

Winkleigh Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers.

As we approach the final week of this half term, it's a good time to reflect on how busy and rewarding it has been for our students and the wider school community during these last weeks.

Ours school ambassadors are planning some future school events. They have met together for activities and fundraising opportunities for the coming months, the first being a scarecrow competition for the week after half-term. Well done!

Our Year 2 class visited Trethorn this week and had an amazing time playing with one another in a different learning environment, they came back with stories of new experience which they were eager to share with everyone.

We are incredibly proud of all the students who participated in the Stephen's Shield Cross Country event! Our Running Club, along with several enthusiastic students from Year 5 and Year 6, represented our school with energy and determination. Whether it was tackling the challenging course or cheering on their peers, they showed fantastic sportsmanship throughout the event. Well done to everyone involved, you made our school very proud!

A special thank you to all the grandparents who joined us for the Owls Class Grandparents' Lunch. The children loved having the chance to share a meal with their grandparents and show them a bit of their daily school life. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did and look forward to more events like this in the future!

Don't miss out on our *Family Breakfast & Open Morning* next Friday! It is always a big hit with both parents and children and a great way to catch up with what is happening in school.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Mrs V Fenemore, Executive Headteacher

Emails sent this week: Family Breakfast Deadline, Reminder to supply nappies, parent forum cancelled, FOWS AGM—postponed, Parents Evening booking, Thursday 17th Oct running club cancelled, National Childhood Measurement Programme, Aurora Shine Art Club, Year 1 Spellings, Yr 5 Grandparents lunch, Footwear at Nursery, Yr 5 Morwellham Quay Educational Visit, Year 5 and 6 School Games—Tues 22nd October, Stephens Shield Parents to Spectate, Consent reminder—skateboarding Workshop, Christmas Card Order Deadline

DIARY DATES



W/C 21ST OCTOBER 2024

Monday 21st October	 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. Yr 5&6 Tag Rugby at QECC (Those involved have received letters)
	 ◆ PE Kit today: Year 2, Year 4, Year 5
Tuesday 22nd October	◆ PE Kit today: Owls, Year 3, Year 5
	◆ 1.30pm—Yr 5&6 Intrasport Tournament (FOWS Refreshments)
	◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club with Mr Walter
Wednesday 23rd October	 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 4, Year 6
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	 3.30pm-4.30pm Science Club with Mrs Elworthy 3.40pm-6.00pm Parents Evening Online Video Appointments
Thursday 24th October	 PE Kit today: Year 1, Year 3, Year 6 Lunchtime - Yr3/4 Running Club with Mr Slocombe and Mr Walter 3.30pm-4.30pm Yr5/6 Running Club with Mr Slocombe and Mr Walter 2.30pm-6.00pm Yr 4 Parents Evening Online Video Appointments 3.40-6.00pm Parents Evening Online Video Appointments
Friday 25th October	 Dare to be Different—FOWS fundraiser 8.30am-9.15am Family Breakfast and Open Morning PE today: Year 1, Year 2 CONSENT DEADLINE—Skateboarding Workshop KS2 ORDER DEADLINE—Yr5 Grandparents Lunch
Saturday 26th October	Deadline for booking Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 4th November
Thursday 31st October	 PAYMENT DUE—Yr 5 Skern Lodge 1st instalment PAYMENT DUE—Yr 6 London Residential 1st instalment



SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week it has been all about bears! Particularly looking for bears because the children have enjoyed the story 'We're going on a bear hunt' By Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury.

We have created our own maps of the story, made bear masks and have focused on using positional language in, on, under, behind and through to find the hidden bears inside and out in the garden.

Next week we will continue with bear stories so if your child has a reasonably sized favourite teddy or soft toy please feel free to bring them in so they can share them with their friends.

Below is a part of the story we have been performing in class. Have a wonderful and hopefully less wet weekend!

We're Going on a Bear hunt

We're going on a bear hunt

We're gong to catch a big one!

What a beautiful day!

We're not scared!

Oh no! ...























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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

We have been continuing with our theme of kindness and emotions in Owls Class this week. The children have enjoyed listening to the story of *The Rainbow Fish* and worked well to create their own rainbow fish using collage materials as well as continuing to develop their weaving skills.

