

Winkleigh Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first full week back has seen the children working very hard on their learning, I've visited all classes this week and the children have been so keen to talk enthusiastically about their work.

Our new style Early Birds breakfast club and All Sorts after school club have both been very popular this week. Mrs Gent has served over 50 breakfasts since the start of term, the children have enjoyed pancakes, crumpets, muffins, toast, fruit and cereals. The feedback we have had has been fantastic. Thank you to Mrs Gent and her team for making it such a success. The All Sorts after school club has also been popular, Mrs Gent is now focusing on different themes and activities each day, such as craft, cooking, chess and games. Please see the clubs section of the newsletter to see what is on offer. Last night the children made cheese wheels, sounds delicious!

Year 5 had a visit from South West Water this week which focused on helping children understand the importance and value of water and inspire them to treat water as a precious resource through a range of water activities.

Our Nursery Stay & Play session was up and running again this week. It was lovely to see parents coming in with their younger children and enjoying the activities with them. If you know anyone who might want to come along, please let them know about it.

Thank you to everyone who signed up for Girls' Football, this is a new after school enrichment club and we are very excited as Mr Emery now has 18 attending which is brilliant, we will be arranging some fixtures soon.

Please can we ask that children arrive at school between 8:45am and 8:55am, the gate shuts promptly at 8:55am. Children can find it hard to walk into their class once everyone has started their learning, it is also disruptive for other children in the class. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a lovely weekend,



Mrs V Fenemore, Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES



W/C 16TH JANUARY 2023

Saturday 14th January	Deadline for booking school meals, Early Birds Breakfast Club and All Sorts After School Club for w/c 23rd January
Monday 16th January	 PE lessons today: Year 5 3.30pm-4.30pm Cooking Club (Year 3 & 4) 3.30pm-5.30pm Two Rivers Music Tuition
Tuesday 17th January	 PE lessons today: Year 4, Year 6 Lunchtime Gardening Club (Year 2 & 3) 3.30pm-4.30pm Football Club (Year 3 to 6)
Wednesday 18th Jan	 PE lessons today: Owls, Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 3.30pm-4.30pm Girls Football Club (Year 3 to 6)
Thursday 19th January	 Census Day—all Reception and Key Stage 1 children will be offered the chance to try a school meal PE lessons today: Owls, Year 2, Year 3 3.30pm-4.30pm Fine Art Club 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club (Year 3 to 6)
Friday 20th January	 PE lessons today: Year 2, Year 5, Year 6 9.15am-10.30am Nursery Stay & Play 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club (Year 1 & 2)

Emails sent this week: Owls Phonics 09/01/23. Owls Show & Tell. Year 1 Little Wandle 09/01/23. Nursery Bookings. Bus Arrangements Spring Term. Year 4 Energy from Waste Facility Education Visit. Local Clinic for Flu Vaccinations. Gardening Club 09/010/23. After School Football Club—Tuesdays. Letter from Public Health Devon—Height and Weight Measuring (Owls, Year 6). Phoneme Cards Sent Home. Skern Lodge—Second Instalment Reminder. Fine Art Club with Aurora Shine—Booking Details. Year 4 Spellings. Year 5 Spellings. Year 6 Spellings.



SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS

Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

Firstly a huge thank you for all the special cards and gifts you gave the nursery staff at the of term. It was very kind of you.

What a wonderful start to the spring term.

A big welcome to James, Grace, Ezra, Henry, Alan and Hector who have joined the nursery this term. It has been lovely to meet you all.

This week we have enjoyed the book 'Each Peach Pear Plum' and the children have been great at spotting all the different characters hiding on each page.

We have also painted our own portraits and these are brilliant! The children had a great time looking in the mirror and deciding what colours and shapes they would need to create their portraits.

Just a quick reminder about footwear- please make sure the children have comfortable shoes that they can move freely in and are easy for children to take on and off independently. Feel free to send in wellies for outdoor use.

Have a super weekend.

The Nursery Team



















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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

Owls have had a great first full week back and have been full of enthusiasm for all that we have done.

As part of our topic work the children have enjoyed listening to and re-telling the story 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' and worked well together to create their own maps to show the journey in various different ways.

In maths they have been thinking about 'more and less' and enjoyed using the story 'Room on the Broom' to help them count, and think about different quantities. It was lovely to welcome Squirrels into class on Tuesday afternoon. The children were so excited to see them and ensured they looked after them so well. We are looking forward to welcoming them back every Tuesday afternoon this term.

Our PSED work this week focused on what is safe to put into our bodies. The children had some very grown up conversations about what was safe, what was not safe and why. We also talked about the importance of checking with a trusted adult.

For our show and tell next week we would like the children to bring in something from one of their favourite seasons to tie in with our topic work. This could be a bucket and spade to show that they like to go to the beach in the summer, or a photograph of a wintery walk. As always, we look forward to hearing the children's stories.

