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SUMMER 2 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Dates To Note

- 03.09** START OF TERM
- 03.09** INSET DAY
- 04.09** Y1-6 Children return to school
- 04.09 Year R Home Visits
- 05.09 Year R Home Visits
- 08.09 Year R Home Visits
- 09.09 Year R Home Visits
- 10.09 Year R Half Day
- 11.09 Year R Half Day
- 12.09 Year R Half Day plus lunch
- 15.09 Year R Full Day
- 24.09 Welcome to Year R meeting
- 15.10 Individual School Photos
- 16.10 Y6 Trip - Gilbert White
- 27.10 Half term starts
- 03.11** INSET DAY
- 04.11** Children return to school
- 05.11 Y6 Residential - Gordon Brown
- 06.11 Y6 Residential - Gordon Brown
- 07.11 Y6 Residential - Gordon Brown
- 14.11 Children In Need Day
- 26.11 Christmas Panto
- 01.12 Flu Vaccinations
- 03.12 Year R Christmas Craft session
- 11.12 Christmas Jumper Day TBC
- 19.12 Last Day of Term

Dates marked ** are for selected pupils only.

Please see our website for more information about events.

Winklebury Federation are very proud to announce that we have been awarded the Platinum School Games Mark by demonstrating a sustained commitment to physical education, sport, and competition, achieving Gold awards for five consecutive years. This highest level of the national recognition program, launched in 2012, acknowledges schools that excel in providing inclusive and positive sporting experiences for their students.



What We're Learning Next

Ducklings :

Year R : All About Me / Time to Rhyme

Year 1 : Our School

Year 2 : A Is For Animals

Year 3 : By The Light Of The Moon

Year 4 : Here Be Dragons

Year 5 : Slimy Stuarts

Year 6 : Go With The Flow

PE Reminders

Year R—Monday + Friday **

Year 1— Tuesday + Thursday

Year 2—Monday + Wednesday

Year 3—Tuesday + Wednesday

Year 4—Thursday + Friday *

Year 5—Monday + Thursday

Year 6—Tuesday + Friday

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

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school to stay hydrated.

* Year 4 PE will be on Thursday in Autumn and Spring Terms, and on Wednesdays in Summer for Swimming Lessons.

** Year R PE will start after Autumn Half

Changeable Weather

Please do check the weather forecast and provide your child with a sunhat and apply sun-cream, or a waterproof coat as appropriate for the day's weather forecast.

CELEBRATE OUR PUPILS' SUCCESSES



Phoebe has competed for Team Winklebury for the last time. She competed in the final of the Schools Laser Run in Liverpool in very hot weather, we think the temperature on the track got up to around 35-38c! She came 9th overall, which was a great result considering the conditions.

On Sunday she competed in the World Laser Run qualifiers and came 10th following a fantastic shoot and run.



PAWS

What Are We Raising Money For?

We're building a **cabin-style space** for our *THRIVE* program — a crucial initiative supporting children's emotional well-being, confidence, and social development. This new space will:

- Offer a calm, safe environment for children who find the classroom challenging.
- Provide tools and guidance to help children manage emotions and build resilience.
- Enable us to support even more children who need a little extra help.

Together, we can create a haven where every child can grow, heal, and thrive.

Summer Holiday Clear Out? We Can Help!

We're accepting **donations of logo school uniform** - drop them off at reception.

Don't forget our **clothes recycling bin** located by the bike racks (between the junior and infant schools). You can donate clothes, shoes, and bags — proceeds go directly to our fundraising!

How You Can Help

Donate, volunteer, or spread the word to help us create this vital space. Every bit of support makes a difference.

Contact us on **PAWS FB** or email: winkleburypaws@hotmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support.

The PAWS Team



NOTICES

Please do name all clothing—we cannot return lost property if we do not know who it belongs to.

Scooters and Bicycles should always be pushed across the playground, and not ridden.

