

The Winton Warbler

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**ONLINE BOOKINGS FOR CHARTWELLS MEALS OPENS ON MONDAY
28TH JULY dorset.mealselector.co.uk**

**LAST DATE TO ORDER MEALS FOR FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL IS
MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY 17TH AUGUST**

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Review of the year

At the end of the academic year, it is always good to look back at the year and there is a huge amount for us to be proud of as a school community. We have seen children be successful across the curriculum and in a wide range of areas. We recently saw the Year 6 performance of Peter Pan which was a lovely final project for our leavers to work on, and they produced a brilliant performance. This week we also saw about 100 children perform in the music concert showcasing their instrumental work through the year. They showed bravery and a cool head to perform in front of a large audience – some excellent individual and group performances that reflect an awful lot of hard work. These are just a few examples there are lots of successes across a range of areas that we could highlight.

School performance

Collectively children have done well across the school, and performance in the Early Years Foundation Stage and Year 1 phonic screen was above national averages and reflected good progress for those cohorts. Children in Year 4 did similarly well in the Multiplication Check, performing well compared to national averages. Our Year 6 children excelled themselves in their SAT tests and a summary table of all this data is shown below

Key Results - 2024-2025					
Assessment	Statistic	Cohort	School Result	National Comparison	National Result
KS2 Reading, Writing & Maths combined	% of pupils achieving the expected standard	120	88%	🔵 Above (significant)	62%
KS2 Reading, Writing & Maths combined	% of pupils achieving the higher standard	120	29%	🔵 Above (significant)	8%
Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)	% of pupils scoring full marks (25/25)	120	57%	🔵 Above (significant)	~ 38%
Phonics Screening Check	% of pupils passing in Year 1	120	88%	🔵 Above (significant)	~ 80%
Early Years Foundation Stage	% of pupils achieving a Good Level of Development	120	74%	🟢 At or above	~ 69%

Key Stage 2 Results

Subject	Statistic	School	National
Reading, Writing and Maths Combined	% achieving the expected standard	88%	62%
Reading, Writing and Maths Combined	% achieving the higher standard	29%	8%
Reading	% achieving the expected standard	89%	75%
Reading	% achieving the higher standard	53%	33%
Writing	% achieving the expected standard	91%	72%
Writing	% achieving the higher standard	41%	13%
Maths	% achieving the expected standard	93%	74%
Maths	% achieving the higher standard	48%	26%
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	% achieving the expected standard	86%	73%
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	% achieving the higher standard	52%	30%

A balanced curriculum – looking forward

Children are much more than what they achieve in exams and we always strive to ensure our curriculum is not narrowed to just the core subjects. We believe pupils thrive when they have a broad and balanced curriculum that engages them, and a school experience they enjoy. That is why we consider activities and experiences in all areas being of a high quality and allowing children to show their talents. As we look to next year we are developing and changing our curriculum to further improve the experiences we offer children and the information we share with parents. More information will follow in the new year.

Staffing Changes

As you are aware, there are a number of changes for next year. Mr Hart, Assistant Headteacher leaves us to take up a new challenge in a leadership role in a school in Kenya. He has been a much-valued member of the community for a number of years and we wish him well as he and his family make an exciting change to their lives! Staff and parents collaborated to present him with some vouchers that he will be able to use at a café he likes in Kenya and to buy some items for the family move.



Mrs Lord retires after 26 years of service at Winton Primary. She started her time at Winton as a teaching assistant before becoming a teacher. Over the years she has been hugely respected as a teacher who knows her pupils exceptionally well, helping them to thrive in school and she will be much missed in our school community. We thank her for the excellent work she has done over a prolonged period and wish her every happiness in retirement. The collection ensured we were able to present her with some garden furniture to help her enjoy her retirement!

Mrs Roberts leaves us, following her maternity leave, as she takes up a new role in a local school and will also be spending some time with her young family. Mrs Roberts has been an excellent teacher and year leader during her 10 years at Winton, good luck for the future!

Mr Crowter is moving to a promotion at a local school. He has made a marked contribution to the Winton community and will always be remembered for the outstanding Lion King and Shrek performances that he directed. His enthusiasm for the performing arts has improved our curriculum offer and his contribution will be missed but we wish him every success in his new role.

Mrs G Davies is on a sabbatical next year, and we look forward to welcoming her back to Winton in September 2026.

Miss Thomson is moving to a new role in another local school, and we are grateful for all her hard work during this academic year and wish her well for the future.

Miss Bache is getting married over the summer and will be Mrs Nichols next year. We wish Mr & Mrs Nichols every happiness in their married life together!

Big thanks to Mr Magrath who is retiring after years of supply teaching in school, he has been a reliable cover teacher for Winton over a number of years. Thanks also to Mr Wallace for all his work this year.

Year 6 Leavers

Several of the highlights of the year have been down to our Year 6 pupils, who will now move on to secondary school. They achieved well in their SATs but achieved so much more than that during their time here. They have been a lovely cohort of pupils to have in school and this year they have set an excellent example to younger pupils whilst top of the school. They took on a variety of leadership roles and have really enhanced the school community. We wish them every success in the next stage of their education, and we look forward to hearing of their future success.

My Grateful Thanks

As I move to the Director of Primary role in the new year, I will still be responsible for the school and will be a familiar face around the school during the year! However not being Headteacher any longer will be a big change! Reflecting on my time here at Winton I am hugely grateful for the opportunity that leading this very special school has given me. When I arrived in 2012 the school was graded as requires improvement but the potential that Winton offered was obvious from my first day. Many headteachers do not get the opportunity to work with such motivated and engaged pupils and such a supportive community and for this I am genuinely grateful. I was lucky that the school was expanding to double in size and over the first few years we were able to rebuild and extend the school. This allowed us to have the physical and staffing resource that we wanted. Our vision was to create a primary school feel but with many of the advantages of being a bigger school, such as specialist teachers. Most headteachers don't get the opportunity to build the school and realise their vision – most have to work with the school they inherit. The circumstances came together perfectly and have given us a fantastic opportunity. The support of a brilliant staff team, our families and the local community made a significant contribution to realising the vision and I am confident, as I take a small step away, that the school will go from strength to strength. I'm excited to see the improvements that new leadership will bring and am thankful I will get to see these changes first hand. It has been a real privilege working here for the last 13 years and I wish the school, and all of the individuals connected to it every success for the future.

Many thanks for all your support this year. We wish all our families an enjoyable and restful summer break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school in September.



Mr Neil Tarchetti
Headteacher



CHARTWELLS – UPDATE TO MEAL PRICE AND AUTUMN TERM ORDER DATES

Due to the increased cost of food ingredients, please be advised that from September, the charge for a Chartwells meal will rise by 5pm from £2.95 to £3.

Please order meals for September after Monday 28th July at <https://dorset.mealselector.co.uk/>
Waiting until this date allows Chartwells to update their class lists ready for the new year.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ORDERS FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF THE AUTUMN TERM MUST BE PLACED BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY 17TH AUGUST



FINAL FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone across the school community who has raised money for our chosen charity, the Steve Bernard Foundation, this academic year. On Monday, we welcomed Tony from the charity, and we told him about all the fundraising events that have taken place individually and as a whole school this year. Our Fundraising Reps revealed whether we had been able to reach our ambitious goal of £5000... We are delighted to say that thanks to you all, we did it! Our final total raised was £5044.99!

Here is some information about what the Steve Bernard Foundation has helped to do in the last few weeks alone, and what our money may go towards in the future:

- Funded a coach for the Dorset Demons Wheelchair Basketball Club
- Provided skateboards and safety equipment for a school in Dorset
- Agreed to buy a trampoline for Bourne2Bounce trampoline club
- Bought BMX equipment for a young rider in Poole
- Supported a girl with a disability become a sports coach
- Enabled a football club player to take their coaching badges
- Bought a set of bowls for a young promising bowler
- Purchased a football kit for an U16 football club
- Bought Pickleball bats and balls for LeAf Studios School and Oak Academy
- Bought kit and equipment for young carers
- Sent out kits to South Africa

Finally, you have all played a part in raising funds that will go towards a future project that the Steve Bernard Foundation are creating - A Fitness Park and Nature Trail on the clifftop by the beach! You will be able to use it too!

This will be used by the whole community and educate people around the diversity of species of animals and insects we have by the coast. There will even be a special sign with Winton Primary School on it.

