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AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Dates To Note

- 06.01 INSET day
- 07.01 Children back to school
- 15.01 Yr R Application Sep25 Deadline
- 15.01 Yr 3 Application Sep25 Deadline
- 15.01 Year 6 Bikeability
- 16.01 Census Day
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- 22.01 Parent forum
- 24.01 School Council Cluster Meeting
- 05.02 Yr 3 Stone Age Day
- 14.02 Last day of term
- 24.02 Children back to school
- 05.03 Parents Evening
- 05.03 Book Fair
- 06.03 Book Fair
- 06.03 World Book Day
- 07.03 Book Fair
- 11.03 Parents Evening
- 12.03 Parent Forum
- 18.03 Yr 6 SATS Meeting
- 19.03 Yr 5 Orchestra Unwrapped
- 31.03 Rock2TheBeat Concert
- 04.04 Last day of term

Please see our Diary Dates on the website for more information about events.

What We're Learning Next

- Year R : Happy Ever After
- Year 1 : London
- Year 2 : All Aboard
- Year 3 : Tribal Tales
- Year 4 : Magnificent Mountains
- Year 5 : Ruling Royals
- Year 6 : Where in the World

NOTICES

Bicycles and scooters must **NOT** be ridden on the school site. Parents and children must dismount at the school gate and walk from the gate to the bicycle storage.

Please bring in any **medication** you wish your child to have. We do not provide painkillers except in emergency situations. If your child needs paracetamol you will need to provide this and complete a form in the admin office.

All prescription medicines must include the packaging and pharmacy label.

(We cannot keep any over-the-counter ibuprofen in school due to allergies.)

Families using **Breakfast Club** must park outside the school gates, and not attempt access before 7:30am.



CELEBRATE OUR PUPILS' SUCCESSES



Leala Pollard danced beautifully in Blackpool and got to 2 finals of the 4 events she qualified for; both were partner events and she is very lucky to dance with a lovely boy - they got the following:
Runner up in the 'All England Finals for 10-12 years pairs in Rock and Roll'. Then Runner up in the 'All England Finals for 10- 12 years pairs in Freestyle

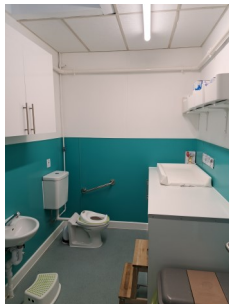


Site Improvements

We have recently created a new learning space called The Rainbow Room, with direct access to the courtyard play area. The Rainbow Room has been freshly decorated with a new floor, furniture, coat hooks for the children, and a special emotions rug. This room is being used for children who would not be able to thrive in a usual classroom environment and has been partly funded by a wonderful donation from Winklebury Legends.



We have also recently refreshed our Infant Medical Room into a multipurpose Bathroom and First Aid Room to accommodate our children with extra personal needs. This room has had a fresh burst of colour, new units, changing facilities, and a washing area.



The next room to be refreshed will be our Library. Reading is really important to us at Winklebury Federation and can help children in so many ways. As well as helping to expand their vocabulary, enhance knowledge and strengthening their writing abilities, it improves concentration, memory, imagination and creativity. Watch out for more competitions and fundraising news from Mrs McGookin and the Librarians.

PE Reminders

PE Days: Year R—Friday
Year 1— Tuesday and Thursday
Year 2—Monday and Wednesday
Year 3—Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 4—Thursday and Friday
Year 5—Monday and Thursday
Year 6—Tuesday and Friday

PE Kit is dark, plain shorts, joggers or tracksuit with a plain white t-shirt.

Helpful Websites

School Applications

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions>

School Emergency Closures:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/schoolclosures>

Our website:

<https://www.winkleburyfederation.co.uk>

Free School Meals Applications:

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants>

Highlights From The Last Half Term

Year 6 Residential



Our Year 6 children who went on Residential had an amazing time at the Gordon Brown Centre near Hook, doing activities such as a blindfold obstacle course, rafting, den building, climbing and archery. They stayed for 2 nights and made some amazing memories.

Harvest Collection and Children In Need Day



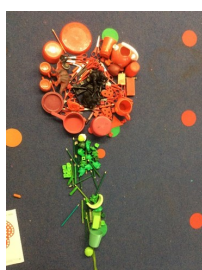
Thank you to all our families who donated food in our Harvest Week, which was collected by the Basingstoke Food Bank. They told us that you have donated 179.28kg of which is a fantastic total, equivalent to 427 individual meals!

We also raised a wonderful £310.65 for Children in Need in November across both schools. Thank you to everyone who donated.



Remembrance Sunday

Year R have been learning about Remembrance Day and why it is so important. We have been thinking about the brave service men and women who protected our country to keep us safe and those that still do. We have also learnt why a poppy is an important symbol. We also created our own poppies.





Highlights From The Last Half Term, continued.

Panto for Children

The children enjoyed watching Treasure Island brought to the school by Treehouse Theatre with much laughter and some very enthusiastic singing.



PAWS Christmas Fete

Thank you to PAWS for their wonderful Christmas Fete. It was so lovely of Father Christmas to stop in for a visit in his grotto! The PTA have raised over £1500 with this fete for the benefit of the school and we remain grateful for all their support.



Cranbourne Christmas Card Design Winners

Congratulations to Caitlyn, Viggo and Felix for winning Cranbourne Secondary School's Christmas Card Design Competition.

Christmas Jumper Day

We have raised over £140 to give to PAWS with our Christmas Jumper Day this year, and the children have come to school looking fabulously festive!



Highlights From The Last Half Term, continued.



Christmas Lunch

There were roast turkey and veggie dinners, crackers, music and teachers serving lunch to the children. It can only be Christmas Dinner Day!



Christmas Performances

Our children have acted their socks off with Ducklings and Year R performing Snowy Chums; Year 1 and 2 performing Humph The Camel; and Years 3 to 6 singing Carols Around The Tree. We've loved watching their shows with you, and we appreciated everyone coming into school to watch their children.



Choir Club

The choir has been busy this festive season! On Tuesday 10th December, KS1 and KS2 choir members sang for The Great Oaks Lunch Club at the Sycamore Centre. They appreciated their singing so much; they gave each child a little gift bag to say thank you. On Wednesday 11th December, our KS2 members of choir went to sing at Wickes and raised a total of £53.26 for our library and Wickes donated some paint too. Thank you, Wickes! Finally, on Thursday 12th December, our KS2 member of choir sang at Sovereign House to help their staff celebrate Christmas Jumper day. They were very generous and provided some festive nibbles and gave each child a selection box for their beautiful singing and for getting everyone into the festive spirit. Mrs Titchener is very proud of choir!



Does your child have an achievement you would like to share with the school? Do let us know as we would love to include this in our next newsletter!

