed their fabulous dance for the DanceLive! Competition in Hastings. Based on 'Wicked' the children have been rehearsing for months and enjoyed their day in the Hastings theatre as part of a collection of other schools (one other primary and the rest senior school entries). Thank you to Mrs Ford for organising the St Wilfrid's entry, Mr Johnson for choreographing the routine, Miss Milton-Hunt for once again lending her technical expertise to the video entry, Mrs Russell and Mrs Webster for their costume design and creation, and Miss Ball for accompanying the group on the day.



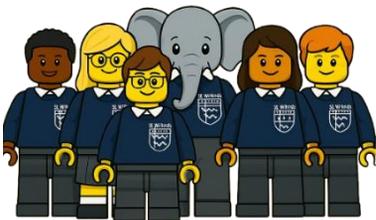
Important dates – please see the Schooling calendar



'Glint of Gold'



Our Year 3 and 4s came together to help us travel back to Ancient Egypt in their brilliant production 'A Glint of Gold'. From archaeologists to mummies, the children sang and acted their way through three great performances.



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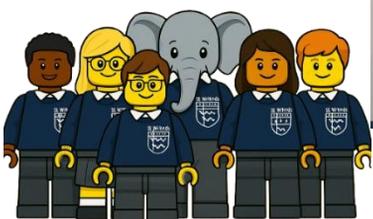
New Friends of Scrase Valley

The New Friends of Scrase Valley ran a competition for school children to design a new logo. We were delighted to discover that out of all the entries, Willow in Year 5 was the overall winner and Scarlett in Year 5 came second. Aaliyah and Isabelle in Year 6 and Gabriella in Year 4 also got an honourable mention. We welcomed Duncan Pascoe, Haywards Heath Mayor, and Sylvia Harris and Anna Starkey, representing the New Friends of Scrase Valley, to present the awards. We were also delighted to be presented with the overall winning school award.



Barn Cottage Scout hut

Mr Hateley was delighted to be invited to the official opening of the brand new community funded scout hut on Barn Cottage Green. We heard from scout leaders and scouts about how special and unique the development is and how it will make a difference not just to the scout groups who can use it but also the wider community. There was also a very special guest – Tim Peake – who officially opened the building and presented a patch he had worn on his journey into space, which will be on display in the new building.

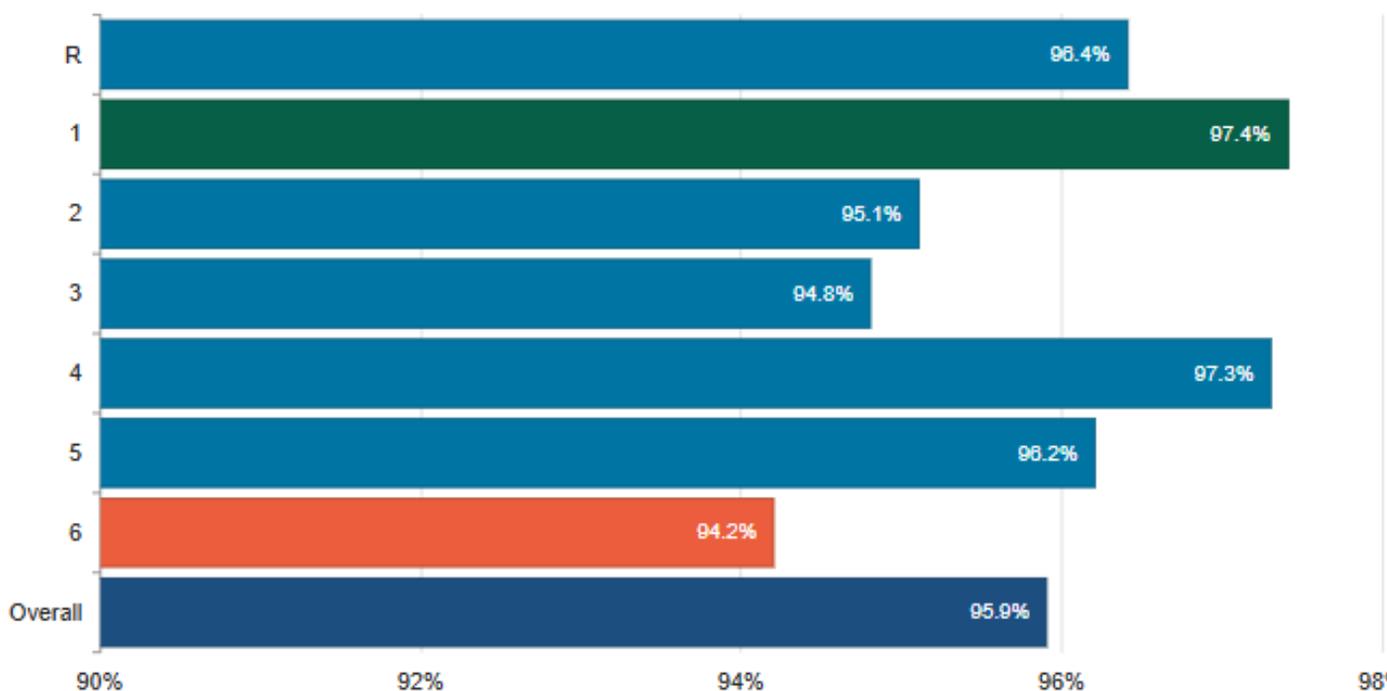




Attendance

At St Wilfrid's we believe that being in school every day, is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development.

Therefore, attending school is very important and we are focussing on making sure our children are in school as much as possible to ensure they achieve their best. Our Target for attendance is 97% and we are currently below that target following the illness in the Autumn Term. However, since Christmas our attendance has been 95.9% and if this trend continues we will be back on track overall.



WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?					
190 days		180 days		178 days	
100%		95%		94%	
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
Only 1-2 day missed per term		Between 3-8 days missed per term		More than 9 days missed per term	

