

A note from the Head

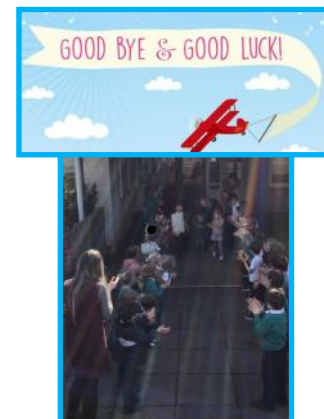
Dear Parents and Carers,

It's lovely to see some sunshine at last, which means we can make more use of the field for outdoor activities!

This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming our Sports for Champions athlete, Kelly Way. She delivered an inspirational assembly, sharing her journey of both successes and setbacks, encouraging our children to persevere and stay motivated. The children also took part in exciting fitness circuits, showing great enthusiasm and determination. After the administration fee, the profit was £1300, which means the Federation received almost £800 and Kelly receiving £520. This is amazing and we thank all parents and children who supported this event. This money will go into our fundraising pot, which subsidises trips and residentials.

Our top fundraisers:

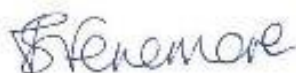
- ◆ Rory (Yr5)
- ◆ Hollie and Charlotte (Yr4)
- ◆ Alfred (Yr3)
- ◆ Willow (Yr2)
- ◆ Ava (Yr1)
- ◆ Luna (Yr1)



These children received a £5 amazon voucher from school. Thank you to Mr Walter for organising this event once again a huge thank you to all who supported it. We also enjoyed welcoming children from Kings Nympton for a fun and engaging visit, strengthening our school community ties.

A polite reminder to sign up for our Mother's Day Cream Tea, taking on Friday 28th March. (See page 3) This much-loved event is a special opportunity for children to enjoy a lovely afternoon with their mums, grandmas, or special family member. There will be a selection of delicious homemade scones with jam and cream, and of course plenty of tea for the adults and a biscuit for all the children.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.



Mrs V Fenemore. Executive Headteacher

DIARY DATES

W/C 17TH MARCH 2025



NEW Daily Deadlines

- ◆ *Lunch Deadline 8.00am on the same day.*
- ◆ *All Sorts Deadline 8.30am on the same day.*
- ◆ *Early Birds Deadline 3.00pm the day before.*

Please continue to email admin@winkleigh.devon.sch.uk to make any amendments for the above.

Monday 17th March

- ◆ **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—Owls and Year 1 via the side gate near the main reception entrance, everyone else from the main playground gate.
- ◆ **PE kit today: Year 3, Year 5**
- ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Craft Club with Mrs Stapley
- ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Djembe Drum Club with Miss McLean

Tuesday 18th March

- ◆ **Year 6 Future Musicians—Chulmleigh Community Collage**
- ◆ **PE kit today: Owls, Year 2, Year 4, Year 6**
- ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Fine Art Club with Emmylou

Wednesday 19th March

- ◆ **PE kit today: Year 1, Year 4**
- ◆ **ORDER DEADLINE—Mother's Day Cream Tea**

Thursday 20th March

- ◆ **Year 1 Exmoor Zoo Educational Trip**
- ◆ **PE kit today: Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 6**
- ◆ 12.00pm-12.30pm Year 3 & Year 4 Running Club
- ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Year 5 & Year 6 Running Club
- ◆ 3.30pm-4.30pm Multi Sports Club Year 1 to Year 6
- ◆ **PAYMENT DEADLINE—Owls, Rosemoor Educational Visit**

Friday 21st March

- ◆ **PE kit today: Year 5**

Emails sent this week: Owls Phonics, Garening at Lunchtime Yr 6, Reminder—Skern Lodge Residential SOE3 Form,

MOTHERS DAY CREAM TEA

FRIDAY 28TH MARCH 2025



Mother's Day Cream Tea

Inviting: Mums, Grans, Significant females

Friday 28th 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 Wednesday
19th March*

*Please note, cream teas are
pre-order only.*

*We will be unable to provide
a cream tea on the day.*



EASTER EVENTS & COMPETITION



Easter Eggstravaganza

Friday 4th April 2025

Bring in your Easter Bonnet



Bring in your (Easter themed) Miniature Garden

Decorate a Boiled Egg (Easter themed) in school

Easter Raffle £1 a ticket
(purchase tickets through the Gateway)



THE LEARNING ZONE

SHARING OUR LEARNING AND A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHERS



Nursery (Squirrels & Hedgehogs)—Mrs Stapley

This week in the nursery, we have continued exploring the classic tale of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' through a variety of engaging activities that blend storytelling, creativity, and hands-on learning.

The children have created their own castles using different shapes and materials and in the garden we have been seeing how far we can throw the beanbags along the beanstalk!

