



WINNS WEEKLY

29.11.2024

Kalofsh një
fundjavë të mirë!

Albanian
Have a good weekend!



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DATES FOR DIARIES WB 2.12.2024

Tuesday 3rd December	Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop
Wednesday 4th December	4EB British Museum Trip
	Nursery Christmas Concert (2:45pm)
Thursday 5th December	4KB & 4MH British Museum Trip
	Reception Christmas Concert (2:45pm)
Friday 6th December	Reception Christmas Concert (9:10am)

Please remember to subscribe to [our online calendar](#) so that you receive automatic updates into your own calendar.



NSPCC VISIT: SPEAK OUT STAY SAFE ASSEMBLIES

This week, we were delighted to welcome the NSPCC to our school to deliver their impactful Speak Out Stay Safe assemblies to all our children. These sessions are a vital part of our commitment to safeguarding and empowering our pupils. Through age-appropriate, engaging presentations, the NSPCC team, joined by their friendly mascot, Buddy, taught children how to recognize abuse, understand their rights, and know how to seek help from trusted adults. The message was clear and simple: every child has the right to feel safe and speak out about any worries they might have.

These assemblies reinforce our ongoing work to create a safe and supportive environment for every child. We encourage families to continue these important conversations at home. If you'd like more information about the NSPCC's work or the Speak Out Stay Safe program, please visit their website at nspcc.org.uk.



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KS1 SPORTSHALL

Well done to our final set of Sportshall athletes to compete in the WF School Games events over the last few weeks. Last Tuesday was the turn of year 2 who jumped, ran, bounced, skipped and threw their way through a carousel of activities as a team. We now wait for the results to be totalled from all of the different sessions before we find out our final placings. Well done everyone who took part!

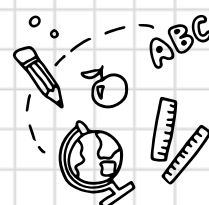


Y3 COOKING LESSONS

Year 3 have this week been using the D.T. kitchen as part of their project this half term, to design and make a sweet or savoury puff pastry item. All of the children had the chance to taste test their ingredient before making decisions ahead of their time in the kitchen. Now the children have made their product, they will spend time evaluating what they have done. Well done year 3!

RECEPTION APPLICATIONS REMINDER

Please do not forget to apply for your child's September 2025 Reception place. If you have a child born between 01.09.20-31.08.21 they are eligible to start Reception in September 2025. The deadline for this application is JANUARY 15th 2025. Applications can be done now. Please apply via the admission website: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk>. If you require any assistance with this application please speak to a member of staff.



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THANK YOU TREE AMIGOS!

Thank you to Tree Amigos in Lloyd Park for the donation of our Christmas tree again this year. Look out for the tree in the foyer area near the main office when it is decorated next week!

Y5 & 6 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Friday, a team of our boys from year 5 & 6 attended the Waltham Forest School Games Boys Football Tournament at Chingford Goals. As always, the boys represented the school superbly well and acquitted themselves fantastically on the football pitch. Drawn in a difficult group against the likes of previous winners Greenleaf, Yardley and Hillyfield Park, the boys displayed some excellent finishing to top the table on goals scored, losing only one game. Facing Whittingham in the quarter finals, the boys again took their chances well and defended resolutely, sneaking over the line with a 2-1 win. Unfortunately, the boys missed on a spot in the final round robin phase after a 3-0 loss to a well-drilled St Mary's team in the semi-final, leaving us in joint 4th place. Well done to all the boys and thank you to the parents that came along to support, as well as Coach Sim for working so hard to prepare the team.



WINTER FAIR DONATIONS THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who was able to send in a donation of some sort for the Winter Fair next week. A non-uniform day always has a certain buzz about it in school, and our parent volunteers from FOTW will be working especially hard over the next week to sort the donations and get them ready for the fair. Thank you to everyone!

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS

As part of our ongoing journey to achieving the Silver Rights Respecting Schools award, you will start seeing some icons similar to those on the right alongside the articles in the Winns Weekly. These icons will highlight which right(s) we are respecting as part of that activity in school.



