

Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, Owls Class had an exciting visit from the Torrington dentist. The children learned about dental hygiene and the importance of looking after their teeth—an engaging and informative session for all.

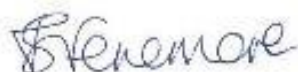
On Monday we will be launching our new Tree Group Token System! Currently each child is in a tree group and they are used for sports and weekly class quizzes, but from Monday children will earn tokens for demonstrating our golden rules: respect, resilience, and kindness, in addition to the ways they currently earn tokens. At the end of the half-term, the tree group with the most tokens will enjoy a special reward. The children are already very excited, we are looking forward to seeing the jars fill up.

A huge congratulations to our Year 3/4 and Year 6 children who participated in a football match against Bow yesterday. The Year 6 team celebrated a comfortable win, while the Year 3/4 team narrowly missed victory, losing by just one goal. Well done to all the players for their fantastic effort and teamwork!



Next week, we are eagerly anticipating our Science Day, where we will welcome Wonderstruck for one of their incredible shows that never fails to amaze the children. We are also excited to welcome students from Kings Nympton, who will be joining us for the day. It promises to be a day full of discovery and fun for everyone!

Have a lovely weekend.



Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES

W/C 20TH JANUARY 2025



Saturday 18th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club till 6pm for w/c 27th January.</i>
Monday 20th January	<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. ◆ Gymnastics at QECC: Year 3 & 4 (PE Kit to be worn) ◆ 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 21st January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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 22nd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 1.15pm-2.45pm Year 3 Village Walk ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 4
Thursday 23rd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Wonderstruck Science Day ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club Year 1 to Year 6
Friday 24th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 5
Saturday 25th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 3rd March.</i>

Emails sent this week: Owls phonic, Dental Visit tomorrow, Yr 3 & 4 Gymnastics Event DEADLINE, FOWS AGM, Science Day DEADLINE, Year 4 Educational visit to Devonport Energy from Waste Facility—Thursday 6th Feb 2025, KS1 Football Festival, Bikeability, Primary Sports Glow in the Dark Dodgeball,

THE LEARNING ZONE

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Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week we have centred our learning around 'Each Peach Pear plum' as part of our overarching theme 'Once upon a time'.

The children have enjoyed hearing the story and filling in some of the rhyming parts of the story.

We have also painted our spring term self portraits and it has been lovely to see the progress the children have made with their paintings from their last self portrait that they created back in September.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Nursery Team

Below is a song we have been singing.

Tommy Thumb

("Hands in the air and raise Tommy Thumb.")

*Tommy Thumb, Tommy Thumb,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?*

("Now it's Peter Pointer's turn which is your index finger. He's the one who points.")

*Peter Pointer, Peter Pointer,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?*

("Now it's Toby Tall which is your middle finger. He's the tallest one of them all.")

*Toby Tall, Toby Tall,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?*

("And now it's Ruby Ring. She's the fourth one along.")

*Ruby Ring, Ruby Ring,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?*

("Last, but not least is Baby Small. He's the littlest finger of all!")

*Baby Small, Baby Small,
Where are you?
Here I am, here I am,
How do you do?*

("OK, now for the last time put your fingers in the air, give them a wiggle and wave them everywhere!")

*Fingers all, Fingers all,
Where are you?
Here we are, here we are,
How do you do?
Here we are, here we are,
How do you do?*



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

In Owls Class this week our drawing club book has been '*The Magic Porridge Pot*'. It has been wonderful to hear the children's ideas for their own characters and plots linked to this story. Our new vocabulary linked to this book has been: peculiar, enchanted, dwell, despair, steaming, cease and invisible. **Can you remember what these words mean and the actions associated with them Owls?**

In maths we have been using the language of one more and one less and have sung songs, played games and listened to stories linked to this theme.

The children enjoyed their visit from Kim at Torrington Dental Practice on Tuesday and learnt lots about how to look after their teeth as well as how to brush them properly.

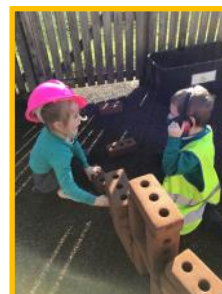
We are very much looking forward to our Science day next Thursday where we have lots of fun activities planned!

Please can we remind everyone to send in a pair of welly boots to keep at school if possible please. We love to get out and about in our grounds but it is a bit muddy at the moment and welly boots come in very handy!

Have a great weekend Owls.

I wonder if you can find some inventive ways to learn your tricky words this weekend? Some ideas have been sent home on a separate email.

Have fun!



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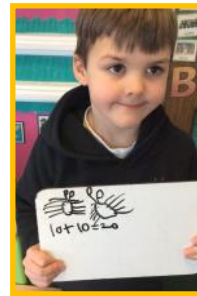


Year 1— Mrs Keast

Year One have been working hard on their Curious Quest this week. We enjoyed reading Snow White and learned some new vocabulary including the words magnificent, jealous and disguised. We learned what adjectives are and have been trying hard to use them in our sentences to add description. We have also been practising our letter formation and using the tricky word mats independently.

Our Maths this week has involved working on numbers to 20. We have been thinking about the number of tens and ones in a given number. We have used Numicon and dienes to help with this and we have also been recording these numbers using part-whole models. We are still working on forming our numbers correctly and ensuring that two-digit numbers are recorded in the right order.

We had fun learning about dental health on Tuesday. Kim came from Torrington Dental Practice to talk about brushing technique, healthy foods and habits. It was exciting to use the disclosing tablets to see how much plaque was left behind on our teeth!



