



Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week we have had with so many activities happening. Despite the weather, our Year 3 and 4 pupils had a fantastic day at QE for their orienteering activity. A big well done to all the children for their enthusiasm and teamwork! They really showed resilience and determination throughout the day.

Year 1 had an educational and reflective visit to the church to learn about the traditions of Advent. It was a wonderful opportunity to deepen their understanding of this special season.

Nursery, Owls and Year 1 had a magical time with Clive PiG, the storyteller, who entertained everyone with Christmas-themed stories and songs. The children were completely enthralled and had so much fun. We are hoping to make this a termly event.

Thank you to all parents / carers who came to the family breakfast, it was wonderful to see so many of you joining us—thank you so much for coming and we raised approximately £400! We also hope you enjoyed looking at the classroom decorations, the children have worked very hard on them.

Today, the entire school—from Nursery to Year 6—took part in our festive Santa Run! The Christmas costumes were amazing. Don't forget to look at facebook to see the wonderful photos. Thank you to Mr Walter for organising the day. It is always a great way to start the festive season.

Thank you to everyone who made donations for the Bags 2 school, it raised £158! Also thank you to the Friends of Winkleigh School for organising.

Thank you all for your continued support and for helping to make our school community thrive. We look forward to more festive fun as we count down to the holiday break!

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

Emails sent this week: Owls Phonic, Christmas Post box, Yr 1 Church Visit, Headlice in Year 2, Santa run entry fee deadline, deadline yr 2—Plymouth Aquarium & Theatre Royal Visit, Data collection sheets, Family Breakfast & Open Morning, National Childhood Measurement Programme 2024/25, Deadline Reminder—Bikeability,

DIARY DATES

W/C 9TH DECEMBER 2024



Saturday 7th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 16th December</i>
Monday 9th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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. ◆ PE Kit today: Year 2, Year 3, Year 5 ◆ Christmas Post Box in school all week ◆ Year 4 Chocolate Workshop—In School
Tuesday 10th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE Kit today: Owls, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ Nursery, Owls, Year 1 and Year 2 - Christmas Dinner (Christmas jumpers can be worn)
Wednesday 11th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE Kit today: Year 4 ◆ Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 - Christmas Dinner (Christmas jumpers can be worn) ◆ 2.30pm Nursery Singing Concert
Thursday 12th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE Kit today: Year 1, Year 3, Year 6 ◆ 2.30pm Owls Nativity ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Christmas Cake Club with Mrs Rowcliffe ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club Year 1 & Year 2 ◆ 5pm-6pm Primary Sports Silent Disco
Friday 13th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE Kit today: Year 1, Year 2
Saturday 14th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 16th December</i>

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week we have been feeling very festive! The Christmas songs are being sung and we have been busy decorating the classroom.

The children have enjoyed lots of seasonal stories and we have enjoyed making Christmas trees and decorations.

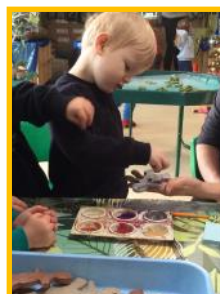
On Wednesday we were lucky enough to have a visit from Wedge Ridge vets. The children were excited to learn about how to look after their pets and to use some of the equipment that they use at the vets. Thank you Hattie and Magda!

We also had a visitor on Thursday. It was world famous storyteller Clive PiG! He was wonderfully entertaining and the children listened and participated beautifully.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Nursery Team

A reminder about our Christmas performance on Wednesday 11th December. If your child is not in the nursery they are welcome to attend the performance- just arrive with them at 2.25 and we will make sure they are ready for when the performance begins at 2.30.

Children need to wear anything festive!



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

In Owls Class this week the children have had fun making up stories in our small world snow area, along with selling cakes, biscuits and Christmas lollies in our Christmas bakery!

They loved joining in with the songs and stories told by Clive PiG on Thursday and were excited to welcome parents into class this morning.

As part of our Winter festivals topic the children have listened to stories and learnt about the Jewish festival of Hannukah this week. They concluded that many of these festivals involve special foods, clothes and candles.

