



Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, well done to all our Year 6 children who completed their SAT's tests this week. They all showed determination and resilience throughout the week. It was lovely to see them all in for bacon rolls and orange juice each morning, it made such a lovely start to the day and set the children up with a positive frame of mind.

Well done to our Year 5 children who behaved impeccably well at their trip to the mosque in Exeter and the tour of Exeter City Football Club. It is important that children gain an insight into different cultures and religious practices.

Thank you to FOW's for organising the school disco, we are looking forward to seeing the children later and their dance moves. A lot of organisation goes into these activities and everyone's hard work is greatly appreciated.

Next week is the final week before the half term break and we have so much going on. Owls are visiting Bickleigh Railway, Year 1 are off to Northern Burrows. Some of Year 2's are off to Bow Primary School for a football match, Year 3 have a rounders' tournament at QE. Year 4 are off to Haven Banks for canoeing and team building, some of Year 5 and Year 6's are participating in a cricket tournament at Hatherleigh. Lastly some of Key Stage 2 are competing in an aquathon in Torrington. What a lovely way to end the half term.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES

W/C 20TH MAY 2024



<p>Saturday 18th May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking School Meals, Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 27th May</i>
<p>Monday 20th May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ Yr 5/6 Cricket Festival (those involved have received letters) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Sewing & Crochet Club with Mrs Elsworth ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Choir Club with Miss McLean/Mr Davis ◆ DEADLINE - Nursery & Owls - Clive Pigs Story Teller Visit
<p>Tuesday 21st May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ Yr 1 Educational Trip to Northam Burrows ◆ Yr 2 Football Festival (those involved have received letters) ◆ Yr 3 Rounders at QE Crediton ◆ Yr 4 Educational Trip to Haven Bank ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club with Mr Walter ◆ 3.30pm-4:30pm Play and Explore Club with Mrs Stapley
<p>Wednesday 22nd May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Admin Team Training Day - no admin staff in school after 9.30am. Emails will be checked periodically throughout the day, please telephone school if your message is urgent. ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 2 Multisports with Primary Sports
<p>Thursday 23rd May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 2, Year 4 ◆ Owls Educational Trip to Bickleigh Railway Centre ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Construction Club with Mrs Bourner & Mrs Keast ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Rounders Club with Mr Slocombe
<p>Friday 24th May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 3 ◆ Aquathon 2024 (Those involved have received letters) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 1 Multisports with Primary Sports ◆ DEADLINE - KS2 Day trip to The Bear Trail
<p>Saturday 25th May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking School Meals, Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 3rd June</i>

Emails sent this week: Fathers Day Breakfast, Yr 2 Little Wandle, Yr 1 Little Wandle, Yr 3 Climbing & Camping Residential, Nursery & Owls - Clive Pig Story Teller Visit Deadline, SOE3 Aquathon, Yr 5/6 Rounders Match, Yr 1 - The everywhere bear, Genus Lunch Change, Hatherleigh Cricket,

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Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week, it has been all about aeroplanes!

The children have been discussing where they would like to travel on their aeroplane and who they would go with! We have travelled from Dawlish to America!

They have also been making planes using play dough, using different shapes and textures to create their own aeroplane and in maths we have talked about and ordered the size of different vehicles using the key words - big/bigger/biggest/small/smaller/smallest/long/longer/longest and short/shorter/shortest.

Maybe over the weekend talk about the size of different objects around the house?

Have wonderful weekend

The Nursery Team



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

In Owls Class this week, the children have focused on shape in maths. They have loved investigating and drawing shapes, manipulating shapes to build castles and houses, making shape pizzas, and tangram pictures.



They have looked at how shapes are similar and how they are different, describing the number of corners and edges each one has. ***I wonder if you can spot any shapes around the house this weekend Owls?***

In Drawing Club, the children have thoroughly enjoyed listening to the story of The Gingerbread Man. The new vocabulary has been: jolly, soggy, scurry, leap, pursue, cunning and topple. In our class story, the bakers decided to bake cakes instead of Gingerbread men as these can't run away so on Wednesday we also decided to make our own cakes, linking it to our maths topic of shape!

Continuing with our theme of travel and transport, the children enjoyed thinking about travelling around the world linked to the story 'Charlie's Superhero Underpants!' They used the Beebots to program journeys, trying to visit all the different countries that Charlie had on his quest to find his underpants!

