



# Winns Weekly



Dear Families,

It has been so lovely to see so many of you in and around school recently. Whether for workshops, of which we have had many in the past few weeks, class assemblies or just on the playground at home-time. Things are getting back to normal once more and we welcome your continued support along the way. We are looking forward to a busy calendar over the next few weeks. We have more class assemblies planned and we have just published the schedule for Christmas performances and class parties. We also have the Winns Winter Fair to look forward too as well. Organised by The Friends of The Winns, this extravaganza, will include festive favourites like the chocolate tombola, a raffle with some fantastic prizes on offer and a feast of other activities to keep you entertained, with all proceeds going towards the school.

Last week we took part in Waltham Forest's Climate Summit, with a visit from Poppy Flint, an outreach climate coordinator who shared with us the many practical ways we can do our bit to save our planet. We got things underway with our very own 'waste free' lunchtime and later in the week, worked on making pledges to help sustain the planet - you can see some of these later in this newsletter.

Children have also resumed learning outside the classroom, with trips to the London Aquarium and the Museum of London Docklands. Other trips are planned and we will notify parents as and when these come along. In the meantime, keep a lookout for text and email updates and have a great week. Thank you.

## Christmas Performances 2021

We have recently published dates for upcoming Christmas performances and year group parties. Please see below for a full timetable of events. The **Nursery Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday 15th December 2021 at 2.45pm** in Green Hall. All performances will take place in Green Hall and should last approximately 30 minutes. For morning performances, please make your way to Green Hall via the playground or main office. For afternoon performances, please come through the main school office. Christmas parties are being held for Years Nursery, 1, 3 & 5 on Tuesday 14th December and R, 2, 4 & 6 on Wednesday 15th December. Children will have Christmas dinner on Thursday 16th December.

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9:10am		Reception Christmas Concert	Year 1 Christmas Concert		Year 2 Christmas Concert	Year 3 Christmas Concert	Year 4 Christmas Concert	Year 6 Christmas Concert
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## Important Dates:

**Year 6 Cycle Training:** W/C 15th November

**Children in Need - Spotty Day:** Friday 19th November

**Class assemblies:** 6PB (17th Nov), 4KB (24th Nov), 5EP (1st Dec) & 6AM (8th Dec)

**Christmas Concerts begin:** Wednesday 8th December

**The Winns Winter Fair:** Saturday 11th December (11am - 3pm)

**Last day of Autumn term:** Friday 17th December

**First day of Spring term:** Wednesday 5th January 2022



# The Winns Winter Fair

SATURDAY  
11 DEC



To get us in the seasonal mood, The Friends of The Winns are organising a Winns Winter Fair, aimed at raising funds for the school. This exciting event will take place on Saturday 11th December between 11am and 3pm.



There will be lots of amazing stalls with fun activities and some tasty treats. The Winns Choir will also be performing some festive favourites as well. Of course, there will be mince pies and mulled wine to get us all in the mood. We are keeping fingers crossed that we have dry weather, but we have a plan to move into the halls in the event that we don't.

This will be the first event of this size for some time and we are looking forward to celebrating with all our families. We will have members of staff lending a hand and would welcome volunteers as well to help set up, run stalls and clear up afterwards. We will send out more information over the next few weeks.



11-3PM | FOOD | MUSIC  
CRAFTS & STALLS | & MULLED WINE | FESTIVE RAFFLE & MUCH MORE

THE WINNS PRIMARY SCHOOL, FLEEMING RD, E17 5ET

## BBC Children in Need

This year we are proud supporters of BBC Children in Need. Fundraising brings out the best in us. It's our chance to shine, to step up, to do whatever we can to help change the lives of disadvantaged children and young people across the UK. On Friday 19th November, children and staff will be asked to wear their spottiest outfit for the day to raise lots of money for this great cause. A £1 donation is all we ask. No need to buy anything new, just dig out an old t-shirt and paint some spots on it, or borrow something spotty from a family member. We look forward to seeing spots before our eyes on Friday!



## 2021 Poppy Appeal

Last week we were proud to support the 2021 Royal British Legion national Poppy Appeal. The children learnt about poppies in assembly, and the school sold poppy merchandise to support the charity.

We are yet to hear from the charity the exact amount raised, but we are grateful and proud for all the donations made by our families. Thank you for your efforts in supporting this deserving cause!



# COP26 Conference on Climate Change



Whether it's by recycling, composting, walking to school, using a re-usable water bottle or turning the lights off when leaving a room, at The Winns we are already making our pledges to save our world. As you can see, the whole school is working towards real change. We hope that policy-makers get on board and commit to real change too!



## Year 6 Athletics Meet

Year 6 children were in action once again last week at a North London athletics meeting. Schools from across the borough took part in a series of competitive disciplines and collected points along the way. As always, our children put in a great effort and were rewarded with a good points score. There are a series of meetings scheduled and we look forward to seeing how we progress with these. Well done everyone!



## Year 6 Trip to London's Docklands

Last week our Year 6 children visited the Museum of Docklands in Canary Wharf. This trip supported learning in two of the Year 6 history units being taught this year, (Twentieth Century Conflict and Civil Rights) as well as our geography unit on Globalisation.

The children learnt lots about a range of inventions used for mass production during the Industrial Revolution and a variety of shelters used during WWI and WWII. The interactive treadwheel at the museum, however, whereby children manually walk inside a wooden wheel in order to activate a lever to raise cargo that would have contained either cheese or wine imported from France, was probably the main attraction. This technological innovation gave a whole new enjoyable 'spin' on what child-labour really would have been like during the Industrial Revolution.