The deadline for Nursery Summer Session Forms is Monday 17th March 2025

Just a reminder- make sure all clothes, drinks bottles and packed lunches are labelled. Thank you!

Below is a song we have been singing this week.

Have a wonderful weekend. The Nursery Team

Beanstalk Growing Tall (Farmers in his den)

Beanstalk growing tall, Beanstalk growing tall.

Swishy, swashy, swishy, swashy,

Beanstalk growing tall.

Reaching to the clouds, Reaching to the clouds.

Growing taller, growing taller,

Reaching to the clouds.



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Owls Class—Mrs Bourner

In Owls Class this week the children have continued with the theme of plants and growing and have avidly been watching their beanstalks grow. They learnt about seed dispersal on Tuesday and had fun making their own 'seed spinners,' investigating how far they could send their seeds in the breeze!

As part of our RE sequence, they enjoyed listening to the story of Dan the donkey's journey to Jerusalem.

In drawing club this week it has been animation week. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing in some of The Pink Panther's mischievous activities, using this as a theme for their own stories. Our vocabulary this week has been: reveal, splodge, clumsy, active, comical, oblivious and furious.

In maths, we have continued to focus on the number 10 this week, looking at numbers within 10, and thinking about how we can compose 10 in different ways.

We said a very sad goodbye to Grace and Ezra this week who are embarking on their new adventures abroad. We will miss you very much but look forward to hearing all about your new life in your new country.

We will be having a focus on tricky words as part of our phonics next week so any chance you get to practise those this weekend would really help. Have a lovely weekend Owls



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Year 1— Mrs Keast

On Monday this week, Year One had a great time at QE taking part in a dance workshop.

In Curious Quests we have been reading Julia Donaldson's *The Snail and the Whale*. We have been in character, thinking about what the snail might say in various parts of the story. We have drawn a map of the snail's journey and sent a postcard home to the other snails!

In Maths we completed our learning on place value to 50. We are now working on length and height which will include lots of fun practical activities.

Yesterday we had a visit from Kirsty Way and she put us through some vigorous physical exercises!

Next week we are looking forward to our trip to Exmoor Zoo and keeping our fingers crossed for some good weather.



Year 2—Mr Slocombe

Well done Year 2 on another great week!

Monday saw us visit QE in Crediton for dance workshops with Mr Gillon and Y9-11 sports ambassadors. We had a great time working alongside our Year 1 peers and learnt some new moves!

Yesterday, we enjoyed the visit from Kirsty Way, taking part in activities with her. Thank you to Mr Walter for organising this for us.

Meanwhile, English has involved writing our own '*Stuck!*' story. We have had some brilliant ideas from objects getting stuck in all sorts of places!

In maths, we have learnt about unit and non-unit fractions, consolidating our understanding of **numerator** and **denominator** whilst doing so.

Science saw us learning about the life cycle of plants, with some brilliant diagrams and explanations.

Today, we said farewell to Elijah, we wish him all the best for the move and will miss his presence in our class!

Have a lovely weekend and see you all on Monday!



THE LEARNING ZONE

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Year 3— Mrs Rowcliffe & Mrs Manning

Another great week has passed in year 3.

This week they have done some excellent research and learning about Kents Cavern, its formation, its creation and its use over the millennia.

They have also been working very hard to write their chronological reports in the style of The Great Fire of London.

In maths we continue to work with fractions, and hope to finish them next week.

We have continued to develop our core values and have been working on underpinning them in everything we do.



Year 4—Mr Walter

Firstly, well done to all of Year 4 for their fantastic engagement towards our Sports for Champions event yesterday. There were lots of smiles and amazing questions about the journey our athlete Kirsty Way had been on.

In English, our writing has been focussed on including prepositions to describe certain animals in paragraphs whilst also using apostrophes for contractions and possession.

In maths, we have been adding and subtracting fractions. Challenging ourselves by doing this with a whole number.

Our history learning explored the similarities and differences between holidays in the 20th century and today. Whereas in science we investigated the differences between size, pitch and volume.

Finally, it was lovely to get on the field in our cricket sequence to further develop our cricket skills in a game format, gaining understanding of when to run and stop.

Enjoy your weekend!



THE LEARNING ZONE

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Year 5— Mr Saltearn

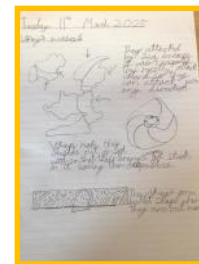
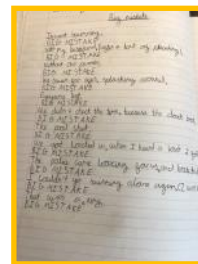
An exciting week in Year 5! In Maths we have been finding the perimeter and area of different shapes and have been challenging ourselves to find the area of compound shapes.