Next week we will be focusing on trains as our form of transport to link with our trip to Bickleigh Railway Centre which we are all very excited about!

Please can you ensure that your child brings a refillable water bottle to school with them every day. We do have some spares in case of emergencies but we don't like to make a habit of this as we need to avoid sharing germs!

Have a lovely weekend Owls and let's hope the sunshine makes a return!



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Year 1— Mrs Keast & Mr Saltearn

This week in English we have been writing our own set of instructions. We have been writing instructions for making a bug hotel. We based this on our experience of making them with Darcie's Mum Leanne earlier in the year. We ended the week by making our own "worm world" wormery. Next week we will be independently writing a set of instructions for making a wormery.



In Maths we have been learning about quarters and have been splitting shapes and quantities into four. We remembered that the four parts must be equal and not every number can be shared between four equally. Next week we will be learning about position and direction.



In RE we learned about the Jewish celebration of Shabbat. We saw how families get ready for Shabbat and looked at the objects that are used in the celebration. We were surprised to learn about some of the things that Jewish children are not allowed to do during Shabbat, including watching TV and writing!



We are excited for our trip next week - hopefully the weather will be dry for us. Please remember your bucket and spade for the sculpture making!

Year 2—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mr Saltearn

This week, Year 2 have continued their learning about time, they have been telling the time to the hour and looking at how many minutes are in an hour and hours in a day, comparing different amounts of time.

In English, we have continued our learning on '*Stella and the Seagull*' and have compared the similarities and differences between our book and '*Dear Greenpeace*'.

In Science, the children carried out an experiment to see how we can change the forms of different materials.

In PE we have been practicing our athletics for sports day, looking specifically at the long jump.

The children started to build their 3D fish sculptures in art and next week we will make them into a 3D model and evaluate how they have turned out.

Have a great weekend Year 2



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Year 3—Mr Slocombe

What a brilliant week in Year 3! In English, we have completed our '*Big Book of Blooms*' of sequence, publishing and illustrating our writing. We have thoroughly enjoyed this unit and it has been brilliant to connect up our science and writing learning.



Maths has seen us tell the time to the nearest 5-minutes and the nearest minute, using this to calculate the duration of events.



In science, we considered the life cycle of a flowering plant, drawing and annotating a diagram to show this. The children were able to use their knowledge from Rosemoor and our writing to inform their learning.



Meanwhile, in geography, we thought about the similarities and differences between physical features of Poland and the United Kingdom, comparing the Tatra Mountains with the Lake District.

RE saw us consider ways that Jesus impacts Christians lives, through charity, love and respect.



Have a super weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week for our final week of Summer 1!

Year 4—Miss McLean

This week in maths, Year Four have been working on converting times between analogue and digital times including 12 and 24-hours.

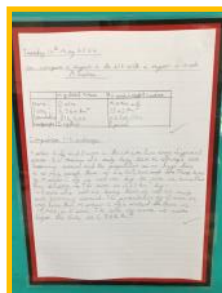
In English, we have been getting to know the book '*Outdoor Wonderland*' by using some pages from the book as inspiration to practice the grammar features, we have previously covered.

In science on Monday, we categorised and identified living things using a dichotomous key. The children practiced asking yes or no questions to work out which animal their partner was thinking about.

We learnt that a capital city is the city that the country is governed from and then had a go at finding the capital cities in North America. We then moved on to compare Devon and Mexico City by looking at the difference in area and population.

Finally, in art on Wednesday, the children planned their sculpture that they will make next week taking inspiration from the artist Alexander Calder.

Have a wonderful weekend!



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Year 5—Mr Walter

This week Year 5 have been planning their own adventure story in English. Thinking carefully about characters and settings before giving greater detail of the friends, foes and ordeals they will face along the way. Creating some fantastic animal based characters whilst using their learnt grammatical techniques to help build suspense.

In maths, we have started our next sequence focussing on position and direction. We have enjoyed recapping how to read and plot coordinates by playing battleships against our face partners. This has allowed us to explore the first quadrant before delving deeper into the other three. Our sustainable work this week involved us researching a chosen companies sustainability plan. Writing them a letter to detail what they are already doing and asking how they are going to achieve their goals. We also gave advice of ways we thought they could lower their carbon footprint further.

Well done to everyone at our trip on Thursday! First, we went to Exeter City Football Stadium, this allowed us to tour the stadium. Our volunteer tour guides detailed the history as we explored the different rooms and areas of the ground. Everyone was excited to see who they could recognise in the pictures as we walked around. Particular excitement came from wearing signed shirts and handling memorabilia in the museum and sitting in the home changing rooms. Secondly, we walked to Exeter Mosque. This linked with our previous RE sequence of learning. It was fantastic to be welcomed into the religious setting whilst understanding a different culture. We were amazed that the Iman could recite the Quran from cover to cover and enjoyed listening and watching the call to prayer. Everyone respected and listened amazingly throughout the day (Even on a march from one Exeter train station to the other).

Have a fantastic weekend everyone!



Year 6—Mr Davis

Congratulations all of Year 6!!



FRIENDS OF WINKLEIGH SCHOOL

will you.....
wear something bright? bold?
spotty? odd socks? crazy hair?
hat? superhero cape?
anything non uniform goes!

dare to be different day
friday 7th june 2024
£1 per child

Payment by cash in a named envelope to your child's teacher on the day or BACS payment to Friends of Winkleigh School Account: 22077944 sort code:54-21-14

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

- £1 per week
- Weekly cash prizes
- £25,000 jackpot

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Winkleigh Primary School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Winkleigh Primary School

Splitting the £1.00

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means

- = £30 weekly cash prize
- = £2,080 a year for our school

Buy A Ticket

GambleAware 18

Want to make a difference in your community and to the educational experience of local children?

The Woodland Federation - comprising Kings Nympton and Winkleigh Primary School - is looking to recruit enthusiastic and committed Governors as volunteers who will make a vital contribution to the success of the schools.

School Governors have three key roles;

- Governors ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Governors hold the Headteacher to account for the performance of the school and the effective and efficient performance management of staff
- Governors oversee the financial performance of the school

You do not need to be an expert in education and we would be delighted to hear from anyone who;

- Is interested in children's education and the performance of schools
- Has the time and the energy for the role
- Has an enquiring mind and the confidence to ask questions and debate issues that affect the schools
- Can consider matters objectively and make informed judgements

All Governors must have a Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks. Training will be provided. To find out more, please get in touch for an informal chat by contacting the Clerk to governors:
clerk@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk



ATTENDANCE

What does the law say about attendance?

By law, all children of compulsory school age (between 5 and 16 yrs) must get a suitable, full-time education. As a parent **you are responsible** for making sure this happens.

Parents and carers commit an offence if a child does not attend school regularly and the absence is not agreed by the school.

Will an absence be authorised by the school?

Schools can only agree absences for a limited range of exceptional circumstances, these are typically absences that are completely unavoidable. Absences that **will not be agreed** might include:

- Arrival after registers have closed.
- Absences that are not properly explained.
- Day trips and holidays in term time.
- Leaving the school without school authorisation during the day.

Repeated unauthorised absences may be referred to Devon County Council for Parent Responsibility measures to improve attendance.

Who can help you?

Do not be afraid to ask for help if a problem arises.

Parents and carers should reach out to the school to explore how they can support and/or contact other services available to help.



Devon Safeguarding Children Partnership

www.devonscp.org.uk/

Public Health Nursing Hubs

Tel: 03332341910

www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/health/public-health-nursing/

Early Help

Northern Devon: Earlyhelpnorthsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Southern Devon: Earlyhelpsouthsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Mid & East Devon: Earlyhelpmidwestsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Exeter: Earlyhelpexetersecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk



Devon Independent Advisory Service

[DIAS devonias@devon.gov.uk](mailto:DIAS.devonias@devon.gov.uk)

School attendance matters

Attendance advice and guidance for parents and carers

For further information about the Attendance Improvement Team and Devon Childrens Services please see our website:
www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/

Why is good school attendance important?

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential to supporting a child or young person to flourish, fulfil their potential and enables them to:

- learn
- make and manage friendships
- develop new skills
- have fun
- experience new things in the world around them
- develop awareness and respect of other cultures, religion, ethnicity, and gender differences
- build confidence and self-esteem
- achieve and thrive with a sense of belonging to their school community
- prioritise their well-being and happiness
- be given the best start in life, enabling the best possible choices in their future

Missing school... missing out!

Don't let your child be the one to miss out!

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent number of missed:		
	Days	Weeks	Average lessons
95%	9	2	54
90%	19	4	114
85%	29	6	174
80%	38	8	228
75%	48	10	288
70%	57	11.5	342
65%	67	13.5	402

"We are only a few minutes late" - Does it matter?

Being late for school reduces learning time and does not prepare your child or young person for their future working lives.

- Arrival 5 minutes late every day = 3 days of learning missed each year
- Arrival 15 minutes late every day = 10 days or 2 weeks of learning each year.

How you can help your child or young person to have excellent attendance in school

- Always inform the school if your child is absent.
- Talk openly to your child about school and work in partnership with the school to best support them.
- Encourage your child to attend regularly and advocate, speak up on behalf of their needs.
- Arrange medical or dental appointments outside of school hours when possible.
- Establish good morning and bedtime routines.
- Support your child to arrive at school on time.
- Take truancy seriously - consider where are they? Who are they with? What are they doing?
- Where possible attend parent consultations and school events.
- Value and acknowledge achievements in school.
- Take family holidays, visit family outside of term time.

Young people regularly missing school without good reason = increased risk of becoming isolated from their friends, underachieving in their learning and/or have vulnerability to become involved in anti-social behaviour.

A good diet and sleep routine adds to successful learning.

Every minute in school counts!

Helping your child to arrive at school on time, wearing correct uniform gives them a positive start to their day.

Regular school attendance teaches a young person life skills like time keeping, problem solving and independence.

Help your child by encouraging them to get their uniform and school bag ready the night before.

SPRING/SUMMER MENU

FROM 15TH APRIL 2024



Week One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Norse Beef Burger In a Bap	Roast Chicken With Stuffing	Salmon & Broccoli Pasta In Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Quorn Burger In a Bap	Veggie Roast Wellington	Freshly Prepared Mac & Cheese	Vegetable Fingers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Salad Sticks Potato Wedges	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sliced Carrots	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Flapjack with Apple Wedges	Chocolate Shortbread
Baguette*	Ham, Cheddar Cheese	Ham , Cheese	Salmon , Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheddar Cheese	Ham , Cheese
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Baguette: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	15/04/24 - 07/05/24 - 03/06/24 - 24/06/24 - 15/07/24 - 09/09/24 - 30/09/24 - 21/10/24				

Week Two

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Sausage Roll	Roast Gammon	Chicken & Vegetable Meatballs In Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita	Vegan Sausage Roll	Cheese, Potato & Leek Parcel	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans or Crunchy Salad Sticks & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pasta & Country Mixed Veg	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Chocolate Arctic Roll	Sticky Toffee Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Mandarin Orange Jelly	Oat & Sultana Cookie
Baguette*	Ham , Cheese	Ham, Cheddar Cheese	Salmon , Tuna Mayo	Ham , Cheese	Ham, Cheddar Cheese
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Baguette: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	22/04/24 - 13/05/24 - 10/06/24 - 01/07/24 - 22/07/24 - 16/09/24 - 07/10/24				

Week Three

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margarita Pizza	Chicken Curry	Butchers Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake	Homemade Cheese Wheels	Quorn Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn Bolognese	Quorn Dippers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Peas & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sweetcorn & Spaghetti	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Orange & Mango Iced Smoothie	Rice Krispie Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Oaty Apple Crunch	Homemade Jammy Dodger
Baguette*	Ham, Cheddar Cheese	Ham , Cheese	Salmon , Tuna Mayo	Ham, Cheddar Cheese	Ham , Cheese
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Baguette: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	29/04/24 - 20/05/24 - 17/06/24 - 08/07/24 - 02/09/24 - 23/09/24 - 14/10/24				

WRAPAROUND CARE

FOR 2 TO 11 YEAR OLDS



Early Birds Breakfast Club



Join us at our Early Birds Breakfast club from 7:45am - 9am term time only.



Sessions are £5 including breakfast or £4 if you just want to play.

Places must be booked in advance via the gateway

Tax-Free Childcare Vouchers Accepted



WRAPAROUND CARE

Flexible before school care available during term time. Nutritious breakfast provided with regular continental specials. For Nursery and School children aged 2yrs to 11yrs.





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
Security
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



Advice and guidance

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



Are you entitled?

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