



Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the children back after half term, as always they have returned refreshed and ready to learn. We are looking forward to this half term as we have so much happening. Next week Key Stage 2 have their skateboarding workshop, which is always a favourite! Children can also wear red next Friday to raise money for the Royal British Legion—donations on the Gateway please. We have also been given a box of Poppy Appeal merchandise to sell in school. Year 6s will be visiting classes throughout the week, the suggested donation amount is £1 per item; poppies, wristbands, zip tags and snap bands available. Please send cash in with your child if they would like to purchase something.

Thank you for your understanding with our decision to close the school on Thursday, it is never a decision we take lightly and as always we follow guidance from DCC. The safety of children, staff and parents is always paramount. There were over 300 schools across Devon closed, whilst we may have escaped the worst of the weather, there was a significant amount of localised flooding and disruption.

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children will be attending a football tournament at Bow Primary School on Monday, we can't wait to hear how they get on.

Thank you to everyone who baked, and bought, cakes for our Year 3 cake sale, we will let you know how much was raised next week. All funds raised from cake sales go towards future class trips.

Admissions policy for 2025-26: Annual Consultation

Along with all other schools and academies in Devon, we are consulting on an admission policy for 2025-26. The Local Authority is also consulting on its admission arrangements. You are invited to look at the proposals which are based on policies for this year and next year and have your say.

Our proposed policy is on the Policies page on our school website:

<https://www.woodlandfederation.org.uk/page/?title=Policies&pid=140>

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs V Fenemore, Executive Headteacher

Emails sent this week: Year 5 Timetable Change. Bag 2 School Collection Update. Year 1 Little Wandle 30/10/23. Year 3 Spellings 30/10/23. School Meals Outstanding Balance. Nursery Session Booking Form Spring Term 2024. Year 1—Staff Update. Year 2—Staff Update. Utilita Cup—Thursday 16th November. Winter Weather—Bus Route Closure Advice. School Closure—Thursday 2nd November 2023. Skateboarding Workshop—8th and 9th November 2023. Early Years Pupil Premium. Year 6 Spellings 3/11/23. Owls Phonics 3/11/23. Year 5 Spellings 3/11/23.

DIARY DATES

W/C 6TH NOVEMBER 2023



Saturday 4th November	<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 13th November</i>
Monday 6th November	<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 ◆ PE kit today: Year 1 ◆ 9.00am Bag 2 School Collection (FOWS Fundraiser) - see p9 ◆ <i>Deadline—Skateboarding Workshop Consent (KS2)</i> ◆ 1.30pm-3.30pm Football Festival at Bow Primary School—those involved have received a letter ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Science Club
Tuesday 7th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ <i>Deadline—Utilita Cup Payment, Consent, Medical Form—those involved have received an email</i> ◆ 12.00-12.30pm Girls Football Club ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club
Wednesday 8th Nov'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Skateboarding Workshops—Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 ◆ PE kit today: Year 3, Year 4, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Ukulele Club
Thursday 9th Nov'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Skateboarding Workshops—Year 6 ◆ <i>Deadline—Year 1 Toys Through Time Payment and Consent</i> ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 2, Year 4, Year 5 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Multisports Club
Friday 10th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Wear Red for The Royal British Legion—please make a donation via the Gateway ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 3 ◆ 2.00pm-3.00pm Nursery Stay & Play—£1 per family ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Football Club
Saturday 11th Nov'	<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 20th November</i>

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Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

It was lovely to see the children after the half term holiday and hear their holiday news. This week we have based our learning around the text 'Dear Zoo' by Rod Campbell. The children enjoyed drawing and painting their own animal so we could make our own Dear Zoo book! They also made paper plate animal masks and looked at the size of different animals ordering them from the shortest/tallest/smallest to biggest. **Maybe over the weekend ask the children about the book and see if they can remember why each animal was sent back to the zoo!**

Next week we will continue on the animal story theme and base our learning around a firm favourite of ours—'The Tiger Who Came to Tea'.

Have a wonderful and hopefully less soggy weekend!

The Nursery Team



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

Owls have come back full of enthusiasm to learn and we have had a great first week back. Our focus this half term is 'festivals and celebrations' and we started by focusing on 'Halloween!' The children have counted all manner of strange creatures into their potions in maths, have recorded by drawing and writing simple words to create spells, and had great fun using their own wands to make some strange crackling potions on Tuesday! They have enjoyed dressing up in Halloween costumes and thoroughly enjoyed scooping all the seeds out of the pumpkins! In phonics, we are moving on to putting 3 letters together to both read and write CVC words this term. The children are continuing to practise forming their letters correctly as well as writing their own names independently.

In PE this week we took our lesson outside and had great fun dancing and moving to music. Next week we will be focusing on Guy Fawkes and Fireworks celebrations.

We hope everyone is able to enjoy seeing some over the weekend in between the showers!

As part of our RE work this term we are thinking about how the festival of Christmas is special to Christians. We will be focusing on baby Jesus over the next few weeks and we would love it if the children could bring in a photograph of themselves as a baby to share with the class on Wednesday.

