



Weekly newsletter

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Friday 21st November 2025



Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to see the whole-school over at Winkleigh for the pantomime Snow White by M&M Productions. The children absolutely loved it—highly engaging and full of fun! They had a lovely day in classes too, mixing with their peers of their own age and strengthening links across the federation.

Earlier in the week, we enjoyed welcoming over Winkleigh for a gymnastics morning. They learnt lots of new skills and thoroughly enjoyed the session. It was wonderful to see the two schools working together so positively. Thank you to Mrs Miali for organising the morning and for Class 2 for their help and organisation on the day. Once again, a fantastic opportunity to share time with peers from across the federation.

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evenings this week. We hope you found the meetings valuable, end-of-term reports will be sent out at the end of the term.

We have received enquiries following our postcard drop and have been delighted to show new families around this week.

We will be hosting an open morning in January (poster attached) on Saturday 10th for any interested families, so please share far and wide!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs V Fenemore

Diary dates

Upcoming week

Week beginning: 24.11.25

Weekly deadlines

- Lunch deadline – midnight the day before
- Email admin regarding wrap-around care
- Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.

Email admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk to make changes.

Monday

- Class 1 & 2 PE Kit
- Mr Slocombe on site
- Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm

Tuesday

- Mrs Fenemore / Mr Slocombe on site

Wednesday

- Mrs Rowcliffe on site

Thursday

- Class 1 & 2 PE kit
- Mrs Stapley on site

Friday

- Mr Slocombe on site
- Family breakfast booking deadline

Diary dates

This half term

These dates are provisional and subject to change.

Upcoming events

Wb
01.12.25

01.12.25 Class 2 Chocolate workshop **at Winkleigh** with Year 4

02.12.25 Toddlers

04.12.25 Christmas family breakfast and open morning

04.12.25 Pre-school Christmas crafts stay and play

05.12.25 Santa run

Separate Christmas flier with December events.

*Please note, in a change from the diary dates for the year sent out previously, the **Colour Run** provisional date has been changed to **Friday 10th July**.*

Upcoming events – Spring Term 2026

Wb 05.01.26

05.01.26 Welcome Back to School

10.01.26 10-11.30am Open morning

Wb 12.01.26

16.01.26 Grandparent's Lunch

Wb 19.01.26

22.01.26 Whole Federation science day (coach travel)

Wb 26.01.26

Wb
02.02.26

06.06.26 Whole Federation Art day with EmmyLou (Drop off & Collect at Winkleigh)

06.02.26 Staff Cake Sale

Wb
09.02.26

10.02.26 Online safety day

12.02.26 Family breakfast & Pre-school stay and play

13.02.26 Art Exhibiton in St James' Church begins



Christmas

at Kings Nympton Primary School

Details will follow



Thursday 4th December

Christmas family
breakfast & Christmas
classrooms open morning
8.45am



Gateway
payment

Thursday 4th December

Pre-school Christmas stay
and play
9am



Cash
payment

Friday 5th December

Santa Run
£2 to enter



Gateway
payment

Tuesday 9th December

Christmas Dinner &
Christmas Jumpers



Gateway
payment

Thursday 11th December

Carol Singing outside The
Grove Inn



Monday 15th December – Thursday 18th December

Christmas jumpers every
day



Monday 15th December

Christmas games & raffle



Payment
details overleaf

Tuesday 16th December

Christmas Performance
2pm – Village Hall
Refreshments
Snowmen at Sunset



Wednesday 17th December

Carol Service – 9.30am –
St James Church

All welcome



Thursday 18th December

Class Christmas Parties

Each child to bring a small
plate of food to share



From **1st December** – Christmas Postbox





Christmas

at Kings Nympton Primary School

FOKNs Christmas Raffle & Grand Prize Draw

We've had a fantastic response to our letters and have already received an amazing selection of prizes; from tickets for fun days out to vouchers!

Entry Details

£2 per entry, you can buy as many entries as you like.

Prizes will be numbered. We will draw a name entry out of the hat, then draw a prize number, and match the winner to a numbered prize.

