





# 'Together we will be our best!'

This half term, we have moved our focus to our school value of 'Hope'.

In each phase we are reflecting on how our hope helps us to meet challenges, grow determination and support others as part of Team Wilf. In class and in our worships, we are thinking about how this school value helps us in our learning and helps the learning of others.

Also, since the last newsletter, for demonstrating care or hope, I have been delighted to celebrate with, Alessia, Ava, Gabrielle, James, Morgan, Gabriella, Maisie, Alice, Lucas, Eden, Jimmy, Riley, Mollie, Aadhya, Sonny, Hamza, Dylan, April, Jemi, Mia, Zenayah, Harry, Pat, Violet, Rebecca, Charlotte, Harry, Sienna, Sophie, Kiara, Primrose, Miles, Archer, Piper, Darcie, Sienna, Avantika, J.J.

'Shine as lights in the world'.



October/ November 2025





#### Remembrance

Every year, it is a privilege to join with other local schools at St Wilfrid's church to mark Remembrance Day. On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, our Year 6 classes took part in the Haywards Heath School's Remembrance service at St Wilfrid's Church. Lead by Father Edward, the children shared some of the poems they had written and laid a wreath in memory of those who had fallen.







## **School Crossing Patrol**

As this autumn term comes to an end, we will say farewell to Jill Harwood, who is retiring from her role as a West Sussex School Crossing Patrol Officer after an incredible 30 years of service. Mrs Harwood has been a familiar and reassuring presence for generations of St Wilfrid's families, faithfully helping children and parents cross the road safely every school day since 1996! Through rain, wind, frost, and sunshine, Mrs Harwood has stood at her post with a smile and a wave, ensuring that our children and families could begin and end their days safely across the busy Franklynn Road. Her commitment has never faltered and she has been a cornerstone of our school community. Although Jill isn't retiring from her role as Teaching Assistant at St Wilfrid's, she will be missed in the mornings helping children cross safely.

West Sussex will soon be advertising for someone to take over, and we will send out the details as soon as we have them.

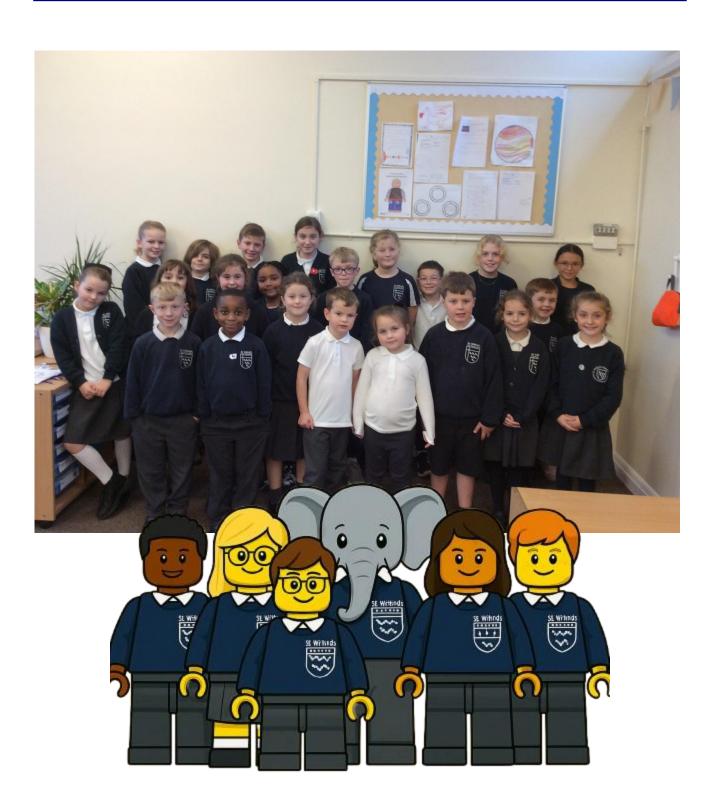


Our Learning in October and November...



### **Our Young Leaders**

We are delighted to introduce this year's team of St Wilfrid's Young Leaders. From each class there are 2 representatives who meet regularly with Mrs Ford to share views from their peers, contribute to school projects and share their ideas to help make our school a better place. So far this term the previous Young Leaders have been helping to train up the new recruits and we have been exploring the traits of a good leader. They have one training session left and then we will start making plans for what projects they would like to work on for the rest of the term. We already have some great ideas! The Year 5 and 6 leaders have also been supporting the adults with leading worship times with their phases. Watch this space for more updates!



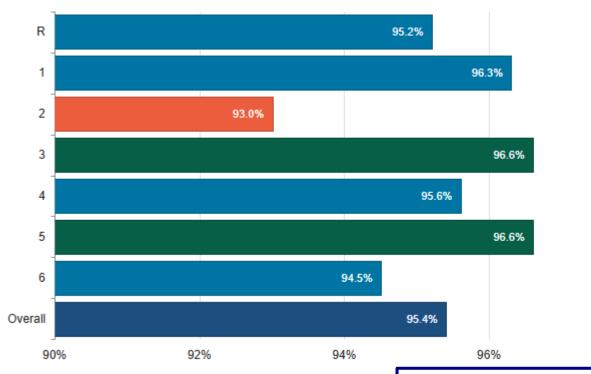
#### **Attendance**

You will know that school attendance continues to be a high priority because of its positive impact on a child's education. From last term's figures we can see how our families continue to support their children's education through their attendance at school.

The last week or so, like many schools locally and nationally, we have been impacted by a flu-like illness affecting approx. 10% of our children and families which in turn has impacted our attendance figures.

Once this period passes, we know we will be back up to our stronger, improving figures again.

WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?					
190 days	I 80 days	178 days	l 63 days	6   days	I 43 days
100%	95%	94%	86%	85%	75%
Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
Only 1-2 day missed per term		Between 3-8 days missed per term		More than <b>9</b> days missed per term	



**Important dates**See our weekly updates

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