Please can we remind parents that their children should come to school in PE kit on Tuesdays and Fridays and ensure that they have trainers or shoes suitable for running around in on these days.



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Year 1— Mrs Keast & Mrs Betts

This week we began a new text in our English, a non-fiction book entitled 'Knights'. We have enjoyed reading the text and learning about these features of an information text: contents page, glossary, index. We have also focused on the individual pages and how the information is presented to us. We know that the pages have a subheading, picture, speech bubble and bold text. **Can you tell someone at home what you know about knights?**

In Maths we have worked on subtraction. We have been using a number line to count backwards and answer simple calculations. The children have had an interesting discussion about how our knowledge of number bonds can help us when subtracting from 10.

We began our Design Technology sequence this week and looked at the features of some pop-up books. We enjoyed looking at how the pages came alive and how it added to the story. Then we had a go at creating our own sliders, thinking about how we could design the page and add a suitable background. **Do you have any pop-up books at home? Can you see how the mechanisms work?**

Next week in English we will be thinking about the jobs our parents/carers do. The children will be writing some simple interview questions on Wednesday to bring home and ask. **If you could please spend 5 minutes answering and noting a simple response that would be appreciated.** We will then use this information to write about jobs at the end of the week. Thank you!



Year 2—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

What a great week we have had! It has been a pleasure teaching the class, they have been working very hard. We have begun a new sequence in English on a book called *The Dragon Machine*. The children have been enthralled by the picture within the book and the accompanying narrative. They have been learning and using vocabulary from within the book and producing quality sentences. Individual reading books and love of reading books went home on Wednesday. Stickers will be rewarded for 5 lots of home reading!

In maths we have been looking at bridging through 10 when adding or subtracting numbers.

In science, the children have begun to produce a fact book about animals and their different habitats. We began with the Polar regions.

In history we have been learning about explorers from the past and present. **If you have time, please talk or show your child pictures of different explorers and where they have explored.** Sir Francis Drake was a well known local explorer—Buckland Abbey is a local National Trust property where the famous explorer lived. If you have membership it would be a great place to visit to support their understanding of explorers from the past.

We are looking forward to giving out parts for the Christmas play next week and we have been learning the songs already! Enjoy the fireworks and stay safe.

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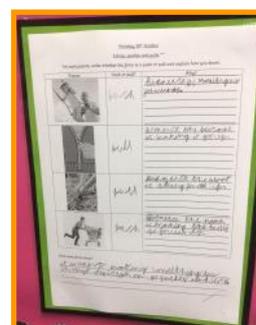
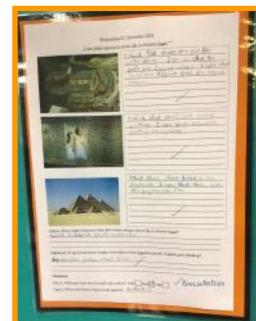
Year 3—Mr Slocombe

It has been lovely to see everyone back today, I hope you all managed to dodge the showers and winds! Year 3 have been working hard this week after half term. We have tackled column subtraction with 2 and 3-digit numbers where we have needed to exchange. We will be consolidating this next week and coming to the end of our addition and subtraction sequence. English has seen us learn the story of Paddington. We have considered each of the characters and created profiles, ranking their qualities, helping us to compare them. We have also been doing lots of work on writing sentences that make sense, have capital letters, end punctuation and a verb. The children are becoming really confident at identifying sentences that are correct! Across the foundation subjects we have been busy beginning our new sequences. This has included forces in science and the Ancient Egyptians in history, where we made inferences about the civilisation based on artefacts and images.

In PE on Wednesday, we began our gymnastics sequence, considering the key words of strength, static and balance.

Thank you very much to everyone who has donated baking for our cake sale!

Please may I remind parents that every child needs to be bringing a coat to school everyday now. Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday!



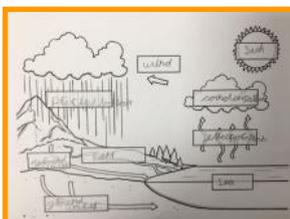
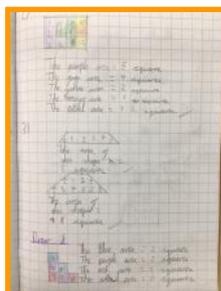
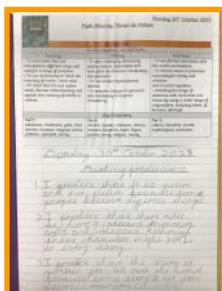
Year 4—Miss McLean

Year Four have had a fantastic first week back this half term and are getting stuck into their new sequences of learning already!

In maths, we have focused on area this week. The children have been finding the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares. They have also made their own shapes with given areas and compared the area of shapes using greater than, less than and equal to. Next week in maths we will be moving on to multiplication and division.

In English this week, we have been getting to know our new book 'Myth Atlas'. The children have learnt some of these myths by creating actions to go with it and performing this to the class. We will be looking in some more detail at the ingredients of myths next week.

We learnt about the water cycle in science and discussed the impact that Global Warming is having on the rates of evaporation. In the remaining subjects, we have started our new sequences. Information about these can be found on the school website in the subject overviews section. Have a fantastic weekend!