It has been lovely to see children's confidence in writing really grow this week. They are using their phonics knowledge so well and finding little 'reminder notes' on my chair this week has been so exciting. Well done Owls, keep up your great work.













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Year 1—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Keast

This week we have been very busy in English, learning to retell The Three Billy Goats Gruff with actions. We have also been looking at sentences and editing them to include the correct punctuation. We have discussed what a sentence is and what it needs to include. In Maths we have been continuing our work on place value to 20. We have focused on the numbers 17, 18, 19 and 20. Then we looked at 'more and less' before finishing the week with the number line to 20. This has included lots of questions on reasoning and problemsolving, allowing us to apply our learning and talk about our understanding. In Geography we have been learning about The United Kingdom, specifically focusing on England this week. We had lots of discussion about London and the landmarks you can see

In Computing we focused on adding text and exploring more of the keys found on a keyboard. We also began to use the backspace button to remove text from the computer.

We have had great fun beginning our weaving this week in Design Technology!



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Year 2—Miss Jones

It's been a successful first full week back at school and it's been great to see the brilliant learning taking place by all. We are really enjoying our space focus in English and have learned lots of new interesting facts as we explore the different planets. We have been focusing on structuring our facts into sentences and writing questions and answers that are coherently linked.

In Maths we have finished our learning all about shape. We explored properties of 3D shapes such as faces and edges practically, before working collaboratively to make 2D and 3D shape patterns, looking at repetition and orientation.

In Geography we began to look at maps and thought about how they are useful. For our elicitation tasks we had a go at drawing maps of our local area and route to school.

In Science we looked at the human life cycle and learned key points for each stage.

We explored resist painting in Art on Thursday by using close up nature images and white crayons, before using water colours to overlay and reveal the patterns. Along with the rest of the school, we have been consolidating our talk rules as we embed oracy across the curriculum. This is a important speaking and listening skill that the children will use as they go up through the school.

A great first week, well done everyone.









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Year 3—Mr Slocombe

It has been great to welcome the children back to school over the last couple of weeks! We have kicked off the new term with several elicitation tasks across our sequences. In art, we have learnt about the significant artist Vincent Van Gogh and discussed our likes, dislikes and questions when viewing his artwork.

On Monday, we applied the technique of Tonking to a small area of the picture, focusing on the moon in 'Starry Night'. Tonking is a technique used by artists to remove excess paint by placing paper over the top. In science, we learnt about magnets and magnetic fields, discussing poles and the key words of attract and repel. We have continued our sequence in English based on the Beasties. Our focus has been on adverbs and adverbial phrases and how we can use them within our writing.

Next week, we will complete our independent writing. Maths has seen us learn more about multiplying by 8, the times tables and learning how to multiply and divide by 10 by moving digits in their place value columns. It has been great to see all the fantastic reading that has happened over Christmas! Remember to keep using TTRS! I hope you all have a restful weekend, see you on Monday!







Year 4—Miss McLean

What a fantastic start to the Spring term we have had in Year Four! The children have all come back with so much enthusiasm to learn and have also enjoyed getting to know our new TA Mrs Thompson. This week, we spent some time discussing what oracy is and how we can effectively communicate with each other in the classroom. We came up with some oracy rules so that our group and class discussions support our learning.

In maths this week, we have been looking at written methods for multiplication. We have used number lines, part whole models and the column method to multiply 2- and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number.

In English, we have been getting to know our new focus text 'Dare to Care for a pet Dragon'. We have been using coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to write some of our own sentences about how to care for a dragon.

Next week, we will move on to look at using adverbials before planning some writing about caring for animals of our own choice.

In science this week, we learnt what a circuit is and what electrical components are. We then had a go at drawing the symbols that can represent each component in a circuit diagram.

On Thursday afternoon in art, we had a go at using paint to mix colours that would be suitable for painting water. Have a lovely weekend!









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Year 5—Mr Walter

Year 5 have really settled back into our first full week of 2023! In English, we have been looking at a text called Short! Throughout the week we have been identifying the genres of the short stories within by reading, editing and discussing different meanings of the word choice.

In maths we have been finding equivalent fractions using the correct vocabulary throughout and have focussed on identifying improper and mixed number fractions.

This week, we have been visited by South West Water who showed us the water cycle and how they produce our water. We also found out the strange things that have been found in the sewers (glasses, car keys & mobile phones to name a few).

Well done this week Year 5, have a fantastic weekend!





Year 6—Mr Davis

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and that the children are back and raring to go in the Spring term! This week, we have started all of our new sequences. In English, Year 6 have started their term-long Harry Potter sequence. The first elements have involved recapping word classes and sentence types. They applied this by creating and writing their own 'Howler' which are now proudly displayed on our classroom door.

In Maths, our first sequence of the term is ratio. The children have been learning the rules of ratio and applying this to real life problems like recipes and building scale models.