In maths the children have been learning to add one more and take one away, enjoying singing a range of songs and reading stories to support their learning.

In phonics, the children have learnt the following new sounds: h,b,f and I, as well as the new tricky word 'the.' Next week will be our assessment week where we will focus on consolidating all the sounds and tricky words learnt so far this term.

We are hoping to pay a visit to the local church next week to look at some of the features linked to our RE topic. Please ensure your child has a coat with them on Wednesday in case of rain!























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Year 1— Mrs Keast

Year One have been down the dark, dark cellar this week in Drawing Club, learning about Funnybones – The Pet Shop. We thought about our cellar and what might be down there. Then later in the week we have thought of an alternative pet for Big Skeleton and Little Skeleton.

We have begun learning addition and subtraction this week and particularly focused on the words 'part' and 'whole' when discussing groups of objects and numbers. We have been enjoying lots of practical games using counters and Numicon to explore some basic addition work.

In Geography, Mrs Roberts taught us a lesson which involved creating our own 3D Winkleigh! We had great fun creating individual buildings and landmarks to place on a large outdoor map.

In PSHE this week we thought about how our bodies and our feelings can be hurt. We talked about first aid for physical injuries and how we can help ourselves to feel better if someone hurts our feelings. The children had a lovely discussion about talking to adults or friends if something is making us feel emotional or sad.







Year 2—Mr Slocombe

Year 2 have had another exciting week! I am so impressed with their respect, resilience and kindness towards each other and staff. We had a fantastic day visiting Trethorne Leisure Park on Tuesday! We were lucky to have the entire place to ourselves. We had a look at the animals and talked about their habitats. We saw ducks, geese, chickens, rabbits, guinea pigs and lots of birds! The children (and staff!) thoroughly enjoyed the soft play area and the outdoor park! We had a fantastic time learning to develop our sharing, helpfulness and problem solving throughout the day!

Across the rest of the week, we have been working hard on our learning tasks. English has seen us focus on expanded noun phrases and conjunctions. Maths has involved practising the skill of addition, before moving on to subtracting across ten.

Have a great weekend and I will see you all on Monday for the final week of this half term!











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Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

Another fantastic week in year 3. In English they have been enjoying *The Beasties*, this has given them the opportunity to write short stories. They have looked at what makes a great short story and are trying hard to write their own 10 sentence stories. They are working on handwriting and writing stamina too!

In maths they have been looking at column addition and subtraction. They are looking at exchanging and using a mark in the 100, 10s, 1s column as a reminder to add it. They have been really focusing on presenting this well in their books.

In science they had a research project looking for different rock formations around the world. They loved Antelope Canyon, Giant's Causeway and the Moeraki Boulders. They have developed a good understanding of rock formations and many were able to discuss how and why these rocks have formed this way.







Year 4—Mr Walter

This week Year 4 have completed their English poetry sequence. We have been exploring different poetic devices and focussing on writing poems with varied stanza length and rhyming patterns. Until half term, we will be looking at a story told through video of the characters rock, paper and scissors.

In maths, we have also come to the end of our addition and subtraction unit of work. This week, our focus has been on using the inverse operation and balancing different number sentences.

In geography, we highlighted the threats to the rainforest and created a newspaper report detailing the importance to look after this biome.

Whereas in RE we learnt about the Puja plate and the different items that were used to celebrate this Hindu tradition.

Thank you to everyone who supported our cake sale this afternoon and well done to all participants in the Stephen Shield cross country event this morning.

I hope to see and speak to you next week at parent's evening, have a great weekend.











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Year 5— Mr Saltearn

This week year 5 have continued with our sequence in English using the Dictionary of difficult words. We have been linking words together and including them in our writing, the children had to think how a set of eight words could be linked together and create their own story around a theme including these words. We also looked at including all the punctuation and writing skills that we have learnt in the sequence.

In Maths we have been learning about squared, cubed and prime numbers and the children enjoyed discussing what was a prime number and in particular if 1 was a prime number. We used cubes to explore cubed numbers and learnt what the notations (2) and (3) meant.

In Art, the children have started to paint their clay slabs. We are looking forward to seeing the finished product.