We will hold the prize draw on Saturday the 20th. Winners will be contacted by email after the draw and invited to collect their prize from the church warden or the pub.

Cash payment required please.

Christmas Games at Winkleigh

Working collaboratively in D&T lessons this term, Year 5 and 6 will devise, create, set up and run games for all the children in the federation to enjoy.

This will be a "pay to play" fundraising and enterprise event for Years 5 and 6. Children can bring up to (but no more than) £3.50 in to school with them on this day to take part.

Children will need to be dropped and collected from Winkleigh on this date.

All monies raised go back towards whole federation fundraising.

Christmas Dinner

Turkey or Vegetarian Roast

Served with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Stuffing, Pig in Blanket, Gravy

Ice Cream and Biscuit

KS1: Free (50p donation gratefully received if possible) / KS2: £3

Open Morning

For prospective families!



Come and see our amazing environment and meet the senior leadership team!
Learn more about our approach, curriculum and enrichment.

**Places available for
9 months – 11 years**

We can't wait to meet you!

Saturday 10th January 2026

10-11.30am

If you cannot make this date, we are very happy to offer bespoke tours at any time, please contact admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk to book!

Trips & Activities

Classes 1 & 2 – Pantomime – 17.11.25



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Class 1 & 2 – Gymnastics – 18.11.25



Class news

Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear Families,

This week, our Preschool children have been exploring the wonderful world of Rumble in the Jungle! We have been diving into the colourful rainforest, meeting exciting animals, and learning through play, stories, and songs.

The children have loved listening to the rhythmic and rhyming verses from the book. We've talked about different jungle animals including the sounds they make, how they move and their colours and patterns. This has supported early literacy skills, listening, and attention.

Thank you for your continued support. The children have been full of curiosity and enthusiasm and we've been having a wild time on our jungle adventure!
Below is a song we have been singing.

Have a wonderful weekend,

The Preschool Team

Walking in the Jungle(If You're Happy and You Know It)

If you're walking in the jungle, stamp your feet (stomp, stomp),

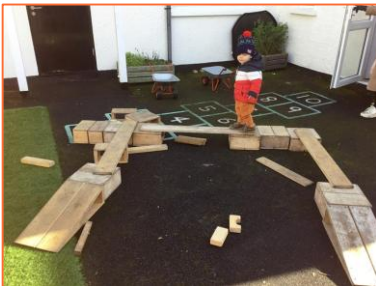
If you're walking in the jungle, stamp your feet (stomp, stomp),

There's a lion over there,

And a monkey in the air,

If you're walking in the jungle,

Stamp your feet (stomp, stomp)!



Class news

Class 1 – Mrs Betts

An exciting start to the week going over to Winkleigh for the pantomime performance. The children had a lovely time playing and learning with their peers. Then on Monday, Winkleigh's Year ones and twos visited Kings Nympton to participate in gymnastics. It was a wonderful event and we really enjoyed hosting Winkleigh.

We have been using number lines in KS1 Maths this week, and using our skills to work out missing numbers as well as estimating where numbers would be. Reception have been learning about the flat shapes triangles and circles. They have been on a shape hunt and they have investigated circles and triangles within 3d shapes. They also made some great shape printing.

Reception have been learning about what makes us the same or different, and being kind. They have also been playing turn taking games to make sure that everyone has fun. KS1 have also been learning about what makes them the same and different to other members of our class, and that it's ok to like different things or look different.

This week in history, we have learnt about the amazing Mary Seacole another significant nurse. The children were starting to compare her to Florence Nightingale noting that although they were similar they were also different.

Have a super weekend and keep warm.

The Class One Team



Class news

Class 2 – Mrs Miali

Thank you for all attending parents evening this week – it was lovely to speak with you all in person.

It's been another busy, but enjoyable week for the class. With festivities already on some of their minds, the pantomime on Monday has them all thinking about Christmas and all the fun we have to look forward to.