In Science, the children have started their Living Things sequence by collecting leaves from the school grounds, considering their characteristics and classifying them accordingly. In Geography, this half term's sequence is about South America. The children have had a chance to research this continent independently before considering the human and physical geographical features as well.

In RE, our teaching sequences involves considering the potential conflict between religious creation stories and science. The first piece of work has been reminding ourselves about the creation story in the Bible and thinking about the literal and metaphorical meanings.

Finally, in Art, Mrs Gent has started teaching the children about Lino printing.

Year 6 have designed their initial print and have had to learn about negative and positive space and what effect this will have on their finished product. This has been Mr Robinson's last week with us and the end of the first placement of his PGCE. I know the children and staff will wish him all the best with his future career! Have a lovely weekend.

WRAPAROUND CARE



EARLY BIRDS BREAKFAST AND ALL SORTS AFTER SCHOOL

Our new wraparound care provision is off to a great start!

We've received over 30 completed wraparound care registration packs and Mrs Gent has made over 50 breakfasts since the start of term!

Each All Sorts after school club is now themed. This week, we enjoyed lots of board games on Monday, pom-pom making in Arts & Crafts on Wednesday, and on Thursday we made cheese wheels in Cooking.



Bookings must be made a week in advance and via the Clubs section on the Gateway. Please note that payment alone doesn't secure a booking—you must book via the Clubs section first.

Places are limited so please ensure you book in plenty of time. All school-aged children from Reception through to Year 6 are welcome.

The themes for All Sorts after school club:

Mondays is Fun & Games

Tuesdays is Chess

Wednesdays is Arts & Crafts

Thursdays is Cooking

Fridays is All Sorts!



If your child would like to attend an ad-hoc session, you are very welcome to book them in.

WRAPAROUND CARE



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HELP PAYING FOR YOUR CHILDCARE



Government help with childcare costs for parents. Whether you have toddlers or teens, you could get support.

FIND THE RIGHT OFFER FOR YOU

Visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to check your eligibility.

We accept Tax-Free Childcare Vouchers towards our wraparound care provision.

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Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

ADVICE FOR PARENTS







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			



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek





Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

AUTUMN/WINTER MENU



31ST OCTOBER 2022 TO 31ST MARCH 2023

One					
One	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Hunters Chicken (Homemade BBQ Sauce) & Rice)	Roast Chicken & Stuffing (Optional)	Westcountry Sausage (Pork) & Mash with Gravy	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Crumble	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita with Rice	Leek & Potato Layer Bake	Gnocchi with Quorn Mince Ragu	Quorn Dippers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Potato Wedges	Peas	Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Gravy	Country Mixed Vegetables	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips & Crunchy Veg Sticks
And for pudding	Pancakes with sliced Banana & Honey	Apple Crumble & Custard	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Sticky Toffee Cake topped with Toffee Sauce & Langage Farm Ice Cream	Homemade Chocolate Drop Biscuit
Jacket Potato	, Beans	Cheese	Tuna	Cheese	Beans
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				
Week starting:	31/10/22; 21/11/22; 12/12/22; 16/01/23; 06/02/23; 06/03/23; 27/03/23				

Week	SHOULD BE AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE PA					
Two	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Option 1	Quorn Curry & Tilda Rice	Cottage Pie (Beef)	Roast Gammon & Pineapple (Optional)	Organic Pork Meatballs & Wholemeal Pasta	Salmon Bites	
Option 2 (v)	Macaroni Cheese	Tomato & Bean Pasta Bake with Crusty Bread	Vegetable Wellington	Vegetable Chilli & Rice	Cheese & Tomato Quiche	
Sides	Peas & Sweetcorn	Green Beans & Gravy	Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Gravy	Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips & Crunchy Veg Sticks	
And for pudding	Homemade Banana Muffin	Jam Sponge & Pink Custard	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Carrot Cake	Chocolate Cracknel	
Jacket Potato	Cheese	Beans	Tuna	Cheese	Beans	
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.					
Week starting:	07/11/22; 28/11/22; 02/01/23; 23/01/23; 20/02/23; 13/03/23					

Three	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza Margherita	Tuna Pasta Bake	Roast Pork & Stuffing (Optional)	Lasagne (Beef)	Cod Goujons
Option 2 (v)	Plant Power Burger	Cheese Wheel & Potato Wedges	Veggie Roast	Singapore Style Noodles	Quorn Sausage
Sides	Sweetcorn & Herby Diced Potatoes	Farmhouse Mixed Vegetables	Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Gravy	Crusty Bread & Roasted Winter Vegetables	Wholemeal Pasta or Chips & Crunchy Veg Sticks
And for pudding	Flapjack	Apple & Custard Cake with Langage Farm Ice Cream	Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt	Sticky Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Homemade Jammy Dodger Biscuit
Jacket Potato	Beans	Tuna	Cheese	Cheese	Beans
vailable each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				



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