In PE, we have continued to practice shooting and have put the skills we have been learning into a game format.

Have a great weekend Year 5.







Year 6—Miss McLean

Year Six have enjoyed started their new English sequence this week, learning about the author Benjamin Zephaniah and getting to know some of his poetry. A favourite has been Talking Turkeys, which the children have taken inspiration from to write their own poems.

In maths, we have reached the end of our four operations work. The children have shown some exceptional teamwork in these maths lessons, choosing to work together to complete some tricky problems.

We are also coming towards the end of our sequences in the foundation subjects as we approach half term. In geography, the children have planned their own eco-tows and represented them on an OS map using the official symbols. In art, they have finished their fabric collages based on a piece of art from an artist that they have studied in their time at our school.

Finally, we have spent some time talking about how to keep ourselves safe online when communicating with others on social media apps. We talked about appropriate communication online and the ages that people should be before using these apps.

Have a great weekend!











WINK EIGH FUNDRAISING







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BONFIRE &



REWORKS NIGH



FRI 1st NOV '24

GATES OPEN 6PM FIREWORKS 7.30PM



WINKLEIGH SPORTS CENTRE

BBQ, Sam's Bar and Disco.

Entrance on the Gate: £4 per person (Under 3s Free)

Buy FAST PASS TICKETS at The Mad Butchers, Post Office & Southwest Fixings.



















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We need at least 3 Volunteers (Chair, Treasurer & Secretary) more are always welcome but if these roles aren't filled there will be no more FOWS.

This is an opportunity for new Parents/Carers, new voices and new ideas to take FOWS forward to support the school in providing the best equipment, resources and activities for Winkleigh school children.

Please join the current members at the AGM on Monday 14th Oct 2pm at Winkleigh school



Chair

THE ROLE:

To direct the committee's meetings, make sure everyone is involved and their views are heard. Ensure all committee members are familiar with the constitution and their roles and responsibilities. The FOWS Chair also holds the casting vote if the outcome is tied.



Treasurer

THE ROLE:

Ensure accurate financial records are kept and that best practice procedures are followed when counting money, making payments and banking. The Treasurer keeps the committee updated with regular reports and ensures end-of-year reports are completed for the association's AGM



Secretary

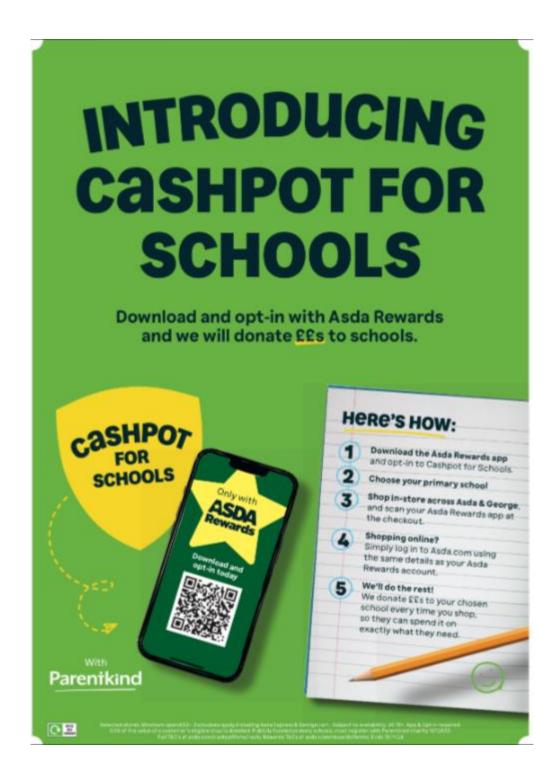
THE ROLE:

Supporting the FOWS Committee to build effective links between the school and the association. Maintain accurate records.

If you are interested in any of these roles or becoming a committee member please join us at our AGM on 14th Oct 2pm or contact f.o.w.s@outlook.com before the AGM.

FUNDRAISING





AUTUMN/WINTER MENU



4TH NOVEMBER 2024 - 4TH APRIL 2024



As of the 4th November you will be able to order you're child / children a meal up till the day before. 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).

Tax-free childcare vouchers are 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

No

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

Glandular fever
Tonsillitis
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!

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