## Weekly newsletter



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Executive Headteacher: Mrs V Fenemore Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

Despite the very wet weather this week, the children still managed to get outside and enjoy some fresh air! I know Mrs Blacker is keeping her fingers crossed for some sunshine next Friday for our first forest school of the new academic year! It's been a great first week back, and we're so proud of how everyone has settled in. The whole school had such a positive buzz about it this week

Our Baby Room is really taking shape, and we're looking forward to welcoming little ones very soon. Please help us spread the word to any families who may be interested!

A big welcome to Tommy, who has joined us in Reception. We love the way you've settled in so quickly – and I know William is absolutely delighted that you've joined our school family!

We had a lovely assembly yesterday, where the children shared what they've enjoyed most about coming back to school. Unsurprisingly, most said they were happy to see their friends again! Staff said it was the children's smiles they had missed!

Class 2 have really stepped up as role models this term – or the 'Mighty Five' as I believe they are now proudly known!

Here's to a fantastic term ahead!

Mrs V Fenemore

# Diary dates Upcoming week

	Week beginning: 15.09.25
Weekly deadlines	<ul> <li>Lunch deadline – midnight the day before</li> <li>All sorts – 8.30am the same day</li> <li>Early birds – 3pm the day before</li> <li>Bus changes – 2.30pm to email each day, phone after this time.</li> <li>Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.</li> <li>Email admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk to make changes.</li> </ul>
Monday	Subject leader on site
Tuesday	<ul> <li>Mrs Fenemore / Mr Slocombe on site</li> <li>Class 1 &amp; Class 2 PE kit</li> </ul>
Wednesday	<ul> <li>Whole school trip – Northam Burrows</li> <li>Mrs Rowcliffe on site</li> </ul>
Thursday	<ul> <li>Mrs Stapley on site</li> <li>Class 1 &amp; Class 2 PE kit</li> </ul>
Friday	Forest school

## Diary dates This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change.

	Upcoming events
Wb 22.09.25	25.09.25 Class 1 Cake sale 26.09.25 Forest School
Wb 29.09.25	02.10.25 Family breakfast 02.10.25 Pre-school Autumn Crafts Stay and Play 03.10.25 Forest school
Wb 06.10.25	06.10.25 Tempest individual and sibling photos 07.10.25 Toddlers 10.10.25 Forest school
Wb 13.10.25	14.10.25 Open morning for prospective Reception 2026 parents  17.10.25 Just One Tree Day – Wear Green
Wb 20.10.25	21.10.25 Harvest church service – St James' Church 21.10.25 Parent's evening 23.10.25 Class 2 Cake sale

### Class news



#### Pre-school – Mrs Stapley Dear Families.



Welcome back to a brand-new Preschool year!

We hope you all had a wonderful summer break and are as excited as we are for the year ahead.

This week has been all about settling in and helping the children feel comfortable and confident in their Preschool environment. The children have been exploring the classroom, meeting their friends, and beginning to get used to our daily routines.

We are so proud of how well they are already adjusting after the holidays. A very warm welcome to Mary and Romalie and their families who are joining us this term – we're so pleased to have you as part of our Preschool community. It's been lovely getting to know you both and we look forward to sharing this exciting journey together.

Please send in any family photos to share with our friends and display in the classroom.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Stapley, Tammie, Mrs Slade and Mrs Gibson











### Class news

#### Class 1 – Mrs Betts

It's been so lovely to welcome all the children into Class One for the new school year. Children in KS1 have already settled back into their daily routines, and our new reception children are very quickly adapting to their new environment and expectations.

KS1 have been learning about the inspirational person 'Lewis Hamilton' and how he overcame many challenges on his way to being a champion. 'I wonder if you can remember some of his challenges?'

Reception have begun their phonics sessions this week, and were trying hard IN BOTH producing and listening for initial sounds 's, a, t, p'. They have also been recognising and practising writing their names in pre-cursive script.

In maths, KS1 are learning about place value within 20, while reception have been learning about same and different using the story 'Simon Sock' by Sue Hendra.

We have an airport in class one and the children have been busy flying planes, packing their suitcases, going on holiday and queueing for passport control. It's been fantastic to see the children building new friendships and developing existing relationships.

We had a great PSHE day on Monday we read the 'Colour Monster goes to school' and learnt about the different feelings that everybody feels. Reception were learning about what makes them the same and different from their friends. They examined their faces in the mirrors, and then created their faces using natural materials. KS1 used their learning of Lewis Hamilton who knew what he wanted to do when he was only six years old, and thought carefully about what they would like to achieve.



Have a fantastic weekend. Mrs Betts, Mrs Blacker and Mrs Slade





### Class news

#### Class 2 - Mrs Miali

It has been a fantastic first full week back in Class 2 and the children have been working hard. They have immersed themselves in learning about Greta Thunberg, our inspirational person for English. They explored different research methods and organised their finding to put together a biography about the young climate activist.

The class have started strong in maths, learning about place value. They have enjoyed using the resources to support their understanding and visually partition numbers up to 10,000.

We all really enjoyed our music lesson and are looking forward to creating out own theme tune using the instruments. The class linked aspects of music to our science topic, sound, matching key vocabulary and thinking about how the sound of the music travels to our ear.

They are also excited about the art topic textiles and have already demonstrated superb embroidery skills. It will be a good experience using lots of different materials on our school trip to Northam Burrows on the 17th September.

All the children's login details are at the front of their reading records if they want to practice their timetables or handwriting over the weekend. Spellings have been emailed out and please record any reading they do at home.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Miali







## Join our team!

#### **Nursery Teaching Assistant**

31.25 hours per week Monday – Friday term time only (38 weeks per year)

£12.85 - £13.05

Exciting opportunity to join Winkleigh Primary School Nursery Team asap as we have extended our Nursery provision to include children from 9 months of age.

We are passionate about our provision and we are looking to appoint an enthusiastic, flexible and inspirational Nursery team member. You will work effectively as part of our excellent team and build positive relationships with all members of our community. We are looking for applicants who are dedicated to making a difference to children's lives and to ensure every child has the opportunities they deserve.

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