With our Nativity performance coming up next week can we please remind parents and carers to send in clothes for the children to wear under their costumes by Monday. A list of these can be found in each child's message book.

Have a lovely weekend Owls and don't forget to keep singing those songs and practise your Christmas play words!



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Year 1— Mrs Keast

What a busy week for Year One. We are getting geared up for our forthcoming Christmas production of 'Baubles', making sure we know the words to all the songs. In English, we received a letter from Professor Klunk who introduced us to two new characters, Noodle and Titch. We were told that they love cups of tea, biscuits, inventing and adventures (inventuring). We were very inspired and invented our own biscuit-making machines and wrote a code to make it work!

On Wednesday we walked to Winkleigh Church where the Revd Helen Blaine talked about the Advent period and how Christians prepare, reflect and anticipate the celebration of Jesus. On Thursday the children enjoyed the wonderfully entertaining stories of author and international story teller, Clive PiG.

We ended the week with our Open Morning and the Santa Run which got us all in the Christmas spirit. We all felt very festive running around in our Christmas jumpers! Thank you for all your kind cake sale donations today, it is very much appreciated.



Year 2—Mr Slocombe

Play rehearsals are in full swing in Year 2 now! We are learning our lines, acting and our stage positions, we are looking forward to showing off our hard work soon!

Well done to everyone who took part in the Santa Run today, thank you Mr Walter for organising that, it was great to see so many Christmas jumpers!

Maths has seen us continue our learning around shapes, focusing on symmetry and sorting 2D shapes according to their properties.

Meanwhile, in English, we have been completing our independent writing based on the Man on the Moon. We have come up with some great stories!

In science, completed our comparisons of different habitats, talking about the animals, plants and conditions of each environment.

History has involved learning about more significant explorers including Matthew Henson this week, including their contributions to our knowledge of the world.

Have a great weekend!



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Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

Year 3s loved their trip to QE this week to do orienteering, even though they did get very wet. They showed excellent resilience and represented the school with the kind of attitude to be proud of.



In History this week, they have been researching more into the Nile of ancient Egypt and its importance.

They have continued their footballing skills, again despite the weather's best effort to make it challenging.

Thank you for visiting this morning and supporting the school, we hope you enjoyed looking at our books, the children really are very proud of the achievements they have made in our writing and maths.

The children did well and enjoyed the Santa run today, this means the countdown to Christmas has really begun!



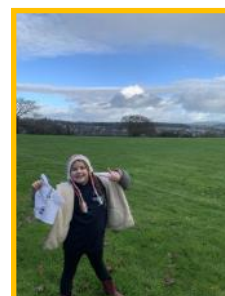
Year 4—Mr Walter

We started this week by visiting CREDITON for our re-arranged orienteering event. Well done to Year 4 for joining Year 3 at QE on Monday. Everyone showed fantastic resilience throughout the day in tricky conditions. We then ended the week with the opportunity to complete laps of the track in our Santa run. Thank you to everyone who came into visit us this morning the children were very excited to share their work with you.

In English, we have been working hard on our independent write to complete our own adventure story that links to our own superhero animal on their own quest. We have included conjunctions, pronouns and speech to help build our cohesion of our own stories. I look forward to reading the stories. In maths, we have finished our first half of multiplication and division which we will continue with in the new year. We have started to look at length and perimeter. We have enjoyed discussing how we would measure certain lengths whilst converting between metres, kilometres and centimetres.

We are looking forward to the chocolate workshop on Monday that links with our history learning sequence of the Mayans.

Have a fantastic weekend!



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Year 5— Mr Saltearn

This week we have been finishing our sequence of Kensukes Kingdom and the children have been planning their own chapter 4 of the book where Michael and Stella arrive on the Island.

In Maths, we have been subtracting different fractions using various methods to help us. The children have been selecting which method they prefer and using it to solve a range of different questions.

History we have been writing about Dr Barnado and Lord Shaftsbury and what they did for Victorian children and the impact that it had on peoples lives in Victorian times. We have also been comparing school life from Victorian times to now.

