



# Weekly newsletter

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## Executive Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a lovely week we have had at school! The weather has been a little cooler this week, which has been a welcome change and has allowed the children to enjoy spending more time outdoors.

The children at preschool have had a wonderful time making ice creams and have thoroughly enjoyed this fun summer activity. It has been lovely to see their excitement as they worked together, developed their independence, and enjoyed sharing their creations with their friends.

It has been a busy week for the federation with the first of four Ofsteds across the schools at Winkleigh this week under the new framework. We will be pleased to share the report once it published.

Across the school, the children have continued to work hard and take part in a wide range of learning opportunities. It has been a pleasure to see their enthusiasm, kindness, and resilience shining through as we approach the end of another successful year.

We are all looking forward to our Wake Park trip on Monday. It will be a fantastic opportunity for the children to come together, have fun, and enjoy spending time with their friends from across the federation.

On Tuesday, we will be holding our transition day, when the children will have the opportunity to spend time in their new classes and meet their teachers for September. We know this is always an exciting occasion, and we are especially looking forward to Class 1 meeting their new teacher, Mrs Keast.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support throughout the year. We wish you all a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday for another exciting week at school.

Kind regards,

Mrs V Fenemore

# Diary dates

## Upcoming week

Week beginning: 06.07.26

Weekly deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><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>• Gate opens 08.45-08.55 each day.</li></ul> <p>Email <a href="mailto:admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk">admin@kingsnypton.devon.sch.uk</a> to make changes.</p>
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Class 2 Wake Park Trip</b></li><li>• Gardening club 3.30pm-5pm</li></ul>
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Class 1 &amp; 2 PE Kit</li><li>• <b>Transition day – children spend the day in new classes with new teachers.</b></li><li>• Mrs Rowcliffe on site</li></ul>
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mrs Fenemore / Mr Slocombe / Mrs Stapley on site</li><li>• Class 2 PE kit</li></ul>
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Whole school forest school – Pre-school, Class 1 and Class 2</b></li><li>• Mrs Rowcliffe / Mrs Stapley on site</li></ul>
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Colour Run at Winkleigh</li></ul>



# The Woodland Federation

## Summer Holiday Club 2026

at Winkleigh Primary School

Open to all children aged 4-11.

Email: [admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk) for more information!

### Dates:

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August



# Class news

## Pre-school – Mrs Stapley

Dear families,

We have had a wonderful week in the preschool enjoying the beautiful summer weather and making the most of our outdoor spaces!

This week, the children have been exploring water play activities outside. From pouring, filling, and experimenting with different containers, the children have been developing their fine motor skills, coordination, and early understanding of concepts such as volume and cause and effect. It has also been a fantastic way to keep cool whilst having lots of fun! We introduced a variety of resources including cups, jugs, funnels, and small world toys, encouraging the children to use their imagination and creativity. Some children even worked together to create their own mini water games, showing great teamwork and communication skills.

Alongside water play, we have continued to enjoy summer themed activities, **including:**

Outdoor storytelling in the sunshine  
Creative crafts inspired by the season  
Role play in our playdough ice cream factory!

### Important Reminders:

Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle each day  
Apply sun cream before arrival.  
Send your child with a hat and suitable clothing for outdoor play  
A spare change of clothes is helpful, especially during water play days.

From next week, the pre-school children will exit through the side gate.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Preschool Team



# Class news

## Class 1 – Mrs Betts

The children have been brilliant this week, coping with the change in routine. Year One in particular, relished the opportunity to sit their quizzes. Everyone tried their best, and that has been wonderful to see.

Reception have been enjoying their phonics this week and their independent choosing time with preschool. They have also been focusing on their handwriting and wanted little handwriting books like the children in KS1.

In RE, this week the children went on a pilgrimage to the holy site of Mecca, they built the Ka'bah and walked around it seven times anticlockwise, then, they selected two points to be the Mountains of Al-Safa and Al-Marwa and ran between them seven times. Slept in tents at Mina, prayed at their mountain (Mount Arafat), collected 21 pebbles, and then threw them at the 3 pillars (chasing away the devil). Then, they walked another seven times around the Ka'bah to say farewell.

In history, we have been learning about farm vehicles and how modern inventions have improved efficiency. We have wealth of knowledge in this class and it was kind that they shared it with me. I learnt a lot!

Have a lovely weekend

Class One Team



# Class news

## Class 2 – Mrs Miali

This week the children have been doing their termly testing and they have been incredible. Each day, they have approached the tests with a calm, focussed attitude and shown great respect for each other. Well done Class 2!

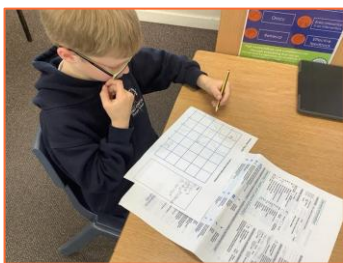
It was a lovely treat to end the week with our second forest school. The children are bonding really well and working together to support each other complete some of the challenges we encounter in the forest. They have been paying particular attention to the camp fire and the items we've cooked on it, in preparation for their final forest school day, where they will be cooking picnic dishes that they've been planning in their DT lessons.

In geography the class planned and designed their eco town. They decided on the features required to make their town eco-friendly and included aspects such as solar panels and wind turbines for renewable energy; cycle and footpaths to encourage less vehicle usage. They were creative with their green space usage too, accounting for local produce through allotments and small holdings and nature reserves to provide an eco-system and habitats for the wildlife.

Next week is a particularly busy week, starting with a trip to Wake park on Monday, followed by transition day on Tuesday. To end the week we have our whole school forest school on Thursday and the colour run on Friday.

Have a restful weekend,

Mrs Miali



# The Woodland Federation **COLOUR RUN**

Friday 10th July 2026 from

11:45am - 3pm

@Winkleigh Primary School



- £5 entry for the run/walk

- £5 for 10 tokens to be used on various table games, fayre activities and bouncy castles

- Cake stall, bbq and Sam's Cider

- Hamper voucher draw £2.50 a ticket (pre-sale coming soon)

- Raffle on the day

Pre-payment can be arranged for the tokens and race entry with cash payments taken on the day.

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Entries and token payments are still available via gateway for £5 each and that raffle tickets can be purchased and sold for £2.50 a ticket. Once again payments can be made via gateway or cash with sold ticket stubs.