This was followed by a full on morning, where we welcomed the Year 1 and 2 pupils from Winkleigh to participate, together with Class 1, in gymnastics at our village hall.

Class 2 children were fantastic ambassadors; supporting and encouraging all the younger pupils. They demonstrated some beautiful gymnastic skill and helped others come up with ideas and feel confident in their performances – Well done Class 2 you are incredible role models.

Inspired by a bit of Creature Comforts, the class have given their animals some character and personality in their interviews for English. They have been finding that balance of providing factual information in an engaging way for the reader.

In maths, we have moved onto 3, 6 and 9 time tables. Again, looking at the relationship between the numbers and any patterns to help recall speed, as well as using partitioning and repeat addition to help with more challenging multiplication sums. The children had fun learning the trick with their fingers to help with their 9 times tables.

Their D&T projects are progressing well and they are looking forward to adding the characters and objects of their scene onto the moving mechanisms over the coming weeks.

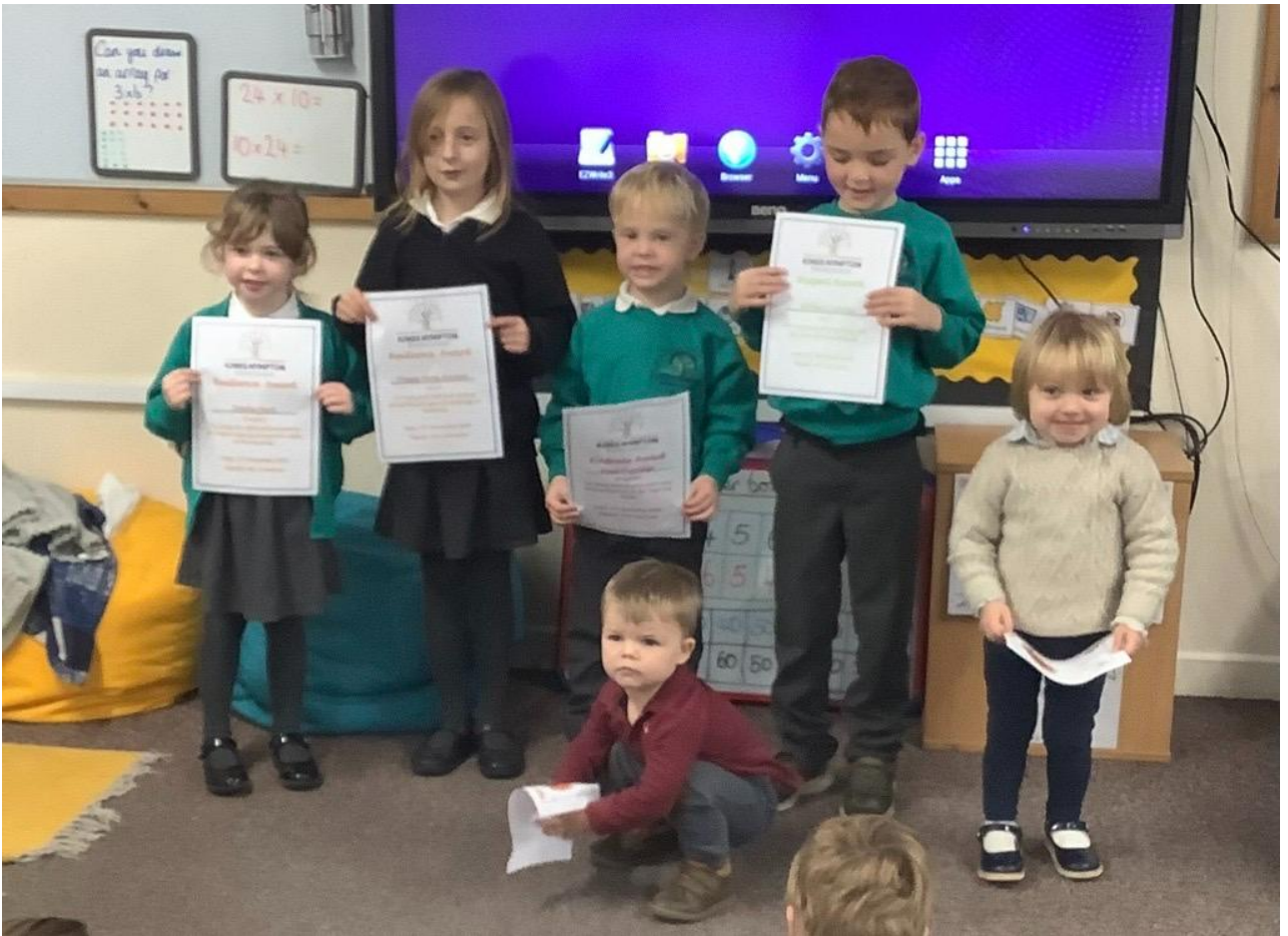
Information about parts, lines and costume ideas for the Christmas play will be coming home next week. Please encourage the children to practice their lines.