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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - THE WINTER FAIR

We are still on the look out for more volunteers for the fair. The more volunteers we have, the easier it is to make the event as big and fun as possible and raise much needed funds for our school. Key info about volunteering:

- 95% of the fair is indoors so you will remain warm
- You can do a variety of shifts:
 - Set up only: 09:30-11:30
 - Set up plus a stall: 09:30-15:30*
 - Stall: 11:30-13:30 or 13:30-15:30
 - Whole Day Super Volunteer: 09:30-16:30*
- *Those that volunteer for the longer periods will receive a food and drink token as a thank you
- There are a number of different stalls that require volunteers including Game stalls, Bric-a-Brac, 2nd Hand Books, Pre-Loved Uniform, Bouncy Castles, Food, Bar, Cafe
- It's extremely helpful to us if people sign up before the day so that we can plan accordingly

WE NEED YOU!



So, if you can spare a few hours on the day of the fair then please fill out the form here:
<https://tinyurl.com/5chcwnrb>

WINTER FAIR DONATIONS

We are looking for **DONATIONS OF PRE-LOVED UNIFORM AND CAKES**. Pre-loved uniform can be dropped off at the school office anytime up until the morning of Friday 6th December. Cakes can be dropped off either to the school office on Friday 6th or to the cafe on the day of the fair.



There is also still time to donate other items for the Winter Fair, please drop them off at the school office before Friday 6th December. Please only donate **new or nearly new items in good condition**. Everything donated will be sold or used as a prize at the Winter Fair:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Books | • Small Prizes |
| • Tombola Prizes | • Festive Jumpers (adult & child) |
| • Chocolate | • Wrapping Paper |
| • Lego Mini Figures | • Napkins/ Paper Plates |
| • Mulled Wine | |

Have ideas or feedback for FOTW? Email Karen, Co-Chair of FOTW: fotwchair@gmail.com



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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS CONT...

THE WINTER FAIR BREAKDOWN

When is the Winns Winter Fair?

Saturday 7th December. It runs from 12pm to 3pm (11:30 early open for SEND families)

What is there to do?

We have a number of stalls plus food, drink and entertainment for all the family. You can buy books, toys and games as well as win prizes and this year we are also introducing the SURPRISE SOMEONE SPECIAL GIFT SHOP where kids can buy pre-wrapped presents for their loved ones or have something they've got from the fair wrapped for them. More info on all the fair details in the following pages

What happens if it's raining?

A majority of the fair is indoors and we have a plan in place if it rains (nothing will stop the fair)

How do I pay?

We sell tokens on the front gate, which can be spent on most stalls and all games. Tokens cost 50p each. However, you can also pay by cash or card.

What food and drinks are available?

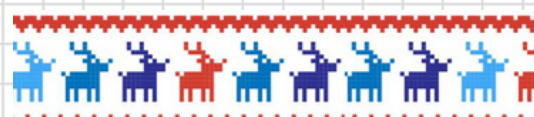
Savoury items such as soup, hot dogs and samosas at the Street Food stall, plus cakes, biscuits and hot drinks at the Cafe. Also mulled wine, prosecco, beer and soft drinks from the bar

THE RAFFLE - BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

Buy your tickets now! - <https://tinyurl.com/2szntvxw>

There are an array of fantastic prizes to be won including:

- Amazon Fire Kindle
- Signed children's books
- Yard Sale Vouchers
- Lisa Angel Earrings
- Zizzi Vouchers
- Gift Basket
- Angry Dan Prints
- Absolut Vodka
- Manicure Voucher
- And Many More.....



WINTER FAIR @ THE WINNS
RAFFLE

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ONLINE?

THEN SIGN UP TO EASYFUNDRAISING!

Easyfundraising is a simple way for you to support the school. Over 7,500 brands will donate to Friends of the Winns for free every time you use the app or browser extension to shop. **It costs you nothing extra!**

Simply sign up here: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofthewinns>



Have ideas or feedback for FOTW? Email Karen, Co-Chair of FOTW: fotwchair@gmail.com





Winter Fair FAQs

What is the Winns Winter Fair?



The Winns Winter Fair is a community event, run by the Friends of the Winns volunteers. The purpose of the fair is to raise money for the school while (hopefully!) having fun.

We offer food, drink, gifts and items to purchase. Kids can play a variety of games to win prizes and also visit Santa in his grotto.

When is the Winns Winter Fair?



Saturday 7th December

Fair runs from **12pm to 3pm - free entry**

(11:30 early open for SEND families)

How do the tokens work?



We sell tokens on the front gate, which can be spent on most stalls* and all games. Tokens cost 50p each.

Each game costs one token to play (other experiences such as the bouncy castle and grotto cost more, but there will be signage making all price points clear, and we aim to balance affordability with maximising fundraising)

If a player wins a game, they will be given a different coloured prize token. Prize tokens can be collected and exchanged for a prize at the prize table.