In English, we have continued our sequence using our book *Cloud Busting* and have been writing our own poems in the pattern of the book. We created our own BIG MISTAKE! poems. The children thought about a mistake that they had made and created a poem around that mistake. We have also been focusing on recapping events from the book and the children have created their own newspaper report about the "*diary disaster*."

In History, we have been learning about what made the Vikings successful in their invasion and have created our own information booklet detailing their tactics, inventions and resourcefulness'.

In PE, we have continued our sequences on cricket and badminton, the children have enjoyed focusing on different skills of the games and applying these into game situations. On Thursday the children really enjoyed Kirsty Way coming in and sharing her knowledge and skills with the children.

Have a great weekend Year 5.



Year 6—Miss McLean

Year six have put a lot of effort into their music lessons this week, learning to play a range of instruments ready for our Future Musicians event next week. On Thursday, the children enjoyed listening to our inspirational visitor and they challenged themselves to complete their sponsored circuits.

In English, we have looked at the four sentence types and apostrophe uses this week and have put them into practice when writing an argument between characters as well as a set of instructions.

In maths we have come to the end of the sequence on shape. The children have enjoyed this sequence of learning and the challenges of working mathematically with geometry. Our next sequence will be a statistics focus, learning about graphs, pie charts and finding the mean.

In history this week, the children wrote some fantastic diary entries from the perspective of an everyday person in the Shang Dynasty. They collected some research from the time period before writing a factually accurate piece of work. In science, the looked at the adaptations of animals and finally in PSHE today looked at money, thinking particularly about savings accounts and interest.

Have a wonderful weekend!



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 31st March 2025. Email your entry to 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 17th 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 |
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| Hot Option 1 | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Mild Chicken Curry & Rice | Honey Roast Gammon | Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce | Fish Fingers |
| Hot Option 2 | Golden Veggie Fingers | Cheese & Cauliflower Pasta Bake | Veggie Slice | Veggie Balls in a Tomato Sauce | Vegan Veggie Fritters |
| Served with | Herby Diced Potato Coleslaw or Sweetcorn | Broccoli | Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy | Pasta, Green Beans & Crusty Bread | Chips & Peas or Baked Beans |
| Jacket Potato | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans |
| Dessert | 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 |
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| Hot Option 1 | Macaroni Cheese | Butcher's Sausages & Gravy | Roast Pork & Apple Sauce | Beef Lasagne | Fillet of Fish |
| Hot Option 2 | Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake | Vegetarian Sausages & Gravy | Yorkshire Pudding Stuffed with Quorn Pieces | Vegetarian Lasagne | Veggie Nuggets |
| Served with | Broccoli & Garlic Bread | Mashed Potatoes & Carrots | Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Carrots Gravy | Green Beans or Coleslaw Crusty Bread | Chips & Peas or Baked Beans |
| Jacket Potato | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans |
| Dessert | 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 |
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| Hot Option 1 | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Fish Pie | Sausage Roast Sage & Onion Stuffing | Beef Bolognese | Fish Fingers |
| Hot Option 2 | Frittata | Cheesy Wheels & Herby Diced Potatoes | Quorn & Leek Pastry Puff | Mediterranean Vegetable Pasta | Margherita Wrap |
| Served with | 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 |
| Jacket Potato | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans | Cheese or Beans |
| Dessert | 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 | | | | | |

SOUTH WEST
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swnorse.co.uk

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

Wraparound Care for 2 to 11 year old's

Flexible before and after school care available
Monday to Friday during term time, with
breakfasts and snacks provided as well as fun
activities and games.

Everybody is welcome, from nursery to year 6.

Early Birds:

Breakfast club from 7.45am to 9am everyday

With breakfast £5.30 per session

Without Breakfast £4.30 per session

All Sorts:

After school club from 3.30pm to 6pm

3.30pm-4.30pm - £5.30

3.30pm - 5.00pm - £7.95

3.30pm - 5.30pm - £10.60

3.30pm - 6.00pm - £13.25

(After the Enrichment Club)

4.30pm - 5.00pm - £2.65

4.30pm - 5.30pm - £5.30

4.30pm - 6.00pm - £7.95

All sessions must be booked by 8.30am on the day via the Gateway

Tax-free childcare vouchers accepted

All Sorts After School Club 3.30pm - 6pm

Come and join us for fun and games after school every day during term time. Sessions available from 3.30pm - 6pm. £5.30 per hour. We have set activities available every day, but will adapt what's on offer depending on the child's preference. For example, art and crafts is always a Wednesday but can be provided any day of the week at the children's request. All sessions will include some outdoor play when possible. Snacks are available for those children staying after 4.30pm (except Thursday when we eat what we cook)

Book on the gateway via the clubs section

Monday
Construction
Club

Tuesday
Music &
Movement

Wednesday
Arts &
Craft

Thursday
Cooking

Friday
Fun &
Games

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...

| | |
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| 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>.



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