



Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after half term, I hope you all enjoyed the break, as always the children have settled back into their learning routines.

Well done to our Year 5's who completed their bikeability training this week, the instructors were very impressed with their listening skills.

Year 3 enjoyed their day at Kent's Cavern and as always behaved well throughout the day, they learnt about how the caves were formed, the people and animals that lived at Kent's Cavern throughout the Stone Age and the Victorian archaeologists that worked there.

Owls and Key Stage 1 enjoyed watching the Winkleigh Morris Dancers perform yesterday, they even had a go at some of the dance moves.

Don't forget to book your Mother's Day Cream Tea, the deadline is Wednesday 28th February, tickets are selling fast so if you would like to book please do so as soon as possible. The children are really looking forward to welcoming Mums, Grandma's and special people into school.

We are very excited to welcome Jamie Knight in on Thursday, one of the World's top freestyling footballers. We can't wait to see what tricks he will be performing!

The masterclass session with Jamie is now fully booked, please can we ask you to send your child in with £10 by Monday 26th February to secure their place. If we have not received payment by the end of Monday 26th February we will have to offer the place to another child.

Jamie will also be selling his own signed branded freestyle footballs in the playground from 3-3:25pm, this will be on a first come first served basis.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES

W/C 26TH FEBRUARY 2024



Saturday 24th February	<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 2nd March</i>
Monday 26th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Cooking Club with Miss Parsons ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Choir Club with Miss McLean/Mr Davis
Tuesday 27th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bikeability - Group 2 (Year 6) ◆ Year 1/2 Multiskills QE ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ Lunchtime Girls' Football Club with Mr Walter ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club with Mr Walter ◆ 3.30pm-4:30pm Football Club with Mr Davis & Mr Slocombe ◆ DEADLINE - Year 2 West Town Farm Educational Trip
Wednesday 28th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bikeability - Group 2 (Year 6) ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 1 Multisports with Primary Sports ◆ INSTALMENT - Year 6 London Residential ◆ DEADLINE - Consent Freestyle Football Masterclass ◆ DEADLINE - Mothers Day Cream Tea Order
Thursday 29th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 2, Year 4 ◆ Football Freestyler Workshop-Whole School-Trainers to be worn
Friday 1st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 3 ◆ Family Breakfast 8:30am & Open Morning - 8:45am ◆ 2.00pm-3.00pm Nursery Stay & Play ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 2 Multisports with Primary Sports ◆ 5:00pm-6pm Glow in the Dark Dodgeball with Primary Sports
Saturday 2nd March	<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 9th March</i>

Emails sent this week: PE Changes, Yr2 Spellings, Yr4 Spellings, Yr5 Stover County Park, Yr5 Bikeability Reminder, Yr1 Exmoor Zoo, Family Breakfast Deadline, Yr 3 Spellings, Yr2 Home Learning, Family Breakfast Deadline extended, Yr1&2 Multiskills Event Deadline, Freestyler Football Masterclass Workshop, Yr5&6 Netball at QE, Netball at Hatherleigh Cancelled, Nursery Summer Term Booking Forms, Yr 2 West Town Farm Deadline, Summer Term Booking & Registration Forms, Owls visit to Rosemoor, Yr1 little wandle, Owls Phonics, Owls Lost Property

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

It has been lovely to see the children after the half term break.

This week we have continued to base our learning around dinosaurs. The children have been able to label different dinosaurs and their features, we made dinosaurs using play dough and used different resources to add spikes and other features. We have also designed and named our own dinosaurs.

The children have had a great time exploring and playing in the garden and it has been lovely to see them all cooperating and negotiating how to take turns and share the resources.

Have a wonderful weekend The Nursery Team



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

Owls have come back to school after the half term break full of energy and enthusiasm to learn which has been great to see.

