

A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a lovely half term break, as always the children have settled back into their learning. It has been lovely to hear what everyone has been up to.

Owls and Year 1 had a visit from the dentist in Torrington this week, who talked to them about the importance of reducing sugary drinks and snacks as well as brushing their teeth properly.

Owls and Squirrels are very much looking forward to their trip to Bear Town next week. I am really looking forward to seeing photos of the day and hearing all about it.

We are excited to welcome several local schools next Friday for our Year 3/4 football tournament, thank you to Mr Slocombe for organising this.

We had planned some class sharing assemblies this term, however as we have a lot of things happening in the run up to Christmas these will be postponed until the Spring Term. More details of these events will be out shortly.

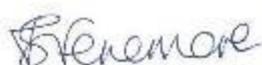
Next week to mark Remembrance Day, Year 6 children will be selling poppy related wristbands, stationery and key rings throughout the week. If your child would like to buy one of these items, the suggested donation is £1 which they should bring to school to put in the Poppy Appeal collection pot.

In addition to this, we invite all children to wear red on Friday for a donation to the local Royal British Legion branch in CREDITON. Donations for the "wear red" day can be made on the Gateway. A minute's silence will be held together as a whole school on the playground at 11:00am on Friday.



Following on from the letter we recently sent out regarding the authorisation of absence from school. Please could we politely remind you that what is deemed as 'unauthorised absence' is guidance determined by Devon County Council. Absences can only be authorised if they are deemed 'Exceptional Circumstances'. These are one off events which are unavoidable, examples may include the death of a close relative, attendance at a close relative's funeral, respite care of a looked after child, a housing crisis which prevents attendance. I would like to emphasise that individual schools do not decide this criteria themselves.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the fantastic fireworks event organised by FOWS tonight!



Mrs V Fenemore
Executive Headteacher



Dare to be Different Day was a huge success this year with a grand total of £138 raised!

Thanks for all your support.

DIARY DATES

W/C 7TH NOVEMBER 2022



Saturday 5th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ <i>Deadline for booking school meals and before school club for w/c 14th November</i>
Monday 7th November	<p>Playground Gate opens at 8.45am and will shut <u>promptly</u> at 8.55am so that children are in class ready to start their learning at 9.00am</p> <p>3.30pm Children released to their parents/carers—Owls and Year 1 via the side gate near the main reception entrance, everyone else from the main playground gate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE lessons today: Year 5 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Chess Club (Mrs Gent)
Tuesday 8th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Owls & Squirrels Educational Visit to Bear Town ◆ PE lessons today: Year 1, Year 4, Year 6 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 1/2 Multi Sports Club (Saints Southwest) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Homework Club (Mrs Gent) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 3/4 Football/Multi Sports (Mr Slocombe)
Wednesday 9th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE lessons today: Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Fun & Games Club (Mrs Gent) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 1/2 Art Club (Mrs Bourner) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 4 PE/Multi Sports Club (Primary Sports)
Thursday 10th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ PE lessons today: Owls, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 ◆ Lunchtime Year 4/5 Gardening Club (Mr Walter) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 3-6 Art Club (Miss Parsons) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 5/6 Football Club (Mr Davis/Mr Walter) ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 5 PE/Multi Sports Club (Primary Sports)
Friday 11th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Wear Red for Poppy Day (<i>donations can be made to The Royal British Legion via Gateway</i>) ◆ PE lessons today: Year 1, Year 5, Year 6 ◆ 1.50pm Year 3/4 Football Tournament (<i>letters have gone to those involved</i>) ◆ 3.30pm-4.15pm Year 6 PE/Multi Sports Club (Primary Sports)

Emails sent this week: Flu Immunisations. Year 3 Spellings. Christmas Lunch. Deposit Payment Reminder—Skern Lodge. Deposit Payment Reminder—London. Nursery Session Booking Form. Firework Display Tickets. Year 2 Spellings. Film Consent—Year 5. Year 4/5 Gardening Club. Severe Weather Arrangements (School Buses). Year 2 Spellings. Year 5 Spellings. PG/12 Film Permission—Year 6. Year 4 Spellings. Outstanding Meal Balances. Year 6 Spellings.

THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

It has been lovely to see the children after the half term holiday and they seemed excited to share their holiday news!

This week we have enjoyed the book 'Leaf man' by Lois Ehlert. The children enjoyed following the sequence of the story and spending time outside gathering different leaves and natural materials to make their own leaf people and animals! We have also been learning about the festival and celebration Diwali where the children have engaged in different stories about Diwali, made their own lanterns and created divas using play dough and sparkles!

Because we enjoy spending time outside in all weathers it would be great if children could have wellies that they can change into for when we go outside. Coats are needed every day! Thank you for your continued support.

