



Welcome to Winton Primary School

The Winton Warbler

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Welcome Back!

We're so pleased to welcome everyone back to school for the start of a new academic year! It's been a real joy to see the children returning with such enthusiasm and settling so quickly into their new classes. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break and are feeling ready for the exciting year ahead.

We're delighted to welcome several new members to our school community: Mrs Dixon, Mrs Thomas, Miss Duval, Miss Usher, Miss Boiston, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Goodman and Miss North. We also send our warmest congratulations to Miss Bache, who got married over the summer and is now known as Mrs Nichols.

This year, our phase leaders will be:

Reception – Mrs Nightingale and Mrs Butler (deputy headteachers)

Years 1 & 2 – Mrs Grant (assistant headteacher)

Years 3 & 4 – Mrs Gray (assistant headteacher)

Years 5 & 6 – Miss Marshall (assistant headteacher)

Over the first two weeks, children in Years 1 to 6 will be engaging in a range of creative, practical, and written activities. These will not only help them settle into their new classes and build relationships but also contribute to the beautiful displays we'll be showcasing around the school. This gentle start allows children to feel confident and comfortable before we move into the full timetable of lessons from Week 3. We've found this approach to be a really positive way to begin the year, and we hope your child is already feeling happy and at home in their new environment.

A Special Welcome to Our New Reception Families

We're thrilled to welcome our new Reception children and their families to Winton Primary! It's a real pleasure to have you join our school community and we hope the coming weeks will be filled with happy moments as your child settles into school life. Starting school is a big milestone and we're here to support you every step of the way. We look forward to building a strong partnership with you and hope this marks the beginning of a long, happy and successful journey at Winton.

Curriculum Update at Winton

Over the past academic year, we've been working hard to review and enhance our Winton Curriculum to ensure it continues to meet the needs of all our learners. As a result of these updates, you may notice some changes in the curriculum information sheet that will be sent home shortly.

This sheet will give a clear outline of what your child will be learning this term. We hope you find it helpful and informative as we continue to strengthen our curriculum and provide the very best learning experiences for your child. In the coming weeks, we'll be sharing more details about our curriculum—both through communications sent home and via our school website. We're proud of the improvements we've made and look forward to helping you stay informed and involved in your child's learning journey.

Mrs James – Headteacher



CLUBS

Before and after school clubs for years 1 to 6 will start week commencing Monday 15th September (with a couple of exceptions). More information about the clubs will be sent to you in a separate clubs newsletter in the coming days, so please keep an eye on your emails as the booking window will open next week. **As always, we**

remind parents to read all the information in the clubs newsletter before making any bookings. Parents who book more than one booking in the first booking window will have all their bookings removed.

TAPESTRY (RECEPTION AND YEAR 1)

For parents of children in Year 1, please note that Tapestry is only used for Reception so you will no longer be able to access your child's account.

For parents of children in Reception, access to Tapestry will commence in the next 2 weeks. We will keep you updated via email and the newsletter.



YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION REMINDER



Parents of children in Year 6 are reminded that the application process for secondary school places has now opened and the deadline to make your application is 31st October. Applications can be made online at <https://www.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/apply-for-a-secondary-or-upper-school-place>

If you would like a paper form to complete, please ask the school office. If you require support completing your application, either online or via the paper form, please contact the school office who will be happy to arrange a convenient time for this.

PE DAYS

An email was sent to all parents and carers on 3rd September detailing the PE days for the first two weeks of term, please check the Dates to Remember section for confirmation of these. From Monday 15th September, the normal PE timetable will commence. Please note your child's PE days and send them into school in their PE kit (with school shoes – trainers should remain in school) on their PE day.



Monday	Year 6
Tuesday	Reception and Year 3
Wednesday	Year 4 and Year 5
Thursday	Year 1 and Year 2



CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Each class will have a class assembly during the school year, which parents and carers are invited to attend. Most assemblies take place at 2.45pm in the Small Hall and parents should enter through the middle gates from the main car park.