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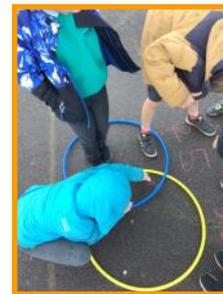
Year 5—Mr Walter

Year 5 have had a great week back engaging with our learning for the new term. In English, we have started the Michael Morpurgo text of *Kensuke's Kingdom*. So far we have engaged with what the story is about and thought carefully about different characters feelings in the learnt scenarios in the text.

In maths, we have been working on identifying factors and common factors. On Wednesday, we went outside to work on some Venn diagrams in groups to build on our knowledge.

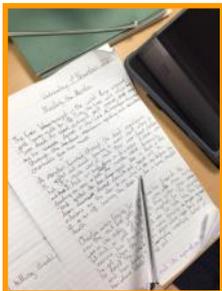


On Monday, we joined with Year 6 to start to brainstorm some ideas for our Christmas games project that enables us to work collaboratively in our DT lessons.



Finally, we have enjoyed starting our sequences of Muslim culture, The Victorians and gymnastics in other parts of the curriculum. **I have reminded all of the class that it is their responsibility to be bringing a coat each day as we will be hoping to remain outside when possible.** Have a lovely weekend!

Year 6—Mr Davis



We have all enjoyed welcoming the children back into the classroom after half term. They were all rested and ready to go! In English, we have started a new sequence on Beowulf. The children have listened to the story and considered their likes and dislikes as well as making connections between this story and all of the other (super) hero stories they have encountered. The children then had a go at writing their own section of the story using a blueprint that we created.

In maths, we have continued our sequence on the four operations by learning three different methods for long division. I have been particularly impressed with the children's resilience and perseverance when tackling this tricky operation.



In ICT, the children have also started a new sequence - 3D Modelling. We have had our first two lessons (one replacing PE due to the horrible weather) using the TinkerCAD software. Year 6 again showed great resilience learning to use a new program and honing their design skills in a number of challenges.

In PE, with Mr Walter, Year 6 are learning about movement and control through gymnastics. This week involved considering the different muscle groups and how different stretches and moves can activate them - it looked very strenuous!

Years 5 and 6 combined in their first Design and Technology lesson of the term. They have been put into groups and assigned a game or activity to design and make for the Christmas Fair at the end of term. It was lovely to see the children collaborating and seeking to improve further on last year's success.



Finally, in Science, the children have started a unit of work on Electricity. They were very impressive in their abilities to recall knowledge from Years 4 and 5, ready to learn more over the next six weeks.

Have a great weekend. Enjoy the fireworks!





BONFIRE & FIREWORKS NIGHT

FRIDAY 3rd NOVEMBER



GATES OPEN 6PM
BONFIRE 6.30PM
FIREWORKS 7.30PM



WINKLEIGH SPORTS CENTRE
BBQ, Bar and Disco.

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

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6th November 2023 at 9am

at Winkleigh Primary School

Please fill a bin bag (or bags!) with your items and leave under the covered area by the school doors, on the morning of the **6th November 2023 at 9am**.

Men's, ladies' and childrens clothing, paired shoes, handbags, hats, scarves, ties, bras, jewellery, socks, belts, soft toys, household linen, household curtains, household towels, household bedding all accepted.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

Thank you!

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JUMPERS HANGING AROUND? ARE THEY
TOO SMALL FOR YOUR LITTLE PEOPLE?★

PLEASE DONATE YOUR PRELOVED,
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INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY 10TH
NOVEMBER.

PICK UP A PRELOVED JUMPER ON OUR
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PRICE READY FOR CHRISTMAS JUMPER

WEEK.

ALL JUMPERS ★£3.

Friday 17th & Friday 24th November 2023
3:15pm
at Winkleigh Primary School

All★proceeds to Friends of Winkleigh School, helping to
subsidise trips and enrichment activities for the children.

WRAPAROUND CARE

BEFORE SCHOOL



EARLY BIRDS BREAKFAST CLUB!

WRAPAROUND CARE

Flexible before school care available during term time. Nutritious breakfast provided with regular continental specials. For all school-aged children from Reception to Year 6.

7.45-9.00 JOIN US!
MONDAY-FRIDAY

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

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AFTER SCHOOL



ALL SORTS AFTER SCHOOL WRAPAROUND CARE



RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

Available during term time

BOOK ON THE
GATEWAY VIA
THE CLUBS
SECTION

EVERY MONDAY TO FRIDAY
BETWEEN 3:30PM - 5:30PM

AUTUMN TERM ACTIVITIES:

- ✓ Fun and board games
- ✓ Traditional outdoor games
- ✓ Seasonal art and craft
- ✓ Cooking, baking, and eating!
- ✓ Quiet time
- ✓ Sport and fitness
- ✓ Snacks included



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FUN & FRIENDS
EVERY DAY

Costs
£5
Per Hour

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Winkleigh Primary School, Farmer Franks Lane, EX19 8JQ

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				

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



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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