

## A note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely week at Kings Nympton Primary School, and we're excited to share some important news and updates with you!

Today, our Year 6 students took part in vital Defibrillator Training, led by Jay's AIM at Winkleigh. They learned essential lifesaving skills, including how to use a defibrillator in an emergency. A huge thank you to Jay's AIM for this valuable session—our children are now more confident in helping others when it matters most.

Thank you to Mrs Bourner from Winkleigh and Mrs Drake from Bow who organised a collaborative staff meeting focused on Geography. Staff from Winkleigh, Kings Nympton, Hatherleigh and Bow worked together to look at geography books, the curriculum and approaches to delivering key skills and knowledge. It was great to be able to spend time discussing and sharing expertise across the schools. Teachers looked at strengths in how geographical understanding and fieldwork are taught.

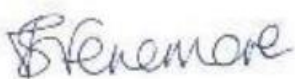
We are thrilled to announce that Winkleigh Parish Council is running a writing competition for our students! This is a wonderful opportunity for our young writers to showcase their creativity and talent. We encourage all students to participate – please see the attached flyer for details.

We are delighted to welcome our new Teaching Assistant, Mrs Gibson, who will join us in 4 weeks' time and will be working across the school. Their support will be invaluable in enhancing the learning experience for our pupils. Please join us in giving them a warm Kings Nympton welcome!

A reminder that our Sports for Champions fundraising is well underway! This initiative supports both our school and the incredible athlete Kirsty Way, a European Championship medallist in trampolining. 60% of the funds raised will go towards our school federation, while 40% will help support Kirsty in her sporting career. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed—your support makes a huge difference!

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. Have a wonderful weekend!

Have a lovely weekend



Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

# MOTHERS DAY CREAM TEA

THURSDAY 27TH MARCH 2025



## Mother's Day Cream Tea

Inviting: Mums, Grans, Significant females

Thursday 27th March

In school from 2.15pm

- \* Homemade scone
- \* Jam & Clotted Cream
- \* Tea or Coffee
- \* A biscuit for the children

£4.50

Please pre-order your  
cream tea on the  
gateway by Tuesday  
18th March

Please note, cream teas are  
pre-order only.  
We will be unable to provide  
a cream tea on the day.



# DIARY DATES

W/C 24TH FEBRUARY 2025



Saturday 1st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>Deadline for booking before school club on the gateway for w/c 10th March</b></li> </ul>
Monday 3rd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>School door opens at 8:45am and will shut promptly at 8:55am so that children are in class ready to start their learning at 9am, <u>late arrivals will need to be signed in, in the admin office</u></b></li> <li>◆ Onsite AM—Mrs Rowcliffe</li> <li>◆ Onsite PM—Subject leader from Winkleigh</li> <li>◆ <b>PE Kit today: Class 1</b></li> </ul>
Tuesday 4th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Onsite AM—Mrs Fenemore / Mrs Manning</li> <li>◆ Onsite PM—Mrs Rowcliffe</li> </ul>
Wednesday 5th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>Swimming Kit : Class 2 (please refer to letter for kit information)</b></li> <li>◆ Onsite PM—Mrs Manning</li> <li>◆ <b>PE kit today: Class 1</b></li> </ul>
Thursday 6th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Onsite AM—Mrs Fenemore &amp; Mrs Manning</li> <li>◆ Onsite all day—Mrs Stapley</li> <li>◆ <b>PE Kit today: Class 2</b></li> </ul>
Friday 7th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>KS2 to come to Winkleigh Primary School—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 3.30pm Children released to their parents/carers (Lunch can be ordered via the gateway up to 8am the same day)</b></li> </ul>
Saturday 8th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ <b>Deadline for booking before school club on the gateway for w/c 17th March</b></li> </ul>



# THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



## Preschool - Mrs Stapley

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the half term break.

This week we have thoroughly enjoyed the the story 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'

From this the children have constructed bridges for the goats to cross, created their own terrifying trolls and made grass head trolls.

The children have been retelling the story beautifully in their own words.

Below is a song we have been singing.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Preschool Team

**Billy Goats Like Grass so Green Song (Sing to the tune of 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star'.)**

***Billy goats like grass so green,***

***But the troll is very mean,***

***So the big goat makes a dash, Pushes troll, who makes a splash!***

***Billy goats like grass so green,***

***But the troll was very mean!***



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## Class 1 - Mrs Betts

It is lovely to see the children back at school and eager to learn.

The Curious Quest has begun with the Faithful Friends requesting our help with speech marks. The children have found out what they are used for and have had a go at using them in their writing. Amazingly, we unlocked the gate and now our friends are crossing the malevolent mountains. The '*Stinky Cheeseman*' by Jon Scieszka and Lane Smith is the story that we have been innovating. The children have been learning some top tier vocabulary and some have even been trying to use it in their writing.

In maths, reception have been focussing on pairs and number bonds to ten. While, year 1 and 2 have been learning about multiplication. They have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, and year 2 have has the added challenge of counting in 3s.

We were lucky this week to have some great weather for PE, and we have started our new PE units which are: tag rugby and racket sports. We've been learning about attacking and defending as well as balance, control and the importance of always watching the ball.

In science, the children have begun their unit on Weather and the Season. This is a fabulous topic and will ensure that the children get lots of opportunities to make and measure different types of weather.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Betts, Mrs Blacker and Mrs Slade



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## Class 2- Mrs Miali

Welcome back class 2, it is lovely to see you all back in the classroom. Our learning over the next few weeks has some lovely cross curricular links, with our English work looking at a hybrid text on the rainforest and Geography focusing on biomes and climates. The children will all be experts by the end.