The dates for the coming weeks will feature in the Dates to Remember section in the newsletter but the full list can be found in the [Term Dates](#) section on our website.

NUT FREE SCHOOL REMINDER

This is a reminder that owing to a number of children suffering from life threatening allergies to nuts, we are a nut free school. Please do not send your child to school with any snacks or lunchbox items containing nuts. This includes peanut butter, Nutella or similar style chocolate spread, and cereal or biscuit bars containing nuts.

Thank you for working with us to keep the children safe.



PFA Information

PFA Annual General Meeting - Everyone Welcome!



Tuesday 23rd September 6.30-7.30pm - PFA AGM - Held at School

What is the PFA? The Parents & Friends Association is run by parents and friends to raise additional funds for the school. The PFA organise events such as the Summer Fayre, School Discos, Raffles, Playground sales, Bingo, Quiz Nights, preloved uniform, book sales & more.

At the AGM we will:

- ✚ Have a brief discussion on last year's accounts - what money we raised and what we spent money on.
- ✚ Election of the committee members: Chairman, Treasurer & Secretary.
- ✚ Discuss fundraising targets for the year ahead with Mrs James and discuss events which we would like to hold.

We really do need you and we would ideally love to have representatives for each year group. You don't need to be able to commit lots of hours, just as many as you have spare!

Maybe you have some ideas of what we could do as extra or even improve on what we do? Perhaps you could volunteer at a couple of events during the year or can help with the pre-loved uniform selling? Any help is gratefully received.

If any of the main roles are of interest (Chairman, Treasurer or Secretary) please come along or email pfa@wintonprimary.uk ahead of the meeting for more details.

Everyone is welcome. We would love to see as many people as possible.



A reminder that we collect second hand uniform via the laundry bin in the school office. We have had an amazing amount of donations since the return to school, thank you. Just a polite reminder that if the clothes are ripped or stained, they can be placed in the recycling bin in the car park: we will only re-sell the good quality items.

If you need uniform, we do hold regular sales which will be advertised via the Newsletter and on Facebook.

However, you can also come and find us most days at the PFA shed. If you see the shed doors open just come and see us and we will see if we have what you need. We are usually there from 3pm to the pick-up bell - we are unable to stay later as we have children to collect, and the gates are locked promptly by staff for security. If you cannot make it in person, please get in touch via our email address.

DATES TO REMEMBER	
SEPTEMBER	
Tuesday 9th	Year 2 PE Day (wear PE kit to school)
Wednesday 10th	Year 4 PE Day (wear PE kit to school)
Thursday 11th	Year 1 PE Day (wear PE kit to school)
Friday 12th	Karate Club starts (for those with confirmed places)

DATES TO REMEMBER CONTINUED	
SEPTEMBER	
Monday 15th	Start of normal PE Day schedule (see above)
	Start of before and after school clubs (more details to follow)
Tuesday 16th	6EG Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Small Hall - enter through courtyard gates
Tuesday 23rd	6SK Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Main Hall - enter through front door
	PFA AGM - Everyone welcome! - 6.30 - 7.30pm - enter through front door
Monday 29th	Year 6 Residential to Osmington Bay (children arrive at normal time)
Tuesday 30th	5HE Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Small Hall - enter through courtyard gates
	Year 6 Residential to Osmington Bay
OCTOBER	
Wednesday 1st	Year 6 - Children return from Osmington Bay (normal collection time)
Thursday 2nd	Individual and Sibling School Photos (more details to follow)
Friday 3rd	Individual and Sibling School Photos (more details to follow)
Tuesday 7th	6EH Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Small Hall - enter through courtyard gates)
Tuesday 14th	6MS Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Small Hall - enter through courtyard gates
Sunday 19th	Deadline to order hot meals for after the half term holiday
Tuesday 21st	1NB Class Assembly - 2.45pm - Small Hall - enter through courtyard gates
Friday 24th	INSET Day - children do not attend school
Monday 27th to Friday 31st	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
NOVEMBER	
Monday 3rd	INSET Day - children do not attend school
Tuesday 4th	Children return to school after holidays