All this is possible because of YOU!

Thank you for everything you have done this year!

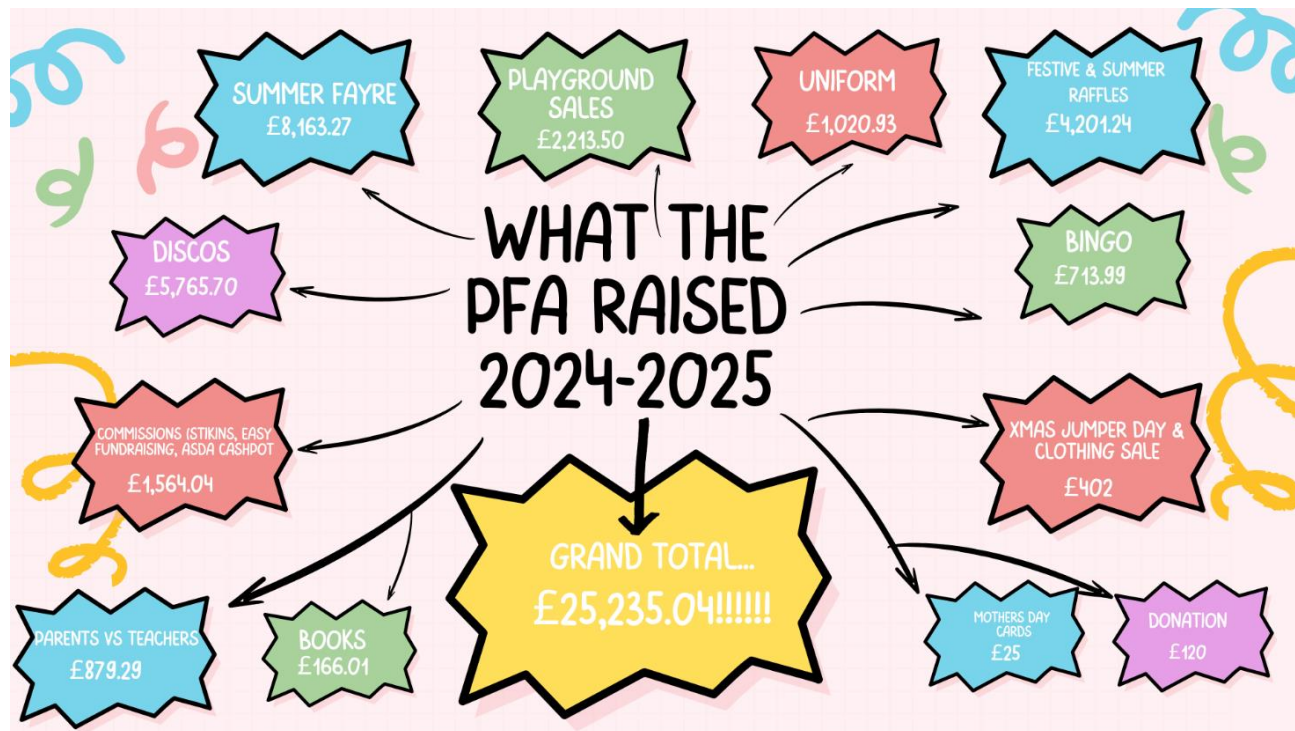
From the Fundraising Team

PFA Information

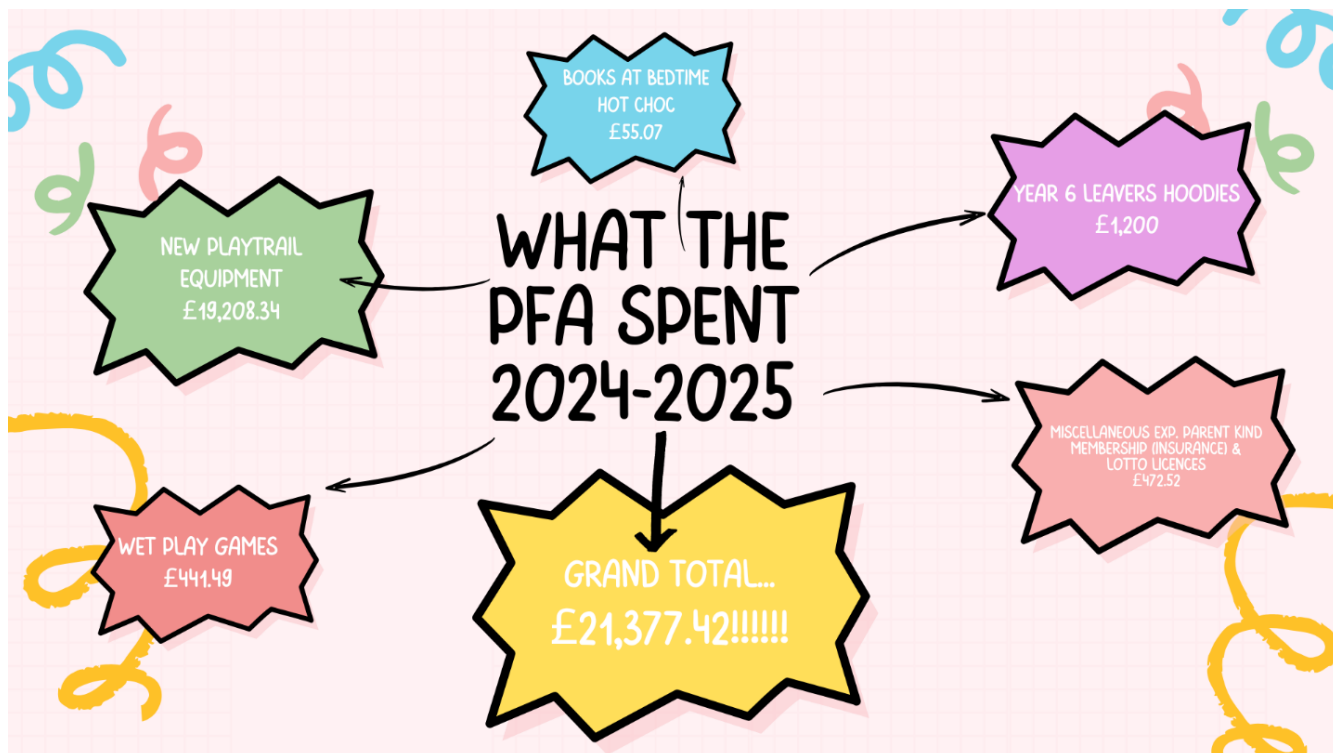
We have had an absolutely incredible year of fundraising, we raised a very impressive sum in excess of £25,000 for the year! WOW!

The brainstorm image shows where we have raised our monies throughout the school year, which includes a fantastic £2,800 raised at last week's discos.

We are sure you will agree - it has been an amazing year !



The amazing fundraising enabled us to reach our end target of paying in full for the playground equipment, which we are so looking forward to seeing in September - we are sure, as the children chose the equipment, they are going to absolutely love their play times using it! We also purchased the wet play games for all 28 classes, which we managed to do at a very thrifty price having also received some amazing nearly new games donations from the School Community. We also, as always, contributed £1,200 towards the Year 6 Leavers Hoodies.



We are also very excited about a new big purchase we will be making next year! Watch this space for the big reveal, and also for details of what we will be fundraising for next.



We want to again thank everybody for their support throughout the year; coming along to events and spending money. And also a big big Thank you to everyone involved and who has helped with the PFA in the year.

As you can see everything we achieve benefits all the children of the school and without helpers we cannot run all of the events. The more helpers we have the more events we can run, and we would love more people to be involved.

Even if you can only help with one playground sale in the year, or helping sort donated school uniform, all help is appreciated.

Please get in touch if you think you can provide any time next year to help us 😊
Get in contact via our Facebook Page or email: PFA@wintonprimary.uk .



On top of the above mentioned figures, the Winton Vs Kingsleigh Football match this week bought us in an additional £300. The event had a great turnout and ended as a 5-5 draw, which was very lucky for Mr Hart as he was playing on both sides !

DATE FOR THE DIARY - PFA AGM (Annual General Meeting)

More details will be provided in the new school year, but the PFA AGM will be on Tuesday 23rd September (approx 6.30pm - to be confirmed).
Please pop the date in the diary - Everyone welcome, the more the merrier!

Save
the
Date

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