Take care over the weekend,

Mrs Miali



Celebration assembly



Gardening club update

Thank you to everyone for accommodating us as we've shifted days recently.

Zoe and I would also like to say a huge congratulations to all the children for achieving their RHS Level 1 Award. We are so proud of their enthusiasm and the brilliant start they've made on their gardening journey. Well done, everyone!

It's been a busy few weeks. The children have been learning about the life cycle of the oak tree, collecting and identifying different leaves, and making two beautiful wooden presses to preserve their favourites.

For Remembrance Day, we created poppy seed bombs using a mix of poppy seeds — the children loved getting hands-on. If you haven't thrown yours into a sunny spot yet, please do; with the right conditions, you should see poppies blooming next summer.

As we head into December, we'll be focusing on Christmas crafts using as many foraged natural materials as we can find, and hopefully making a few tasty treats too.

The school chickens are enjoying their winter break and will return in the spring.

Our next gardening club session will be on Monday 24th November, 3:30–5pm, £3 per child per session. We look forward to seeing the children there.



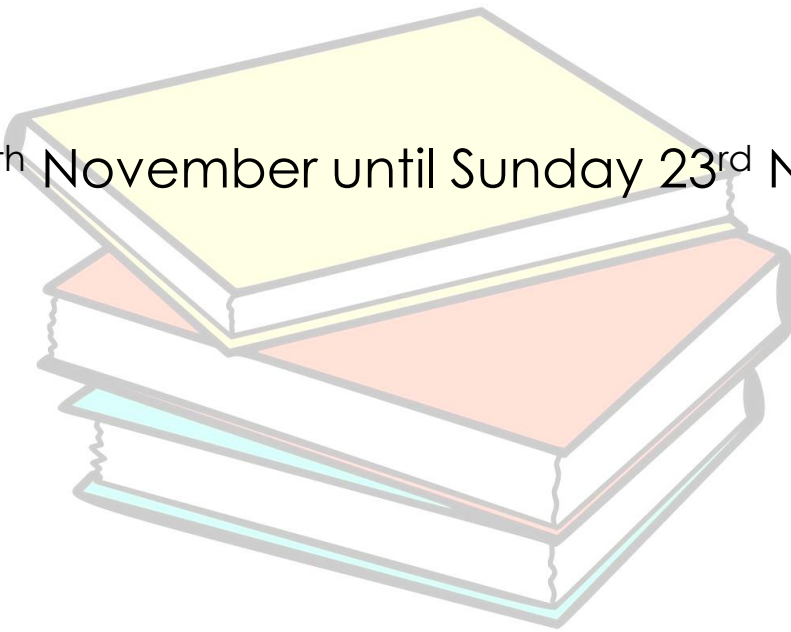
Virtual book fair

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Gobbledy books

Use the code: **woodlandfederation** to earn free delivery.

Friday 14th November until Sunday 23rd November



For each book bought, school receives money to grow our libraries.

Admissions

Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:

devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the **15 January 2026**

If you can't access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by emailing
admissions@devon.gov.uk or
call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



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Team, even if you've already given details
to a school. Applications made directly to
schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

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