Year 2—Mr Slocombe

It has been another great week in Year 2! We were pleased to welcome Kim from Torrington Dental Practice on Tuesday. We showed off our super brushing skills and used disclosing tablets to check the cleanliness of our mouths!

In English, we have continued to look at our sequence around space. We have revised and built on our knowledge of verbs, conjunctions and sentence construction in order to convey information.

Maths has seen us learn about equal groups and adding them before moving on to using the multiplication symbol.

In geography, we learnt about the difference between human and physical geographical features. **I wonder if you can spot any this weekend?**

During science, we considered the life cycle of a human from baby to old age.

Have a super weekend and I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday!



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Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

Year three have enjoyed writing a version of Hansel and Gretel. They have focussed on conjunctions, direct speech and verbs. On Thursday they planned their own version of the story, tweaking it slightly but staying true to the good versus evil aspect.

In maths they have been using short multiplication to work out how to multiply, then they moved on to using short division, or the bus stop method to learn how to divide. As they are very good now at presenting their work in their maths books, with the hundred, tens and ones columns, this first step of short division was well achieved. The children moved a step further in 'bus stop' method, using exchange. As they had met this before many of the children did well.

In geography, the children looked at a map of the UK and labelled where cities are.

In science the children learnt about the magnetic field and how it attracts or repels magnetic objects.



Year 4—Mr Walter

First of all well done to all the children who came to Bow for the football matches this week. A fantastic effort was shown by all and we are looking forward to more matches in the future.

In English this week we have been exploring the differences between co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions. Using our text of How to care for a pet dragon, we have been experimenting how to develop our sentences.

In maths, our focus has been on extending our knowledge of multiplication and division. We started the week understanding how to find factor pairs of a number and introducing prime numbers. Throughout the week we have then been extending methods to multiply a number by 10 and 100 before moving onto dividing by the same amounts.

In science we looked into the different symbols used for electrical components. This allowed us to construct our own circuits using the materials to see how the circuits would work. In art, we used David Hockney's examples of water to create our own colour palette of the shades we could make to represent water.

Finally, in PE we have been learning about the different passes in netball and shots in tennis.

Well done Year 4, have a good weekend!



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Year 5— Mr Saltearn

This week in Year 5, we have continued our sequence on The Lost Words and the children have created their own poem/spell around an animal or plant of their choice, including different imagery devices that we have learnt about. After completing we have been practicing editing our work, looking for synonyms and ways that we can add detail to our writing.

In Maths, this week we have completed our sequence on multiplication and have been practicing short division, next week we are starting to learn about fractions and multiplying fractions by integers.

In PE, we have continued to practice our dance and have been building on our sequence in our groups. On Monday, we continued practice our skills in netball and learnt about different positions and where they can go on the court, looking at passing the ball and continuing to move into space.

This week in Geography, we have been identifying and locating key rivers using an atlas. In groups we started to research the key rivers of the world and build a detailed fact file.

Have a great weekend Year 5.



Year 6—Miss McLean

Year Six have done a lot of work on punctuation and grammar features this week including looking at the passive voice and parenthesis. The children have started writing some brilliant pieces of work to describe the journey of honey as our shared writing and are looking forward to planning and writing some of their own journeys next week.

In maths we have continued with our work on decimals, linking this to the four operations. We have used methods that the children are familiar with to add, subtract, multiply and divide with decimals. Next week, we will start linking our decimals knowledge to fractions and percentages too.

The children got stuck into our art lesson on shading techniques on Wednesday, having a go at creating light and dark in multiple ways. In geography, we started learning about South America by discussing its location and climate. This half term in music, the children are learning about the musical structure of 'theme and variations' and have started composing their own variations of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star.

Finally, congratulations to the children who took part in the football tournament against Bow yesterday! Have a brilliant weekend!



COMPETITION

DEADLINE 24TH JANUARY



The Woodland Federation

The PE and Art ambassadors invite you to create your own school sports mascot.



SCHOOL MASCOT

Competition

On an A4 peice of paper draw, colour, label and name your original but simple sports mascot design to be used at school.

£1

**Deadline
24th
January**

JOB OPPORTUNITY



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WE WANT YOU

Temporary Caretaker – Winkleigh Primary School

A fantastic opportunity to join our quality driven cleaning team, giving you the chance to work for a national service provider with excellent opportunities and benefits.

18 Hours per week, Monday to Friday

£13.19 Per Hour

Call Area Manager on 07876385459 or Area Supervisor Chloe Walker on 07824383680 for more information

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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					

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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

Starting w/c
27th January

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
£5.30 per hour
3.30pm - 4.30pm, 3.30pm - 5pm
3.30pm - 5.30pm, 3.30pm - 6pm
(for after Enrichment Club)
4.30pm - 5pm, 4.30pm - 5.30pm
4.30pm - 6pm

All sessions must be booked in advance on the gateway
Tax-free childcare vouchers accepted

All Sorts After School Club 3.30pm - 6pm

Come and join us for fun and games after school every day during term time. Sessions available from 3.30pm - 6pm. £5.30 per hour. We have set activities available every day, but will adapt what's on offer depending on the child's preference. For example, art and crafts is always 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 Thursday when we eat what we cook)

Book on the gateway via the clubs section

Monday
Construction
Club

Tuesday
Music &
Movement

Wednesday
Arts &
Craft

Thursday
Cooking

Friday
Fun &
Games

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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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!

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