

Winkleigh Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a wonderful time at our family breakfast, and it was lovely to see so many of you there. This time, we were excited to introduce our pastry option, alongside our ever-popular bacon rolls. We had some lovely feedback – thank you! Thank you to everyone who joined us, a great way to start the day.

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children represented school in the Premier League Primary Stars football tournament in North Devon. They showed incredible teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the event. We are so proud of their efforts and the way they represented our school!

A huge thank you to Mr. Jared, our Primary Sports Coach, for organising a fantastic whole-school cross-country event. It was wonderful to see all our students taking part, challenging themselves, and supporting their peers. Well done to everyone who participated, you should all be very proud!

As you may be aware, all children belong to one of our six tree groups and collect tokens for demonstrating our three golden rules: **Kindness Respect Resilience**

Children can also earn tokens for going above and beyond in their learning, behaviour, or contributions to school life. The tokens have been counted, and the results are as follows:-

1st - Hazel and Beech

2nd - Chestnut

3rd - Hawthorn

4th - Oak

5th - Willow

Well done to all, the winners, **Hazel** and **Beech**, will be able to wear non-school uniform on Friday 28th February.

A huge thank you to Mr. Slocombe for organising our fantastic art exhibition! The quality of work on display is truly amazing, showcasing the incredible creativity of our children. The exhibition is being held at All Saints Church in Winkleigh, and the whole school had the opportunity to visit the church today. If you do get the chance, we highly recommend taking a look, it's well worth it!

Thank you for your ongoing support, and we hope you all have a wonderful half term.

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Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES



W/C 24TH FEBRUARY 2025

	◆ Lunch Deadline 8.00am on the <u>same</u> day.				
NEW	◆ All Sorts Deadline 8.30am on the <u>same</u> day.				
	◆ Early Birds Deadline 3.00pm the day <u>before</u> .				
<u>Daily Deadlines</u>	Please continue to email admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk to make any amendments for the above.				
	 Playground Gate opens at 8.45am and will shut promptly at 8.55am so that children are in class ready to start their learning at 9.00am 3.30pm Children released to their parents/carers—Owls and Year 1 via the side gate near the main reception entrance, everyone else from the main playground gate. 				
Monday 24th February	◆ Year 6—Level 2 Bikeability				
	♦ PE kit today: Year 3, Year 5				
	→ 3.30pm-4.30pm Djembe Drum Club with Miss McLean				
	◆ GATEWAY DEADLINE Year 3 Football Festival				
	GATEWAY DEADLINE Pets as Therapy Dog				
	GATEWAY DEADLINE Girls Football Festival at Exwick				
	◆ Year 3 Kents Cavern Educational trip				
Tuesday 25th February	◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 4, Year 6				
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	◆ Year 4—Level 1 Bikeability				
Wednesday 26th February	DE Litteday Vand Vand				
	♦ PE KIT today: Year 1, Year 4				
	◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6				
Thursday 27th February					
Friday 28th February	 Defib workshop Year 5 & Year 6 				
, ,	◆ PE kit today: Year 5				

Emails sent this week: Pets as Therapy Dog, DEADLINE Yr 3 Kents Cavern, Year 2 Spellings, Thurs Yr 3 & Y4 Running Club, Thursday Yr 5 & 6 Running Club, Art Club finished, Gardening Club Finished, Cancelled Yr 5 & 6 School games, FOWS cake sale, Aurora Shine Art Club

ART EXHIBITION



14TH FEBRUARY 2025—22ND FEBRUARY 2025





SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week we have continued our learning around the story 'The three little pigs'

The children have have enjoyed printing using different resources, made houses using straw and sticks and outside we had fun playing 'What's the time Mr Wolf?'

Below is a song we have been singing together.

Have a wonderful half term. The Nursery team

Pigs, Where Are You? Song (Sing to the tune of 'Tommy Thumb'.)

First little pig, first little pig,

Where are you? In my house, in my house,

How do you do?

Second little pig, second little pig,

Where are you? In my house, in my house,

How do you do?

Third little pig, third little pig,

Where are you? In my house, in my house,

How do you do?

Big Bad Wolf, Big Bad Wolf,

Where are you?

Here I am, here I am,

Time to get you! Ahhhhhhhhhh!



















SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

What a fantastic end to the half term we have had this week. The children have loved our drawing club text 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and were all keen to make and taste their own porridge on Wednesday afternoon. It was a lovely way to warm up in this cold weather!

Tuesday was internet safety day, and the children enjoyed playing a range of different games on the internet. We talked about how to stay safe online and what to do if you are not sure about something you see whilst playing online games.

The class had fun with Mr Jared at their cross country event on Thursday and loved seeing all their artwork displayed in the local church this morning. We hope you are also able to visit the church next week to see the amazing array of artwork on display.

Have a wonderful break Owls and we look forward to seeing you after half term when it has hopefully warmed up a little bit!























SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Year 1— Mrs Keast

This week in Year One we have been on a Curious Quest to Fraggle Rock! We have been creating a Fraggle of our own and have thought of a way to rescue Wembley Fraggle from the Gorgs!

The focus in our writing this week was to use "and" to extend our sentences. We have produced some amazing pieces of written work and used a good selection of adjectives.

In Maths we completed our unit of learning about addition and subtraction within 20. We found missing number problems quite challenging and have used a range of resources including Numicon to help us find the answers. We know that having a good understanding of number bonds to 10 will help us when working with larger numbers.

We have been busy creating our artwork for the forthcoming exhibition in Winkleigh Church. We have made our own Mondrian style paintings using pencil, pen and the three primary colours.





We also had a great time on Thursday afternoon when we took part in cross country.

Year 2—Mr Slocombe

In Year 2 this week, anticipation has continued to build around the dragon's egg that appeared in our classroom last week! It finally hatched this morning to much excitement! It has really helped us to focus on our writing over the past couple of weeks. We have planned and written our own poems based on dragons.

Maths has seen us complete our length and height sequence. We have been busy measuring in centimetres and metres before making comparisons, ordering and sequencing.

Across our other subjects we have been finishing our sequences. Geography involved comparing Winkleigh with Tobago, which we learnt about from the text of *Gregory Cool* by Caroline Binch. We have completed our artwork and loved visiting the church this morning to view it alongside the rest of the school's creations!

On Tuesday, we learnt about Safer Internet Day, thank you to Miss McLean and Mr Walter for helping us to find out more and for creating a fun quiz!

Have a great half term and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 24th!









SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

What a great week the year 3s have had!

They completed their Van Gogh pictures ready for the art exhibition. They look fantastic.

The children have been writing the Interview with a slow loris, in English. Their understanding of how the animal would answer the question is really intuitive.

In maths they have begun fraction work.

Wednesday brought the excitement of Bikability. They had an excellent experience. If anyone else wants to do it please contact the school, there are spaces after half term.

The children enjoyed their cross country run. It was really cold but they fearlessly ran their 3 laps!

Have a fantastic half term!







Year 4—Mr Walter

It was great to see so many of you throughout the week to talk through this term and see you at the breakfast morning.

This week's focus in English was looking at the differences between possessive apostrophes and contractions. We have used this information to create our character, setting and emotion to support our fictional writing. We looked into the stone 'Blue John' and compared them with other stones thinking about their appearance and traits if we brought them to life.

In maths, we have started our fractions sequence. We have explored the vocabulary to distinguish between proper, improper and mixed number fractions. Gaining our understanding of how to find and 'break' the whole.

Thank you to Mr Slocombe and the art ambassadors for all their hard work in putting together our artwork in the church. We all worked really hard to implement the styles of David Hocakney into our water pictures. I hope you get the opportunity to have a look during half term. Well done to everyone who participated in the cross-country event hosted by Mr Jarad of Primary Sports, it was a fantastic opportunity for all to take part in.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable half term break.











SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Year 5— Mr Saltearn

A busy week to finish the half term in Year 5.

On Monday and Tuesday 10 children took part in Bikeability and braved the cold weather to learn new skills on their bikes and how to stay safe when riding on the roads.

In English, we have finished our sequence on short stories and we have been creating our own short mystery stories, thinking how we can build tension into our stories. The children had the extra challenge of writing a short story and including everything in a agreed limit.

In Maths, we have continued our sequence on decimals and have been investigating thousandths as both fractions and decimals and yesterday started to round decimals to the nearest whole and tenth.

The children have been busy finishing off and evaluating their art work for the church exhibition.

On Thursday, the children had the opportunity to participate in Mr. Jared's cross country event in school, it was great to see the children enjoy it and participating.

Have a great half term Year 5!







Year 6—Miss McLean

Firstly, well done to the children who took part in the football event in Barnstaple yesterday! Thank you to Mr. Walter for accompanying them and to parents for arranging their transport.

In English this week, the children have really enjoyed completing their independent fantasy fiction writing. They have come up with some brilliant ideas for their own stories based on our focus book *A Wizard of Earthsea*.

We have been looking at area, perimeter and volume in maths for the past two weeks and the children have worked hard on understanding these concepts. There has been lots of resilience needed when drawing 3D shapes on isometric paper to work out their volumes.

It was safer internet day on Tuesday so we spent the afternoon discussing scamming and phishing. The children looked at some scenarios and discussed the importance of staying safe online.

Thank you to all the parents/carers that came to support the year 5&6 netball this afternoon. It's a great opportunity for the children to play team sports, they thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon as usual.

It was lovely to see all the children's art in church this morning, this exhibition will be up over half term if you would like to visit it!





FUNDRAISING



On Thursday 13th March 2025 we will welcome Kirsty Way as our Sports for Champions athlete.