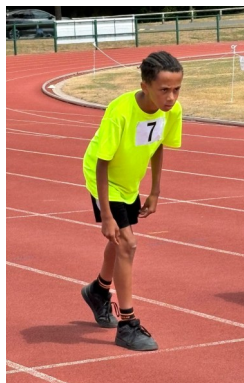
Dinner Money and Breakfast Club payments should be paid in advance, either with cash to the office or by card on Arbor.

If your child needs medicine during the school day, this must be handed in to the office, and a form completed. Please note that prescription medicines **must** be in the original box, with the information leaflet and the prescription label.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE LAST HALF TERM



The first PAWS Colour Run was a great success raising over £1000 and it was very much enjoyed by all. Thank you to all the PAWS volunteers for organising and running this event in the blazing summer sunshine.



A massive well done to our Year 6 Quad kids. They placed 10th overall in the Hampshire Finals. Amazing teamwork and so supportive of each other. Go Team Winklebury!!! We are extremely proud of you all. Special mention to Ariella for stepping in at the very last minute to replace an ill team member.



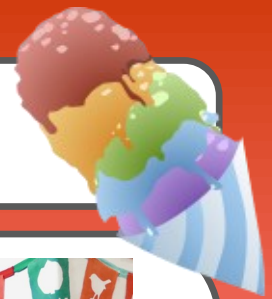
"What an incredible afternoon spent with these Year 5 and 6 children at the

Gymnastics Festival held at the Active Life Centre. They were an absolute joy to take out of school. So much fun was had by all. One moment that truly captured the spirit of the day was when a child turned to me and said: "This is the best day of my life." "

Year 6 were involved in a county wide project called "Small Worlds", where we looked at our local environment and thought about sustainability and changes we could make. This has culminated in an art exhibition in Winchester Art Gallery. It has work from children across the county and is free of charge and open until 16th August.



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What a fantastic two evenings at the Basingstoke Primary Schools Music Festival!

We are incredibly proud of our dancers, many of whom stepped out of their comfort zones and truly challenged themselves this year.

They demonstrated outstanding dedication through three months of early morning rehearsals and as well as practice at home. Of course, we mustn't forget our wonderful choir and narrator's, who also did us proud with their beautiful performances!



Some of our Year 3 children made it into the Basingstoke Gazette!

'A big shout out to the children and staff at Winklebury School and The Arts Society Basingstoke North Hants for Friday's celebration of this fantastic project. 'All our futures', now on display at The Willis Museum and Sainsbury Gallery until August.

The exhibition showcases the ongoing work The Arts Society supports in schools and colleges in Basingstoke. Not only do they financially support materials and artists they also volunteer their time, which allows for significantly more ambitious projects. They are so passionate about ensuring the next generation get opportunities for creativity.

'All our futures' worked with over 100 children ages seven to nine years old to explore their school's green spaces to find out what non human life lives there. They worked with textiles artist, Vanessa Rolf and the Wildlife Trust and they celebrated their findings by creating this artwork that will return to their classrooms for permanent display and can be used for school celebrations too with the hope of growing awareness of the biodiversity of often overlooked urban green spaces.

This is Ducklings Nursery Class doing an activity called write dance- listening to the music and expressing themselves through drawing, or the story-telling from the grown-ups during Arts Week.



We have recently bought a set of Drumba drums and the music and videos that go with this to add an exciting new PE provision using music and motion to give a whole body activity. The children are loving making a good noise with the



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We had a Dance Workshop Day in both schools.

Each year group learnt a routine with Meraki Dance Studios which they then performed at the end of their session.



Cranbourne Secondary School visited in June to share a Drumming Workshop with us. The children learnt to play some African drums to traditional songs.



Our Sensory Room has had an upgrade this term with a new blizzard lamp, fibre optics, and sensory interactive boards. This room benefits from Arctic air-conditioning so has been a refuge for some of our children with extra needs to help them regulate in this recent hot weather. The ball pit is a new addition to the space and the children have very much enjoyed being in there.