Within English this week the class have broken down the book '*Rainforests Rough Guide*.' This has allowed them to fully understand the different features used in non-fiction books and the importance they play in the reader being able to easily access the information. We had some fun trying to use the contents and index pages of non-fiction books to find particular pieces of information.

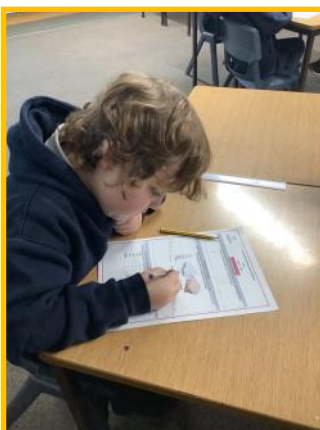
I was very impressed at the children's recall of prior knowledge in Geography on Tuesday. They have already shown a good understanding of biomes and are eager to explore more about each of them and their climates.

Year 3 are looking at length and perimeter in math over the next couple of weeks and have had the opportunity to take out the meter sticks and tape measures to practice their measuring skills around the school. This will come in handy when they're making their photo frames in D&T. Year 6 have also started a new maths topic, decimals. Remembering tenths are greater than thousandths has been key in helping them complete their work.

Swimming continues for a few more weeks and with the nice weather the class have also been able to start playing badminton and work on their hand (racquet) - eye coordination.

Enjoy your weekend and don't forget it's World book day next week!

Mrs Miali, Mrs Blacker and Mrs Slade





# CHILDREN'S WRITING COMPETITION



## Winkleigh Parish Council Community Awards 2025

### CHILDREN'S WRITING COMPETITION

Write your own story about 'Magical Devon' in up to 500 words!



We don't mind about perfect spelling and grammar, just let your imagination fly and have fun.

If you enjoy pictures, you can illustrate your story too. Why not think about the incredible place in which we live and include imaginative people, creatures or animals too. Perhaps you can imagine something magical that takes place here, you can cast a spell with your writing.

You may choose to write something original with a plot, characters and language. Write a story you would love to read!

The competition is open to children aged 11 or under. Entries launched 24/2/25 submitted by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. Email your entry to [clerk@winkleighpc.org](mailto:clerk@winkleighpc.org) or submit them in a special posting box that you will find in Winkleigh Post Office and Community Centre. **You can also get an application form from school and hand it in to them.**

Please include the name and contact details of an adult with whom we can get in touch to invite the shortlisted entries to the display and awards ceremony at the Community Fair 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Entries cannot be returned so please keep a copy. The judge's decision is final.

Prizes of book vouchers will be awarded to the winner and runners up and all entries will receive a certificate of merit.

The prizes will be awarded by Guest Speaker TBC.

The winning entry will be published in the Distinctly Winkleigh magazine and all entries will be displayed on the Winkleigh Parish Council Website

# AUTUMN/WINTER MENU

4TH NOVEMBER 2024 - 4TH APRIL 2025



1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Hot Option 1</b>	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Mild Chicken Curry & Rice	Honey Roast Gammon	Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
<b>Hot Option 2</b>	Golden Veggie Fingers	Cheese & Cauliflower Pasta Bake	Veggie Slice	Veggie Balls in a Tomato Sauce	Vegan Veggie Fritters
<b>Served with</b>	Herby Diced Potato Coleslaw or Sweetcorn	Broccoli	Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy	Pasta, Green Beans & Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Beans
<b>Jacket Potato</b>	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
<b>Dessert</b>	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Pip Organic Lolly / Warm Fruit Compote with Greek Yoghurt	Sticky Toffee Cake with Sauce	Oat & Sultana Cookie
Week One: 4 Nov   25 Nov   16 Dec   20 Jan   10 Feb   10 Mar   31 Mar					

2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Hot Option 1</b>	Macaroni Cheese	Butcher's Sausages & Gravy	Roast Pork & Apple Sauce	Beef Lasagne	Fillet of Fish
<b>Hot Option 2</b>	Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Sausages & Gravy	Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed with Quorn Pieces	Vegetarian Lasagne	Veggie Nuggets
<b>Served with</b>	Broccoli & Garlic Bread	Mashed Potatoes & Carrots	Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy	Green Beans or Coleslaw Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Beans
<b>Jacket Potato</b>	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
<b>Dessert</b>	Pip Organic Lolly / Warm Fruit Compote with Greek Yoghurt	Apple Crumble & Custard	Crispy Chocolate Cornflake Cake	Homemade Carrot Cake	Homemade Shortbread Biscuit
Week Two: 11 Nov   2 Dec   6 Jan   27 Jan   24 Feb   17 Mar					

3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Hot Option 1</b>	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Fish Pie	Sausage Roast Sage & Onion Stuffing	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
<b>Hot Option 2</b>	Frittata	Cheesy Wheels & Herby Diced Potatoes	Quorn & Leek Pastry Puff	Mediterranean Vegetable Pasta	Margherita Wrap
<b>Served with</b>	Potato Wedges Sweetcorn or Winter Coleslaw	Peas or Baked Beans	Roast Potatoes Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Penne Pasta Green Beans & Crusty Bread	Chips & Peas or Baked Beans
<b>Jacket Potato</b>	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans	Cheese or Beans
<b>Dessert</b>	Arctic Roll	Iced Chocolate Cake	Fruit Jelly	Flapjack	Pip Organic Ice Lolly
Week Three: 18 Nov   9 Dec   13 Jan   3 Feb   3 Mar   24 Mar					

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You can order lunch till 8am on the same day.  
KS1 children are all entitled to free school meals.



# ATTENDANCE



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/minfoc>.



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 Kings Nympton 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](mailto:admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk)