



Winkleigh Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see all the children back after the Easter break, as always they have come back eager and ready to learn. We are so proud of our Year 5 children who have just come back from Skern Lodge, they behaved so brilliantly and were a credit to themselves, they all tried the activities and supported each other so well, we definitely have some natural leaders. We are really proud of you. A huge thank you to Mr Walter for organising the trip and to Mrs Manning, Miss Jones and Mrs Blacker for supporting. We are really grateful that our staff give up time away from their own families as they do not have to do this. So thank you, we really appreciate it!

Year 3 had a lovely day at Rosemoor the workshop supported their science on growing and life cycles, as always their behaviour was impeccable throughout the day. Well done year 3.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the bag 2 school scheme. FOWS raised a brilliant amount of £184.

Finally, it is with sadness and excitement that I am informing you that Mr Davis will be leaving us at the end of the summer term. He has secured a deputy headship which is fantastic for his career progression. He will be sorely missed, but we are all really happy for him. Mr Davis started with us as a student and has been with us over 9 years.

We will be having a change around with the teachers and classes for September and will let you know after half term who is teaching in what year.

Just a reminder we have a few deadlines coming up soon.

Please do make sure you respond by the dates given.

Yr 4 Escot Residential – 20/4/24

Yr 3 Camping Residential – 30/4/24

Family Breakfast – extended until 22/4/24

London penultimate payment – 30/4/24

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES

W/C 22ND APRIL 2024



Saturday 20th April	<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 29th April</i>
Monday 22nd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 9am - DEADLINE overdue London Payment ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Sewing & Crochet Club with Mrs Elworthy ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Choir Club with Miss McLean/Mr Davis ◆ DEADLINE - Booking Family Breakfast
Tuesday 23rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Gardening Club with Mr Walter ◆ 3.30pm-4:30pm Play and Explore Club with Mrs Stapley
Wednesday 24th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 2 Multisports with Primary Sports
Thursday 25th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Year 2, Year 4 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Construction Club with Mrs Bourner & Mrs Keast ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Rounders Club with Mr Slocombe ◆ DEADLINE - Yr 3 & 4 Handball at QE Consent
Friday 26th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 3 ◆ 1.30pm Yr5/6 Netball Winkleigh v Hatherleigh - At Winkleigh, FOWS refreshments, Parents welcome. ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Key Stage 1 Multisports with Primary Sports
Saturday 27th April	<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 6th May</i>

Emails sent this week: Family Breakfast & Open Morning, Payment Reminder - Escot, Yr2 Little Wandle, Yr4 Spellings - Summer Term, Yr 1 Little Wandle, Yr 3 & 4 Handball at QE, Yr 3 & 4 School games, Enrichment Clubs Spaces, Drop off for Early Bird Club, Missing Books in Owls, Y5 visit to Exeter Mosqu & Exeter Football Club, Nursery, Owls, yr1, yr2, yr3, yr4, yr5, and yr6 Termly Newsletter, Yr 6 Spellings

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Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

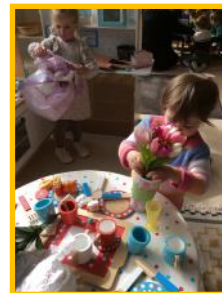
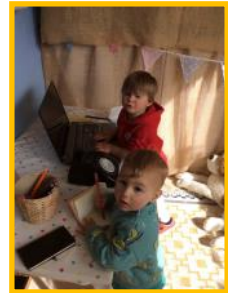
It has been so lovely to see the children after the holidays and to welcome some new families. The children have settled beautifully and we are always so impressed with how kind and friendly our nursery children are when we welcome new children.

This week we have embraced the sunnier weather by exploring outside at any opportunity.

We have also enjoyed lots of singing and sharing stories together especially the text *'The lion on the bus'*.

Have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine!

The Nursery Team



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

In Owls Class this week the children have thoroughly enjoyed listening to the story of 'The Naughty Bus' by Jan and Jerry Oke. The story has taken us all on some amazing adventures using a variety of different methods of transport! There are definitely some budding authors amongst the class this year! The new words linked to this story have been: reflected, passengers, intrigued, prevent, powerful and lonely. The children have enjoyed making their own junk box vehicles this week which will be completed over the course of the half term.

In maths we have used the theme of buses to help us learn about odd and even numbers, looking at shapes and patterns and counting how many passengers are on the top deck and how many are on the bottom deck. **I wonder if you can find some odd and even numbers around the house this weekend Owls?**

We would like to introduce 'show and tell' to our timetable this term and would love it if the children could bring in a copy of their favourite story next Wednesday to share with the class to tie in with our R.E topic. We will keep these in a box in the classroom and will enjoy reading a different book each day. Please ensure your child's name is clearly written inside the book.

Could we please remind everyone to check that all jumpers are clearly named again and also that their child has a bag of spare clothes to keep on their peg.

We are really hoping the sun makes an appearance soon which will mean we can get the water trays out in the garden. This often causes wet clothes due to over excited water play and a spare set of dry clothes is always helpful to have!



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Year 1— Mrs Keast & Mr Saltearn

This week we began our new sequence in English based on the book '*Wanted: The Perfect Pet*' by Fiona Robertson. We have enjoyed thinking carefully about Henry, the main character and what kind of pets we would most like to own.

In Maths we have started our sequence on multiplication and division. We had fun with some pairs of socks, counting in twos to work out how many we had. We also made up some good word problems, using bicycles, chicken legs and fingers/gloves! These all helped us to apply our knowledge of counting in twos and fives. **Can you count some shoes or socks at home, counting in twos? Or some 5p and 10p coins?**

In RE this week we thought about objects that are special to us. Things that are kept in our homes and are unique to our family. We had a lovely discussion about family photos are why we treasure some objects as a family.

Computing this half term is all about robots and programming. We had great fun with the beebots, remembering to input the instructions with care. There is a free Beebot website game which can be accessed online <https://beebot.terrapinlogo.com/?community-mat>



Year 2—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mr Saltearn

It has been fantastic to welcome the children back for the summer term this week.

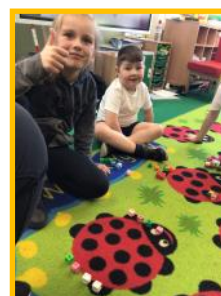
In English, we have started our new book Orion and the dark and have been thinking of ideas to solve his problem of being afraid of the dark and writing our likes and dislikes about the book.

In Maths, we have been learning about fractions and recognising and finding a half. We have learnt about the numerator and denominator of a fraction.

This week we have been busy starting our new sequences and in Science, we have started to learn about materials and have been busy learning our new vocabulary and finding examples around the room of objects that are transparent and opaque.

In PE, we have started our new sequence of athletics and have been practicing our jumping, taking off and landing safely.

Have a great weekend Year 2.



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Year 3—Mr Slocombe

Year 3 have enjoyed a brilliant first week back in school.

In English, we have been working on creating our own adventure stories to showcase all the things that we have learnt so far. The children have worked hard to include evidence of their prior learning such as direct speech, expanded noun phrases and conjunctions.

Maths has seen us begin our new sequence around mass and capacity. The children have been reading scales in grams and kilograms, using the intervals to work out how much the scale increases by. In science, we have started our new topic of plants. We have set up an investigation to find out what happens when we provide plants with different growing conditions, mapping out their progress on bar graphs.

Meanwhile, in geography, we are learning about Poland. We have used maps to locate Europe and Poland.

Yesterday we had a fantastic school trip to RHS Rosemoor, all the children were very well behaved and all enjoyed the day.