In drawing club this week we have looked at the book 'Mr Wolf's pancakes' to link with our theme of Shrove Tuesday. The children have drawn characters and maps of the village Mr Wolf lives in and have enjoyed learning the new words: **scribe, compose, assist, lend, stack and drifted.**

On Tuesday they measured, mixed, flipped and ate pancakes thanks to the expert skills of Mrs Brook! We talked about our favourite toppings and made a bar graph as part the children's maths work to show favourite toppings. I'm sure no one will be surprised to learn that chocolate spread was one of the most popular!

They have also listened to the story Mama Panya's Pancakes and talked about the differences between pancake making and life in The UK and in a small village in Kenya as shown in the book.

On Thursday, the children were treated to a visit from Winkleigh Morris Dancers. They all joined in so well and had a great time dancing along with the music and learning the songs.

Please can we ask that parents check PE hoodies, jumpers and cardigans for names again and also ensure that all long hair is tied up on our PE days.

We have two blue PE hoodies, one green cardigan and one green jumper in class with no names on.



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Year 1— Mrs Keast & Mrs Betts

We are so engrossed in our new English text '*I Love Bugs*' by *Emma Dodd*! We have been using Makaton actions to help retell the story and have been really creative when thinking of words to use to describe various minibeasts. We have then created a shared text entitled '*I Love Dogs*' – using an information page about dog breeds to help us. We will be writing our independent text next week about pets.

In Maths we are now working with numbers to 50 and this has been a little more challenging. We have had discussions about how to correctly record the numbers, ensuring that the digits are formed correctly and in the right positions. We have been counting forward and back, using different starting numbers. We have found it harder to count backwards!

In RE this week we began thinking about The Easter Story and what we already know about it. We had a wider discussion about Easter and the things that we enjoy at that time of the year.

In History we have begun our sequence of learning about The Great Fire of London and we are looking forward to finding out how it began.

We thoroughly enjoyed our Morris Dancing workshop on Thursday afternoon.

Next week we look forward to our Multiskills trip on Tuesday to QE in Crediton and our football freestyle session with Jamie Knight on Thursday. A busy week!



Year 2—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Betts

It has been fantastic to welcome the children back for the new term.

We have started our new teaching sequence in English and have been reading the book '*Traction Man*'. The children have been recording their likes and dislikes about the text and using descriptive words to describe the villains and victims in the book.

In Maths we have been multiplying by 10 and dividing by 10. The children have been creating their own word problems for different calculations before sharing them with the class.

In Science we have started to look at our new topic plants and the children have been investigating and having a discussion of what a plant needs to survive. We then split into groups to create our own experiment to see how seeds grow.

In DT the children experimented joining wheels to a tube using different techniques and then evaluating which one they preferred and why as well as which one was the most efficient method.

Yesterday afternoon we all did some Morris dancing in the hall, Thank you to Winkleigh Morris Dancer's.

Have a great weekend Year 2



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Year 3—Mr Slocombe

Year 3 have been busy starting lots of sequences across the curriculum this week.

In science, we have begun learning about animals including humans and will be focusing on skeletons, muscles and diet over the coming weeks. We enjoyed our trip to Kents Cavern on Tuesday and this has tied in with our history learning about the Stone Age. We considered our understanding of chronology and where the stone, bronze and iron ages fit in.

In English, we are focusing on learning about the Great Fire of London, revising and linking our knowledge from Year 1. We will be writing chronological reports at the end of the sequence and we have considered key vocabulary and the structure of the text this week.

Maths has seen us continue our learning about fractions, thinking about ordering non-unit fractions and fractions in relation to scales.

We all enjoyed our trip to Kents Cavern on Tuesday. We all learnt lots about how Stone Age people lived and explored the pre historic caves. This was followed by exploring the woodland trail and handling artefacts.

Have a lovely weekend!



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Year 4—Miss McLean

In English this week we have been getting to know our new focus text '*An anthology of intriguing animals*' by looking at the layout of the pages and the structure of the book. We have discussed the meaning of the word intriguing and related this to the cover of the book.