**excluding stalls run by external vendors*

Can I pay by cash or card instead of using tokens?



Yes! All stalls and games will accept cash. Some will also accept contactless card payments, including all food and drink service areas, pre-loved uniform and Santa's Grotto.



Winter Fair FAQs



What happens if it's raining or snowing?

The Winns Winter Fair will run whatever the weather, however, the weather will determine how many of the games and experiences will be inside. We will have a wet weather and dry weather plan, and will set up on the day according to conditions.



Are there any performances to look out for?

Yes! The school choir is scheduled to serenade fair attendees at 12.30pm, and the school's ukelele band will be performing at 1.30. Both performances will be in Green Hall.



What will the food and drink options be?

We will be serving savoury items such as soup, hot dogs and samosas at the Street Food stall, plus cakes, biscuits and hot drinks at the Cafe. The licensed Bar will be serving mulled wine, prosecco, beer and soft drinks.



What's new at this year's fair?

We have introduced our "Surprise Someone Special Giftshop", where kids will be able to buy small (pre-wrapped!) gifts for their parents and carers.



What is the SEND Family Quiet Space?

There will be a quiet space available for children who would like time away from the busy fair.



Disaster! I have other plans and can't attend the fair! How else can I support the Friends of the Winns?

Don't worry! You can buy raffle tickets here, or make a general donation to FOTW here. You can also donate a raffle prize, donate baked goods or sign up to EasyFundraising to support FOTW while shopping online.



Winter Fair Stalls



Bric-a-Brac

Homewares, toys, gadgets, beauty...anything goes, at a bargain price!

Second Hand Books

Books for all ages



Pre-Loved Uniform and Kids Xmas Jumpers

Bouncy Castle

Kids only!



Face Painting

Craft Activities & Colouring



Surprise Someone Special Giftshop

(Kids can buy pre-wrapped gifts for their loved ones...no grown-ups allowed!)

Cafe

(Hot drinks, cakes, biscuits & sweet treats)



Bar

(Licensed bar selling alcohol and soft drinks)

Street Food

(Options include soup, hot dogs, samosas and filled rolls)



Plus a number of other stalls run by external vendors selling gifts and clothes, and an informational stand about the parent-led "Smartphone Free Childhood" initiative



Winter Fair Games & Grotto

(dependent on volunteer numbers!)

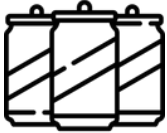


Spin the Wheel Tombola

Spin to win!

Chocolate Tombola

Choose ticket for the chance to win!

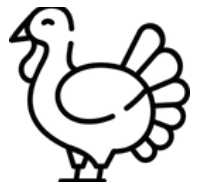


Tin Can Alley

Knock down cans to win!

Stuff the Turkey

Roll balls into turkey butt to win!



Lucky Snowflakes

Choose a snowflake for the chance to win!

Reindeer Quoits

Hoop an antler for the chance to win!



Lucky Christmas Coins

Choose a coin for the chance to win!

Festive Higher or Lower

Classic card game!



Prize Table

Exchange winning tokens for prizes

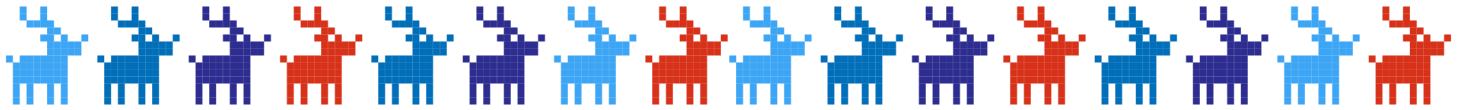
Santa's Grotto

Visit Santa (and his pals!) in his magical Grotto! Every kid gets a gift.



WINTER FAIR
@THE WINNS

Raffle



AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON!



£50 Zizzi
restaurant
voucher



£25 Nandos
voucher



£15 Claire's
voucher



£25 Yard Sale
voucher



Body Shop Rose
gift set



Voucher for
celebration cake
from Le Delice
(worth £36)



Yankee Candle
festive gift set



Lisa Angel
earrings



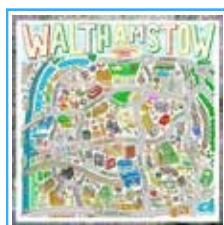
Oliver Bonas
champagne
glasses



Annie
Montgomery
print



Portmerion
festive side
plates



Angry Dan map
of Walthamstow
donated by the
artist



...and many
more!

Last date to play is (lucky) Friday 13th December!
Scan the QR code or go to thewinns.rallyup.com/winterra e24

BAR
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COME AND JOIN US!



