



Winkfield St Mary's C of E Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2020



'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Dear parents,

There has been lots to be proud of this week in school – I hope that you have seen our Y1 children presenting their Geography learning on our Facebook page. Hopefully Bracknell Forest will take note of their suggestions!

I felt very proud to take two teams of two Y4 children to the Eagle House Spelling Bee for the first time. The competition consisted of 9 rounds each based on a different word type problem – including spelling of course! You can see the sort of problems by going to the Spell it! Challenges tab on <https://dcbeagle.com/>. The children were very motivated and tried their hardest in every round, maintaining good focus for the whole 90 minutes. There were 36 teams competing and our teams came a very creditable 16th and 27th. Well done team Winkfield!

The Governors thoroughly enjoyed their half termly visit on Monday. They focussed on our work in History, seeing some lessons, looking in the books and talking to pupils. They were very pleased to see and hear the increased enthusiasm and history skill level – our new approach is working well and leading to higher quality work and thinking.

PTA Quiz

This is a last shout out for the PTA Quiz tonight, 7.30 for 8 at Carnation Hall. This is a great evening – the staff team really enjoyed it last year and are looking forward to taking you all on tonight. Unfortunately ticket sales are not as high as last year, so if you want to make up at last minute team, do come along and have a fun time! <https://www.winkfieldstmaryspta.com/>

Coming up

We are excited to be holding our very first Oracy Day on Monday. Whilst we have worked successfully to develop Oracy skill across the school, we wanted to capitalise on this by devoting a whole day to Oracy skills. Our focus will be on presentational talk and the skills involved in this, including eg a debate.

Tuesday – Y1/2 reptile visitor.

Tuesday – Safer Internet Day. We will be focussing on this important area all week and suggest that parents also take the opportunity to review this with children at home. There are lots of resources and support on this topic on our website: <https://winkfield.schooljotter2.com/parents/parents-1/online-safety>

If you have any second hand uniform or would like some, there is a Facebook group called WSM Uniform Recycling where you can join. Also year 5/6 parents are wondering if anyone has any Greek costumes that maybe could also be advertised on the group as they have their Greek day after half term on Monday 24th February. Many thanks.

J Evans

Miss J Evans
Headteacher

Star of the Week and Attendance

Reception	Freya	The attendance award went to Year 4 with 98% and the lunchtime Star of the Week is Benjamin S in year 2
Year 1	Melody	
Year 2	Summer	
Year 3	Ben	
Year 4	Lucas	
Year 5	Ellis	
Year 6	Usmi	

Orator of the Week

Reception	Olivia
Year 1	Theo D
Year 2	Alorah
Year 3	Grace
Year 4	Seraphina
Year 5	Will
Year 6	Matteo

Diary Dates

Monday 10th February	Whole School Oracy Focus Day
Tuesday 11th February	Reptile visitor Years 1/2
Wednesday 12th February	Year 5 Girls Maths Marathon
Friday 14th February	Year 6 Lambrook swimming starts
Monday 17th —Friday 21st February	HALF TERM
Monday 24th February	Year 5/6 Ancient Greek Day
Wednesday 26th February	Year 3/4 Trip
Wednesday 26th February	Bag 2 School Collection
Wednesday 26th February	Reception Parents' Evening
Thursday 27th February	Reception Parents' Evening
Thursday 27th February	Football Match vs Newbold School—Away
Friday 28th February	Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics
Wednesday 4th March	Years 1-6 Parents' Evening
Thursday 5th March	Years 1-6 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 10th March	Netball Match
Thursday 12th March	Year 5 PGL Parents' Meeting 9am
Thursday 12th March	Girls Football Competition
Thursday 12th March	Football Match vs St Michael's Easthampstead—Away
Friday 13th March	Year 3/4 to Lambrook—Author presentation
Friday 20th March	PTA Mother's Day Gifts
Tuesday 31st March	Year 3/4 Trip
Wednesday 1st April	KS1 Multi Sports Festival—am
Wednesday 1st April	Easter Service 2pm
Friday 3rd April	SPRING TERM ENDS 2pm
Monday 20th April	SUMMER TERM STARTS
Friday 8th May	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 18th May	Class Photos
Friday 22nd May	Inset Day — School closed
Monday 25th —Friday 29th May	HALF TERM
Monday 1st June	Inset Day — School closed
Wednesday 3rd June	Year 3 & 4 Trip
Wednesday 3rd June	Bag 2 School Collection
10th—12th June	Year 6 Bikeability Training
Friday 3rd July	Bracknell Forest Swimming Gala