Bear Town: The Squirrels are very excited about our trip to 'Bear Town' on Tuesday. We will be leaving promptly at 9.00am and returning by the end of the school day at 3.30pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch, drinks bottle and spare clothes just in case they need to change. Please make sure the children wear trainers or shoes they are comfortable in.



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

We have had a wonderfully spooktacular week in Owls Class this week and the children have loved sharing their experiences of Halloween with the class.

They have enjoyed listening to a range of stories based around this festival and particularly enjoyed 'There's a witch in your book.' Using their own magic wands, the children were very excited to practise their magic skills by turning water to slime and making spooky blue spiders eggs grow! We hope nothing mysterious happens with these wands at home over the weekend!

In maths, the children have been counting bugs and spiders into cauldrons and have been recording how many creatures they have put into their potions! In R.E this week, the children enjoyed listening to 'Lucy's Picture' and loved creating their own pictures for a person who is special to them. For show and tell next week we would like to play a matching game where we try and match baby pictures to photographs of the children now, talking about how everyone has changed and grown. ***If possible, please could you send in a photograph of your child as a baby by Wednesday so that we can photocopy them and prepare them for the session on Thursday afternoon.***

We have two blue hooded sports jumpers in class with no names in them. Please let us know if you are missing one and we can reunite them with their owners.

Our theme next week will be based around fireworks night. We hope everyone has a lovely weekend and that you are all able to enjoy some fireworks displays in the dry!



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Year 1—Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Keast

Year One have had a fabulous first week back. We enjoyed a visit from a Dentist on Wednesday and we have had great fun in our two PE sessions at the end of the week. In English we have begun a new text 'A Dog's Day' by Rebecca Rissman. We love how the book is actually two versions of the same events, told through the eyes of both Rusty and Rosie. We have been learning to retell the story with actions.

In Maths we have been working on subtraction and 'fact families' - writing 8 linked addition and subtraction number sentences. In History we begin a new unit of learning about toys from the past. ***If anyone has any interesting old toys at home that we could use to view in class that would be very exciting.*** In Computing we are beginning to learn to use paint to create digital drawings and that is something that you could try at home using the free Paintz website (<https://paintz.app>). ***Finally a reminder that we will change library books on a Thursday afternoon, please try and pop them back into your book bags every Thursday.***



Year 2—Miss Jones



It's been a busy first week back after half term. In English we have explored non-fiction text types. We used highlighters to identify headings, page numbers, facts and pictures/illustrations from example pages in the text. We then started our shared write ready to plan our independent piece of writing next week.

In Maths we consolidated column method and used hundred squares and bead strings to help us when adding and subtracting two-digit numbers. We then began exploring the concept of exchanging practically at the end of the week. It was a week of new learning through our elicitation booklets.

In History we started to look at explorers and discussed what we thought what equipment explorers might use in the past and present. In Science we are continuing with living things and their habitats. In this half of the term we are studying specific habitats in more detail. In Computing we explored digital photography. We looked at some different cameras and decided whether they were from the past or present. In D&T we started our fridge magnet sequence. For our elicitation we thought about what could be held on a fridge and what the purpose of fridge magnets are.

Preparations for the Year 1 and 1 Christmas play are underway! We have started to learn the songs which is very exciting. Have a good weekend everyone.

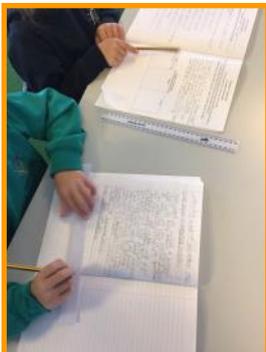


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Year 3—Mr Slocombe



It has been great to welcome everyone back this week. We have learnt our new text 'Interview with a Tiger' and have focused on key vocabulary from the text. We have also written a character profile for the tiger and thought about using conjunctions to improve and extend our writing.

In maths, we are coming to the end of our addition and subtract sequence. We have used the inverse to check calculations, found near numbers to make estimations and found complements to 100.

In science, we have completed our elicitation task and thought about pushes, pulls and forces.

We have also begun our new sequence all about the Ancient Egyptians, we made inferences about the lives of the Egyptians and what images of artefacts from the civilisation can teach us.

We are busy all week and this afternoon, we have begun our Spanish unit by learning the numbers 0-10. Then we completed our weekly retrieval quiz, to remind ourselves of all the things we have learnt this week. Keep up all the fantastic home learning with reading at home and Times Tables Rock Stars.

Finally, we have started learning a poem that we will be reading at the War Memorial on Friday next week. Have a super weekend.