WINTER FAIR @ THE WINNS

FREE ENTRY



SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER

XXXXX 12-3PM XXXXX



VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!



GIFTS ♦ BOOKS ♦ TOYS ♦ GAMES
SECOND HAND UNIFORMS ♦ PLANTS
BOUNCY CASTLE ♦ FACE PAINTING
TOMBOLA ♦ HOT FOOD & DRINKS

SANTA'S GROTTO
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The Winns Primary School, Elphinstone Road entrance, E17 5ET
If you would like to help at this event contact fotwchair@gmail.com

Do you often find yourself telling your child off?

Does your child have frequent temper tantrums at home?

Would you like to know more about how to strengthen your relationship with your child?

Does your child find it difficult to follow instructions?

Are these behaviours difficult to manage and affecting the whole family?

Join us for a workshop on

Common Behaviour Difficulties

hosted by the Waltham Forest Mental Health Support Team to learn strategies to manage these behaviours.

MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2024

**9:00am - 10:00am at
The Winns Primary School**



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January - March 2025

A full guide to the programmes available from pregnancy to adulthood in Waltham Forest

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2PM - 4.30PM**



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For children aged 4 – 11 years old and their families



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Monday 30th Dec



**10.30am – 1pm &
2pm – 4.30pm**



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Secondary School E10
5DN**

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Parental Conflict.

We are seeking parents/co-parents to join us in sharing their views about the support available to them in Waltham forest.

Once complete both individuals will receive a £15 incentive for taking part.

Camera's will need to be on during the sessions.

Tuesday 24th November and
Tuesday 3rd December
6.30 - 7.30pm
Delivered via Zoom
First come first served, please contact
Angela Carter: angelac@tlpcc.org.uk
to book or for more information

SNAP STREAK

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DAYS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Snapchat is a messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to others. Its best-known feature is that anything sent 'disappears' 24 hours after it's been viewed; however, users are known to take screenshots or use another device to obtain a photo of their screen. In 2023, Snapchat added a chatbot function called 'My AI'.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

My AI is Snapchat's new chatbot, which replies to questions in a human-like manner. However, the software is still in its infancy and has significant drawbacks, such as biased, incorrect or misleading responses. There have already been numerous reports of young users turning to AI for medical help and diagnoses, which could be inaccurate and therefore potentially dangerous.

PREDATORS AND SCAMS

Predators can exploit Snapchat's disappearing messages by, for example, telling a user they have naked photos of them and will post them unless they're paid. Snapchat's own research found that 65% of teenagers had experienced this – on this app or others. This likely isn't helped by 'SnapMaps' – a feature which highlights your exact position in real-time. This is meant to help friends keep track of each other, but could be used for more sinister reasons.

MY EYES ONLY

Snapchat has a hidden photo vault called 'My Eyes Only'. Teens can conceal sensitive photos and videos from parents and carers in this folder, which is protected by a PIN. You can check for this by clicking on the icon which looks like two playing cards. This takes you to the 'Memories' folder which stores photos, stories and the My Eyes Only folder.

SCREEN TIME ADDICTION

Snapchat prioritises user engagement, with features like streaks (messaging the same person every day to build up a high score). The app also has sections called 'Discover' and 'Spotlight', which show tailored content to each user. However, this could also be seen as an attempt to hook users into watching videos endlessly. Furthermore, constant notifications can lure people into using the app.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat simply isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

ONLINE PRESSURES

Although many of Snapchat's filters are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beautify' effects on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations – creating feelings of inadequacy in younger users. Snapchat now also has 'priority' notifications (which still get displayed even if a device is in 'do not disturb' mode), increasing the pressure on users to log back in and interact.

Advice for Parents & Educators

UTILISE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Snapchat's 'Family Centre' lets you view the details of the child's account – their friends list and who they've spoken to in the last week – and report any concerns. You must invite a child to the Family Centre for them to join. To keep the child's location hidden on the app, go into settings and turn on 'Ghost Mode' and 'Hide Live Location', and ensure they know not to share their location with anyone.

BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger does connect with a child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending sexual images to them, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile and report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user – such as annoying or malicious messages, spam or masquerading as someone else.

FAMILIARISE YOURSELF

Before you allow a child to download Snapchat, download it yourself and familiarise yourself with the app. Snapchat has produced a parents' guide to the app to help you understand how it works and any protections they have in place. A link for this can be found in the sources below.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. For example, discuss My AI's responses to questions and how reliable they are. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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