In maths, we have continued with our learning on fractions by converting mixed numbers to improper fractions. **Can you explain the difference between a mixed number and an improper fraction?** Next week we will continue this learning by looking at equivalent fraction families.

We have started a new sequence in science on sound by looking at some instruments and discussing how they make a sound that we can hear. We learnt that all sounds are created by a vibration which we then related back to the instruments that we had looked at.

We have also started new sequences in the foundation subjects including 20th century entertainment in history, rights and respect in PSHE and hockey in PE.

Have a fantastic weekend!



Year 5—Mr Walter

Year 5 have enjoyed their return to school this week. In English, we have been finishing our short stories, building up tension and leaving a cliff-hanger to leave the readers asking further questions.

In maths, we have started our next sequence of decimals and percentages. This week, we have revisited the vocabulary we used in fractions and added to it. While exploring the meanings of tenths and hundredths with decimals and fractions. Some of the children enjoyed taking part in bike ability this week, learning how to move with the bike and keep safe on the roads.

Elsewhere, we have introduced our learning sequences of The Vikings, Life Cycles and Kites in DT. We have started to discuss the upcoming World Book Day on the 7th March, thinking about what we could dress as and why.



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Year 6—Mr Davis

I hope you have all had a lovely half term break.

In English this week, Year 6 have been learning about the techniques that JK Rowling uses to make her writing cohesive, so that it flows nicely between chapters, plot points and paragraphs. They have practised these skills in their own creative writing by rewriting some missing scenes from the first Harry Potter book.

In maths, the class have been continuing their sequence on percentages and their equivalent decimals and fractions. They have also been using known facts to find percentages of amounts. This is a tricky concept and the whole class have worked really hard!

In Science, Year 6's news sequence involves evolution and inheritance in organisms. In the first lesson, they considered how plants have adapted to survive (and thrive) in different environments. The children then had to use this information to 'design' a plant that has successfully adapted to survive on the forest floor of the Amazon Rainforest.

In PE, the two new sequences for this half term are racket sports and dance. In the first tennis lesson, Year 6 had to demonstrate their levels of control and in dance they were tasked with demonstrating that they could recognise a musical beat and move their bodies accordingly.

Finally, in RE, Year 6 have started learning about Hinduism through the Triumvirate, and in History they have been learning about the start of the Shang Dynasty in Ancient China.



MOTHER'S DAY EVENT

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH 2024



Mother's Day Cream Tea

Inviting Mums, Grans, significant females to join their children for a special cream tea for Mother's Day

Join us in the school hall on Friday 8th March, from 2.15pm



£4.50 per cream tea, which includes a freshly home made scone with jam and clotted cream, served with your choice of tea or coffee, plus, a biscuit for your child/children

Please pre-order your cream tea on the Gateway by Wednesday 28th February

Please note, places are limited. Cream teas are pre-order only. We will be unable to provide a cream tea on the day unless it's been pre-ordered.

STAY & PLAY



Friday 8th March, 9.15-11.00am
Join us for Mother's Day crafts and refreshments
£3 per family, booking essential, please contact
admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk
All welcome



**FRIENDS OF
WINKLEIGH
SCHOOL**

COULD YOU BE OUR TREASURER?

We are looking for someone to fill the role of treasurer for Friends of Winkleigh School. We need someone who is confident with numbers to help us look after the funds that we raise.

If you would like to volunteer for this role or to be on the committee, please email f.o.w.s@outlook.com

You do not have to be at every meeting or event to be part of the committee.

The money we raise helps to subsidise trips and enrichment activities for all the children at Winkleigh Primary School.

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FOWS MOTHER'S DAY PRESENT SHOP

FOWS will be holding a shop in school on **Friday 8th March** for children to buy their own Mother's Day gifts.

There will be a selection of gifts on offer, all of which will cost £3.