Every child has been given a sponsorship form to try and help raise funds which will be split between the federation (60%) and the athlete (40%). The whole school will have the opportunity to ask questions and participate in a fitness circuit with Kirsty Way. She is a European champion in double mini trampolining (DMT). This is a fantastic opportunity for a lot of children to learn about a sport they otherwise might not get to engage with and hear the story of an athlete on their journey to try and achieve success. Kirsty has strong links with other aspects of gymnastics and will spend time with each class throughout the morning.

The form given explains more information regarding the event itself and some rewards available for certain amounts of sponsorships. A child will still be able to participate in the event without sponsorship. Our previous events funds have helped us purchase new equipment like goals and basketball hoops as well maintaining our playgrounds and subsidising trips and events throughout the academic year.

Sponsorship forms are to be returned to school with the collected sponsorship money by Monday 10th March to allow for the information to be collated. If for any reason this sheet has been lost, then the sponsors name and amount can be written on a piece of paper.

Donations can be made in a couple of ways:

Cash donations can be brought in a sealed, named envelope alongside the sponsorship form by the 10th March.

Online donations can be made through the crowdfunding link by following the QR code on the sponsorship form https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/winkleigh-primary-schoolfundraiser

Please note, no money will be transferred through school gateway!

Thank you for your continued support.







AUTUMN/WINTER MENU



4TH NOVEMBER 2024 - 4TH APRIL 2025

1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Mild Chicken Curry & Rice	Honey Roast Gammon	Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Hot Option 2	Golden Veggie Fingers	Cheese & Cauliflower Pasta Bake	Veggie Slice	Veggie Balls in a Tomato Sauce	Vegan Veggie Fritters
Served with	Herby Diced Potato Coleslaw or Sweetcorn	Broccoli	Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy	Pasta, Green Beans & Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Bear
Jacket Potato	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Pip Organic Lolly / Warm Fruit Compote with Greek Yoghurt	Sticky Toffee Cake with Sauce	Oat & Sultana Cookie
	Week One: 4	1 Nov 25 Nov 16 D	ec 20 Jan 10 Feb	10 Mar 31 Mar	J.
2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Butcher's Sausages & Gravy	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	Beef Lasagne	Fillet of Fish
Hot Option 2	Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Sausages & Gravy	Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed with Quorn Pieces	Vegetarian Lasagne	Veggie Nuggets
Served with	Broccoli & Garlic Bread	Mashed Potatoes & Carrots	Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy	Green Beans or Coleslaw Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Beans
Jacket Potato	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Pip Organic Lolly / Warm Fruit Compote with Greek Yoghurt	Apple Crumble & Custard	Crispy Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Homemade Carrot Cake	Homemade Shortbread Biscuit
3	Wee	k Two: 11 Nov 2 De	∞ 6Jan 27Jan 24 Wednesday	Feb 17 Mar Thursday	Friday
Hot Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Fish Pie	Sausage Roast Sage & Onion Stuffing	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Hot Option 2	Frittata	Cheesy Wheels & Herby Diced Potatoes	Quorn & Leek Pastry Puff	Mediterranean Vegetable Pasta	Margherita Wrap
Served with	Potato Wedges Sweetcorn or Winter Coleslaw	Peas or Baked Beans	Roast Potatoes Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Penne Pasta Green Beans & Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Beans
Jacket Potato	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Arctic Roll	Iced Chocolate Cake	Fruit Jelly	Flapjack	Pip Organic Ice Lolly
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You can order lunch till 8am on the same day. KS1 children are all entitled to free school meals.

Wraparound Care for 2 to 11 year old's

Flexible before and after school care available Monday to Friday during term time, with breakfasts and snacks provided as well as fun activities and games.

Everybody is welcome, from nursery to year 6.

Early Birds:

Breakfast club from 7.45am to 9am everyday
With breakfast £5.30 per session
Without Breakfast £4.30 per session

All Sorts:

After school club from 3.30pm to 6pm 3.30pm-4.30pm - £5.30

3.30pm - 5.00pm - £7.95

3.30pm - 5.30pm - £10.60

3.30pm - 6.00pm - £13.25

(After the Enrichment Club)

4.30pm - 5.00pm - £2.65

4.30pm - 5.30pm - £5.30

4.30pm - 6.00pm - £7.95

All sessions must be booked by 8.30am on the day via the Gateway

Tax-free childcare vouchers accepted



ADVICE FOR PARENTS



Reporting Absences

To report your child absent please do so by telephoning the school and choosing Option 1 to leave a message on the absence line. You can also report an absence through the Gateway app.





Should I keep my

child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.



Families with children in Key Stage 1 who are eligible are encouraged to apply as the funding is in addition to Universal Infant Free School Meals!

If your circumstances have changed and you are now in receipt of one or more of the following:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

You may be eligible for pupil premium funding for Winkleigh Primary School, which entitles your child/ren to receive Free School Meals.

It takes less than a minute to apply.

Visit the following website: https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

or call the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

If eligible, please send a screenshot of your confirmation to admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk