

Winkleigh Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been packed with exciting activities and opportunities for our children!

Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic time visiting QE for a gymnastics event, as part of our school sports partnership. The day was filled with learning new skills and lots of fun! A special thank you to Josh and Macie, our wonderful Year 6 Sports Ambassadors, for supporting the children on the trip.

Our Year 3 pupils enjoyed a walk around the village, where they identified physical features and connected with our local community.

The whole school had an incredible time during Science Day! Each key stage enjoyed an exciting show by Wonderstruck, complete with bangs and explosions that amazed everyone. Additionally, Year 5 and Kings Nympton Class 2 participated in a hands-on science workshop. It was lovely to see Kings Nympton children joining us and enjoying the activities with their peers. There were some amazing costumes, well done to all those who dressed up, we have never seen so many scientists in one place! A big thank you to Mr Slocombe for organising such a memorable day!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

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Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

SCIENCE DAY



EARLY YEARS AND KEY STAGE I



SCIENCE DAY











































DIARY DATES



W/C 27TH JANUARY 2025

<u>NEW</u> <u>Daily Deadlines</u>	 Lunch Deadline 8.00am on the same day. All Sorts Deadline 8.30am on the same day. Early Birds Deadline 3.00pm the day before. Please continue to email admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk to make any amendments for the above.
Monday 27th January	 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. Utilita Cup at Exeter City Football Club (Those involved have received
Monday 27 th Garidary	 letters) 1.30pm-2.30pm Year 2 Village Walk PE kit today: Year 2, Year 3, Year 5 3.30pm-4.30pm Craft Club with Mrs Stapley 3.30pm-4.30pm Flute Club with Miss McLean
Tuesday 28th January	 PE kit today: Owls, Year 4, Year 6 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club with Mr Walter 3.30pm-4.30pm Fine Art Club with Emmylou
Wednesday 29th January	◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 4
Thursday 30th January	 PE kit today: Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club Year 1 to Year 6
Friday 31st January	◆ PE kit today: Year 5

Emails sent this week: Family Breakfast and Open Morning—Friday 14th February 2025, Educational Visit—Kents Cavern—Tuesday 25th February 2025, Science Day—Thursday 23rd January 2025, Wraparounf Care—Booking Amendments, Premier League U11 Girls Cup—Thursday 13th February 2025 (Those involved have received letters)



SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

What a magical week! The children are enjoying our fairy tale theme and this week we looked at the story *Cinderellla*. The children made their own crowns and wands, enjoyed dressing up and playing with the castle small world toys.

In the garden the children have enjoyed constructing and taking part in a challenging obstacle course where they have been balancing and taking turns beautifully.

Please can all clothing, water bottles and lunch boxes be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Below is a song we have been singing.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Nursery Team



Fairy Tales (to the tune of jingle bells)

Fairy Tales! Fairy Tales! Read them every day! Oh what fun it is to hear How Goldilocks got away!

Fairy Tales! Fairy Tales!
Full of joy and laughter!
Do you know how this one ends?
Why, its HAPPILY EVER AFTER!





















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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

What a great time Owls Class had yesterday during our Science day. We linked our current topic of weather and the seasons to the day by making windmills to measure wind speed. The children enjoyed testing them outside thinking about what sorts of weather would make them spin faster or slower.

In drawing club we have focused on the animation 'Batfink' this week and the children enjoyed investigating magnetism linked to the Batfink story 'short circuit.' They also had a lovely time investigating slime and ooblek!

Our words linked to drawing club this week have been: valiant, magnetic, rescue, spark, thrilling, villain and direction.

Have a lovely weekend Owls.

I wonder where you will put your windmill at home to keep an eye on the weather?





















SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Year 1— Mrs Keast

Science Day this week was a real highlight and we loved watching Wonderstruck! perform some amazing scientific experiments. In our class we also carried out some fun activities. We explored magnets, colour mixing and learned about the differences between birds and reptiles. The children made a great effort with their dressing up and it was a brilliant day.

In English this week we went back to the 1980s and watched Bagpuss! The episode gave us lots of great ideas and we have been writing about food we would have in our larder. This gave the children good opportunities to use adjectives in their writing to describe the various foods.

In Maths we have competed our unit on place value within 20. On Monday with Miss Jones the children created some giant number lines using chalk on the playground. We have had lots of discussion about where the numbers are placed and have used the words 'greater than' 'less than' and 'equal to' to compare numbers.











Year 2—Mr Slocombe

In Year 2 this week, we have been busy planning our independent writing about space. The beginning of the week saw us work together to create a shared plan before using this to write our own paragraphs. We then researched and planned our own lift-the-flap text.

Yesterday, we had a great time on science day. We loved watching the show that Peter delivered, also taking part in lots of activities and investigations in the classroom. We made (and ate!) our own rock cakes, experimented with salt, ice and food colouring and even did some chromatography!

In geography, we learnt about Ordnance Survey map symbols. We have been practising identifying what each picture represents. Next week, we will be exploring the human and physical features of Winkleigh.

Maths has involved continuing to learn about mutliplication and division, exploring sharing and grouping.









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Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

Year 3s have had a super week. We have enjoyed going to Queen Elizabeth School to do our gymnastic event.

We have finished our teaching sequence on fairy tales and are looking forward to a non fiction sequence next.

In maths we have been learning many column methods to add, subtract and multiply and we have use the bus stop to divide. We have finished this now and on Monday we are moving on to length and perimeter.

Science Day was amazing! Well done for the fantastic costume efforts so many scientists in different aspects and time of science. We loved making the slime! Let's hope it didn't upset

too many parents!











Year 4—Mr Walter

This week Year 4 travelled to QE with Year 3 for a morning of gymnastics activities supported by the Year 9 students. In groups, everyone enjoyed exploring various jumps, balances, rolls and more.

In English, we have started to think of our own mythical create that we could create a care guide for, thinking carefully about our subheadings for the contents page. Whereas in maths we have continued to find the commutative links in multiplication and any similarities with division

A massive thank you to Mr Slocombe for organising a fantastic science day for us all! It started with a 'bang' in our show watching the fantastic experiments and creations from Wonderstruck. The outfits were amazing, I can't wait to see how World Book Day compares in March! Throughout the day, we conducted some experiments that linked to our electricity sequence by exploring how to make a battery using a lemon and how to fix a broken circuit. Finally, we had a go at creating our own lava lamps watching the reactions of the products used.

Have a great weekend!











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Year 5— Mr Saltearn

A fantastic week in Year 5 this week. In English, we have started our new sequence on Short stories and have been investigating the different vocabulary from the book. We have also been identifying different genres within the book and have started to look at the role adverbials play within a sentence and adding them to our sentences.

In Maths, we have started our new sequence on fractions and have been multiplying unit, and non unit fractions by integers.

On Thursday, we had our Science day. The children really enjoyed the show by Wonderstruck in the morning and after creating their own rockets to launch with the children from KS2 at Kings Nympton. The children enjoyed working together to create their rockets and firing them at the balloon. In the afternoon, the children created their own cubes and tried to create square bubbles. The children looked fantastic in their science attire and really enjoyed immersing themselves in Science for the day.

In PE, this week we have continued our sequences on dance and netball. In dance, we built on dance sequences in our groups.

Have a great weekend Year 5.





Year 6—Miss McLean

It was brilliant to see so many children dressed up for science day yesterday, they loved watching the show and taking part in the workshop!

We have finished our English sequence by writing the journeys of ordinary objects following the structure of our model text. We have talked about the impact of using expanded noun phrases, passive voice, adverbials for cohesion and parenthesis. The children have produced some beautifully presented pieces of work.

In maths, we have moved onto the percentages part of our sequence, beginning to link the idea of percentages with fractions and decimals.

We have been learning about the significant artist LS Lowry in art and this week tried replicating some of his matchstick figures using a range of tools to create different sized and shaped figures. We discussed how perspective will make objects that are smaller look further away.

Finally, in geography we learnt about the physical geography of South America by researching the Andes. We looked at a range of features such as how mountains are formed, how volcanoes erupt and also discussed the use of animals to support farming on the slopes.

Have a lovely weekend!

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
	Weel	Three: 18 Nov 9 D	Dec 13 Jan 3 Feb 3	Mar 24 Mar	

You can order lunch till 8am on the same day. KS1 children are all entitled to free school meals.

Wraparound Care 27th January 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-4.30 - £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 in advance on 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