If your child would like to buy a gift, please send the money into school on the day.

The teachers will be taking the children to the 'FOWS shop' during the day to choose their gifts.

(All proceeds will go to FOWS in supporting the pupils with new resources, trips and activities).

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

AUTUMN/WINTER MENU

FROM 30TH OCTOBER 2023



Week One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Focaccia Margherita	Chicken Katsu Curry & Rice	Roast Gammon Steak & Pineapple	Meatballs in a Ragu sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Veggie Bean Wrap	Cheese & Potato Pie	Vegetarian Plait	Veggie Balls in a Ragu Sauce	Veggie Nuggets
Sides	Herby Diced Potato Coleslaw or Sweetcorn	Peas Baked Beans	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Spaghetti Green beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Pancakes with Banana & Honey	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Oat and Sultana Cookie	Apple Crumble & Custard	Pip Organic Lollies
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				
Week starting:	30/10/23; 20/11/23; 11/12/23; 08/01/24; 29/01/24; 26/02/24; 18/03/24				

Week Two

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Butchers Sausages & Gravy	Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing	Beef Lasagne	Filet of Fish
Option 2 (v)	Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Sausages & Gravy	Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed with Quorn Pieces	Vegetarian Lasagne	Cheese Omelet
Sides	Broccoli & Garlic Bread	Creamed Potatoes & Carrots	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Coleslaw or Green Beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Crispy Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Peach Sponge & Custard	Arctic roll	Shortbread Biscuit & Fresh Fruit salad	Pip Organic Lollies
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				
Week starting:	06/11/23; 27/11/23; 18/12/2023; 15/01/24; 05/02/24; 04/03/24; 25/03/24				

Week Three

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pocket	Fish Pie	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	Beef Bolognese	Jumbo Fish Finger
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Fajita	Cheese Wheels & Wholemeal Pasta	Quorn and Leek Pastry Puff	Mediterranean Vegetable Bolognese	Veggie Fingers
Sides	Potato Wedges Sweetcorn or Winter Coleslaw	Peas Baked Beans	Roast Potato Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Penne Pasta Green beans & Crusty bread	Chips or Wholemeal Pasta Peas or Baked Beans
And for pudding	Strawberry Mousse	Sticky Toffee Cake & Sauce	Fruit Jelly	Chocolate Crunch & Chocolate Sauce	Pip Organic Lollies
Jacket Potato	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				
Week starting:	13/11/23; 04/12/23; 01/01/24; 22/01/24; 19/02/24; 11/03/24				

WRAPAROUND CARE

FOR 2 TO 11 YEAR OLDS



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.

7.45-9.00 JOIN
MONDAY-FRIDAY US!

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EARLY BIRDS BREAKFAST CLUB!

Book on the Gateway, via Clubs section
Session with breakfast £5.00
Session without breakfast £4.00
Tax-Free Childcare Vouchers Accepted

Winkleigh Primary School, Farmer Franks Lane, EX19 8HW



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. Available for Nursey and School children aged 2yrs-11yrs.

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.

Snack is provided every day (except Thursdays when we eat what we cook!) and children are encouraged to make their own snack.

CONSTRUCTION CLUB MONDAYS—Let your imagination reach new heights! What will you build with Lego, K-nex, marble runs and more.

FUN & GAMES TUESDAYS and **FRIDAYS**—we start with outdoor play, then move inside for All Sorts' Family Tea (children can make their own sandwiches) followed by board games, circle games, cards and more.

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...

4th Jan—National Spaghetti Day...Spaghetti Bolognese on the menu

18th Jan—it's Pastry week—let's make pain au chocolat

25th Jan—Burns Night—Cranachan (traditional Scottish dessert)

1st Feb—Pancakes to celebrate Pancake Day

8th Feb—Valentine's Day biscuits

22nd March—celebrating Chinese New Year

**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.



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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>.



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