We also had a fantastic time finishing off our school games on Wednesday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Year 4—Miss McLean

Year Four have started the term with a fantastic, inquisitive attitude towards their new sequences of learning. In particular, they have enjoyed getting to know our new text in English, *Arthur and the Golden Rope* by Joe Todd Stanton. We made some predictions and inferences about the story using a map from the book and also made links to other texts that have connections with the book. **What can you remember about the story?**

In maths, we are continuing our learning on decimals. We have practiced flexibly partitioning decimals using bead strings, place value counters and part-whole models. Next week, we will look at ordering and comparing decimals.

In science, we started our 'Living things and their habitats' sequence by grouping a selection of animals in different ways using the key vocabulary mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians and crustaceans.

In geography, we recapped our prior learning from years 2 and 3 by recalling the continents of the world and placing them on a map. We will be learning about the continent of North America this term, **can you remember how many countries make up the continent of North America?**

Finally, we have started our new sequences in all of the other foundation subjects, details about these will be uploaded on the school website soon. Have a lovely weekend!



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Year 3 and 4 School Games—Wednesday 17th April



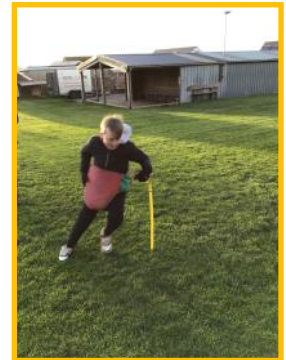
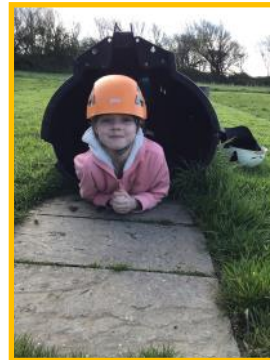
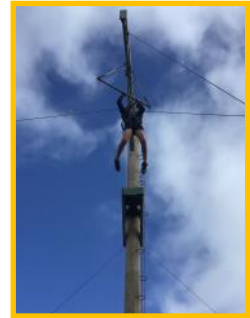
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Year 5—Mr Walter

Year 5 had a fantastic few days at Skern! Everyone challenged themselves to new activities and developed the skills that the instructors taught us. Well done to everyone for all of their hard work throughout. Here are a selection of the photos to share our experience.



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Year 6—Mr Davis

It has been great to welcome the children back into class for the Summer term.

In English this week, Year 6 have finished their sequence of work on Harry Potter by writing an 'untold' narrative from the Wizarding World. We have also revised the features of punctuating dialogue and how to use colons and semi-colons to join clauses. The stories that the class have produced are fantastic, showing a real understanding of suspense, tension and characterisation.

In Maths, the class have started their next teaching sequence on statistics. This week we have revised line graphs, dual bar graphs and pie charts. The children have been asking and answering questions about the charts and the data sets as well.

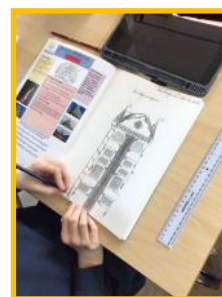
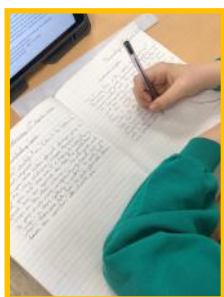
In Science, Year 6 started their final teaching sequence about living things. After their elicitation, the children worked in their table groups to label as many part of a human body that they could.

Athletics is the focus of PE this term and Year 6 started their learning by thinking about how Usain Bolt's running technique can be copied. The class timed themselves completing a set distance in a variety of ways before putting all of the component parts back together and seeing an improvement in their times!

In ICT, the children have started their sequence on Video Editing which will come in especially useful when they have to create video accounts of the amazing residentials we have coming up.

In Art, the class have been learning about Architecture by designing their own skyscraper and performing a study of a famous building. They produced a sketch of their building before researching information about its construction, architect and the cost of building it.

Finally, in Geography, the children have been learning about lines of latitude and longitude and how these are used to locate places on the globe. Have a great weekend!



ATTENDANCE

What does the law say about attendance?

By law, all children of compulsory school age (between 5 and 16 yrs) must get a suitable, full-time education. As a parent **you are responsible** for making sure this happens.

Parents and carers commit an offence if a child does not attend school regularly and the absence is not agreed by the school.

Will an absence be authorised by the school?

Schools can only agree absences for a limited range of exceptional circumstances, these are typically absences that are completely unavoidable. Absences that **will not be agreed** might include:

- Arrival after registers have closed.
- Absences that are not properly explained.
- Day trips and holidays in term time.
- Leaving the school without school authorisation during the day.

Repeated unauthorised absences may be referred to Devon County Council for Parent Responsibility measures to improve attendance.

Who can help you?

Do not be afraid to ask for help if a problem arises.

Parents and carers should reach out to the school to explore how they can support and/or contact other services available to help.



Devon Safeguarding Children Partnership

www.devonscp.org.uk/

Public Health Nursing Hubs

Tel: 03332341910

www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/health/public-health-nursing/

Early Help

Northern Devon: Earlyhelpnorthsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Southern Devon: Earlyhelpsouthsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Mid & East Devon: Earlyhelpmidwestsecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

Exeter: Earlyhelpexetersecure-mailbox@devon.gov.uk



Devon Independent Advisory Service

[DIAS devonias@devon.gov.uk](mailto:DIAS.devonias@devon.gov.uk)

School attendance matters

Attendance advice and guidance for parents and carers

For further information about the Attendance Improvement Team and Devon Childrens Services please see our website:
www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/

Why is good school attendance important?

Regular and punctual school attendance is essential to supporting a child or young person to flourish, fulfil their potential and enables them to:

- learn
- make and manage friendships
- develop new skills
- have fun
- experience new things in the world around them
- develop awareness and respect of other cultures, religion, ethnicity, and gender differences
- build confidence and self-esteem
- achieve and thrive with a sense of belonging to their school community
- prioritise their well-being and happiness
- be given the best start in life, enabling the best possible choices in their future

Missing school... missing out!

Don't let your child be the one to miss out!

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent number of missed:		
	Days	Weeks	Average lessons
95%	9	2	54
90%	19	4	114
85%	29	6	174
80%	38	8	228
75%	48	10	288
70%	57	11.5	342
65%	67	13.5	402

"We are only a few minutes late" - Does it matter?

Being late for school reduces learning time and does not prepare your child or young person for their future working lives.

- Arrival 5 minutes late every day = 3 days of learning missed each year
- Arrival 15 minutes late every day = 10 days or 2 weeks of learning each year.

How you can help your child or young person to have excellent attendance in school

- Always inform the school if your child is absent.
- Talk openly to your child about school and work in partnership with the school to best support them.
- Encourage your child to attend regularly and advocate, speak up on behalf of their needs.
- Arrange medical or dental appointments outside of school hours when possible.
- Establish good morning and bedtime routines.
- Support your child to arrive at school on time.
- Take truancy seriously - consider where are they? Who are they with? What are they doing?
- Where possible attend parent consultations and school events.
- Value and acknowledge achievements in school.
- Take family holidays, visit family outside of term time.

Young people regularly missing school without good reason = increased risk of becoming isolated from their friends, underachieving in their learning and/or have vulnerability to become involved in anti-social behaviour.

A good diet and sleep routine adds to successful learning.

Every minute in school counts!

Helping your child to arrive at school on time, wearing correct uniform gives them a positive start to their day.

Regular school attendance teaches a young person life skills like time keeping, problem solving and independence.

Help your child by encouraging them to get their uniform and school bag ready the night before.



**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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- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Chance to win up to £25,000
- Play weekly, or just play the Super Draw!
- Win an amazing gaming bundle!




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www.yourschoollottery.co.uk
Search for: Winkleigh



18+ Gamble responsibly See website for Terms & conditions. Enter by 24/02/24

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
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WRAPAROUND CARE

FOR 2 TO 11 YEAR OLDS



EARLY BIRDS BREAKFAST CLUB!

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 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

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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.



UK Health
Security
Agency



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