In Science, we have been experimenting with reversible and irreversible changes.

In PE, we have been practicing our dribble and passing in hockey and transferring these skills into a game situation.

Today we took part in the Santa run, the children enjoyed dressing up and taking part.

Have a great weekend.



Year 6—Miss McLean

The children have been getting into the festive mood this week with the Christmas decorations going up in the classroom!

We have started a new book in English this week, Northern Lights by Phillip Pullman. The children have enjoyed making predictions about the text each day as we have read a bit more of the story. They have also written some brilliant setting descriptions based on Exeter using the idea of creating a fictional setting based on a real, well-known place to them.

In maths, the children have continued to work enthusiastically through our fractions sequence. They have used their multiplication and division knowledge to support them when multiplying and dividing fractions as well as finding a fraction of an amount.

On Wednesday afternoon, when learning about the Tudors, the children made a booklet to compare the lives of rich and poor Tudors. They learnt about their homes, clothes and diet.

Finally, it was brilliant to see everyone dressed up to take part in the Santa Run on the track. Congratulations to everyone who took part and earned their medal! Have a brilliant weekend!



CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2024



Winkleigh Primary School
Christmas Art
Competition
50p per A4 artwork
Categories:
Nursery & Ows
KS1
KS2
Bring to school for judging on
Monday 16th December
Chocolate prizes
for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in
each category



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 Beans
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 Nov 25 Nov 16 Dec 20 Jan 10 Feb 10 Mar 31 Mar					

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
Week Two: 11 Nov 2 Dec 6 Jan 27 Jan 24 Feb 17 Mar					

3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	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
Week Three: 18 Nov 9 Dec 13 Jan 3 Feb 3 Mar 24 Mar					

SOUTH WEST
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As of the 4th November 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 OLDS



Wraparound Care

Flexible before and after school care available Monday to Friday each week during term time, with nutritious breakfasts and healthy snacks provided as well as appropriately supervised fun activities and games. Everybody is welcome, from Nursery to Year 6 with a range of different activities to suit the different age groups.

Early Birds

Early Birds Breakfast Club runs from 7.45am to 9.00am everyday. You may book as many days as you require. There are two options to choose, either with breakfast for £5.30 per session, or without breakfast for £4.30 per session.



All Sorts

All Sorts After School Club runs from 3.30pm to 5.30pm every day. You may book regular or ad-hoc sessions, whichever suits your requirements. You may book sessions for one hour for £5.30 (3.30pm - 4.30pm or 4.30pm - 5.00pm / 4.30pm - 5.30pm when booked in conjunction with an Enrichment Club), two hours for £10.60 (3.30pm-5.30pm).

All sessions must be booked in advance via the gateway.



Tax-free childcare vouchers are accepted



ALL SORTS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Come and join us for fun and games after school every day during term time. Sessions available from 3.30pm-5.30pm. £5 per hour.

We have set activities available every day, but will adapt what's on offer depending on the children's preference. For example, art and craft is always on a Wednesday but can be provided any day of the week at the children's request.

All sessions will include some outdoor play when possible. Snacks are available for those children staying after 4.30pm (except Thursdays when we eat what we cook!)

CONSTRUCTION CLUB MONDAY—Let your imagination reach new heights! What will you build with Lego, K-nex, marble runs and more. We sit down around 4 o' clock to enjoy an All Sorts family tea; children 'construct' their own sandwiches!

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT TUESDAYS — we will have a different theme each week, including drumming, fife, ukulele, singing, yoga, Bollywood and Latin dance.

ARTS & CRAFTS WEDNESDAYS — will have a different theme each week, from painting and paper art, to stencils and sewing, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Art and craft is available every day for those who choose it.

COOKING THURSDAYS—we have a different theme each week

FUN & GAMES FRIDAYS—games, crafts and of course outdoor play!



**BOOK YOUR SESSIONS ON THE GATEWAY,
VIA THE CLUBS SECTION**



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.



UK Health
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Agency



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

No

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

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



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.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!

Are you entitled?

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