Year 4—Miss McLean



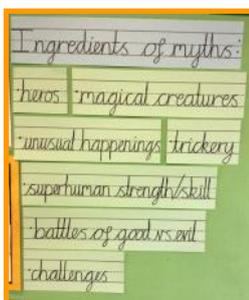
Year Four have had a lovely first week back after half term! The children have all been interested to find out what our new sequences of learning are for this half term and have enjoyed completing our elicitation tasks. In maths, we have completed a short unit on area and will be starting our sequence on multiplication and division next week.

In English, we have begun a learning sequence based on the book 'Myth atlas'. So far, we have discussed the 'ingredients of a myth' and what makes them different from other fictional stories. We learnt one of the myths from the book and put actions with it to help us bring it to life.

In science, we are continuing to learn about states of matter. This week, we learnt a song to help us remember the key vocabulary *evaporation*, *condensation* and *precipitation* as part of the water cycle.

In history, we listened to a story about how the ancient Mayan civilisation was discovered by Spanish explorers and came up with some questions that we would like to find out the answers to about the Mayan civilisation.

Finally, on Thursday afternoon we finished making our remembrance poppies. The children are all looking forward to wearing these next week to show their respect. Have a wonderful weekend all!



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Year 5—Mr Walter

Year 5 have worked hard on their return to school this week!

In English, we have been looking into the key features of poems and spells in the text “The Lost Words”. This has allowed us to explore the uses of alliteration, rhyme and repetition. In maths, we have been distinguishing the differences between multiples and factors. This has allowed us to find the lowest common multiples and identify the highest common factors of pairs of numbers.

In addition, this week we have completed various elicitation tasks to highlight our understanding and knowledge of each foundation subject. In DT, we have started our collaboration project with Year 6 to plan this year’s Christmas fair games and in PE, we have started our sequence focussing on gymnastics. This allows us to focus on the discipline and controlled elements of using our body.

Finally, throughout November we are engaging with the keepy uppy challenge to help raise money for cancer charities, please see Facebook and our [website](#) to track our progress and see how you could sponsor us.

A polite reminder for this term especially with the weather we have had this week, everyone **must** have a coat in school every day.

I hope everyone has a dry and safe weekend celebrating bonfire night.



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Year 6—Mr Davis

I hope you all had a lovely half term break and that the children were all reading and raring to get back to school.

In English this week, we have been finishing our teaching sequence on Beowulf. The children have been challenged with planning and writing their own section of a monster story using the blueprint and grammatical techniques we have been studying this term. Their outcomes have been very impressive!

In Maths, we have finished our sequence on the four operations by looking at BODMAS and the order of operations, by looking at questions that have required the children to think about what they know and consider a method that is efficient and, finally, to apply their estimating skills to help them make an educated mathematical guess.

In ICT, Year 6 have started their latest sequence of work on 3D modelling. The children have had the chance to experiment with the software and test its limits. In History, the first sequence of Year 6 is about the Tudors. Year 6 learnt about how the Tudor period started - at the Battle of Bosworth.

In Science, Year 6 have also started a new sequence - electricity. The first lesson centred around the role of the cell in a circuit and how to draw circuit diagrams correctly.

Finally, Year 6 have been collaborating with Year 5 on this term's design and technology project - planning, creating and running this year's Christmas fair games. They will be working closely together this term in this subject and this week was a really good start! It has been a fantastic week - Year 6 have come back after the break with a fantastic attitude.



KEEPY UPPY CHALLENGE



This week has seen us start our challenge to actively do at least one keepy-uppy with our hands or feet each day throughout November. This is linked to our PE curriculum and outreach to raise awareness to the wider community. Please see our Facebook page for further updates and how you could sponsor us to raise money for cancer charities.

You can also sponsor us here:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/woodlands-bobby-moore-fund-keepy-uppy-challenge-giving-page>



FOWS are appealing for volunteer helpers on the night. If you are able to spare some time, please get in touch with FOWS via the email address below.

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS NIGHT

FRIDAY 4TH 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)

*Buy your **FAST PASS TICKETS** (for no queuing on the night)
at The Mad Butchers, the Post Office & Southwest Fixings.*

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ADVICE FOR PARENTS



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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



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>.

AUTUMN/WINTER MENU

31ST OCTOBER 2022 TO 31ST MARCH 2023



Week 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 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				

Week 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
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Fresh Bread & Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternative.				
Week starting:	14/11/22; 05/12/22; 09/01/23; 30/01/23; 27/02/23; 20/03/23				



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

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme



The aim of the Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme is to support children to eat more healthily, be more active over the school holidays and have a greater knowledge of health and nutrition as well as be more engaged with school and other local services.

To help you find the guidance you need, please visit: [Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) programme – Education and Families \(devon.gov.uk\)](https://www.devon.gov.uk/haf)

