



WINNS WEEKLY

21.3.2025

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أسبوع جميلة!

Arabic
Have a nice weekend!



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DATES FOR DIARIES WB 24.3.2025

Tuesday 25th March Deadline to register for after school clubs (5pm)

Wednesday 26th March IJS Class Assembly (9:10am)

Friday 28th March Final day of after school clubs for Spring term

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

YEAR 2 CHOIR PROJECT

Well done to all of our year 2 children who have been working very hard over the last few weeks under the tuition of a group of our parents. Natalie, Rosie & Tom supported the children to learn True Colours, a beautiful song that celebrates diversity and self-expression. The project has provided a wonderful opportunity for our young singers to develop their musical talents and build confidence. Well done to the children, and thank you to our amazing group of parents for your time and teaching!



SUMMER TERM CLUBS REGISTRATION & END OF SPRING TERM CLUBS



Registration for Summer Term clubs is now open. Please visit [the clubs page on our website](#) for further details and for the links to the online registration forms. The final Spring term clubs will run next week. There will be no activity clubs after school in the final week of this term. Tea time club will run as normal.



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PARENT GOVERNOR APPOINTMENT

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed a new parent governor to our governing board. Congratulations to Anissa Boumachouene, mum of two in children in year 1 & nursery respectively.



YEAR 4 BAKING

Year 4 donned their aprons last week as they took to the DT kitchen to bake their own biscuits. As well as the cooking part, the children also thought carefully about the packaging that they were creating for their biscuits. Well done Year 4!

YEAR 4 NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM TRIP

Two year 4 classes visited the Natural History Museum this week to explore the volcanoes and earthquakes exhibits, and to watch an interactive show. The children proved they had learnt a lot in school over the last term by answering some tricky questions during the show! Thank you to all the parent volunteers who accompanied the children - these trips would not be able to take place without you!



Y5 SWIMMING FESTIVAL

A group of year 5 children visited Leytonstone Leisure Centre on Friday morning to take part in the Waltham Forest School Games Swim Event. The children had the opportunity to gain confidence in the water by taking part in a series of fun games and activities alongside groups from other schools. As always, the children represented the school fantastically and had a great deal of fun in the process!

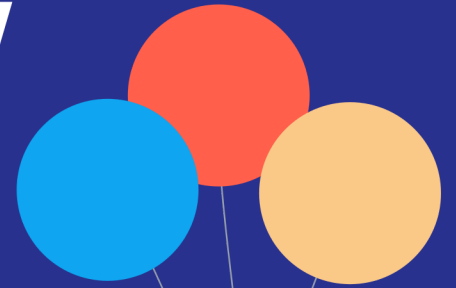


The Winns

STORY WINDOW TRAIL 2025



The Winns
Primary School



And we're off!

Here is the link to the Winns Windows trail 2025, which starts tomorrow!

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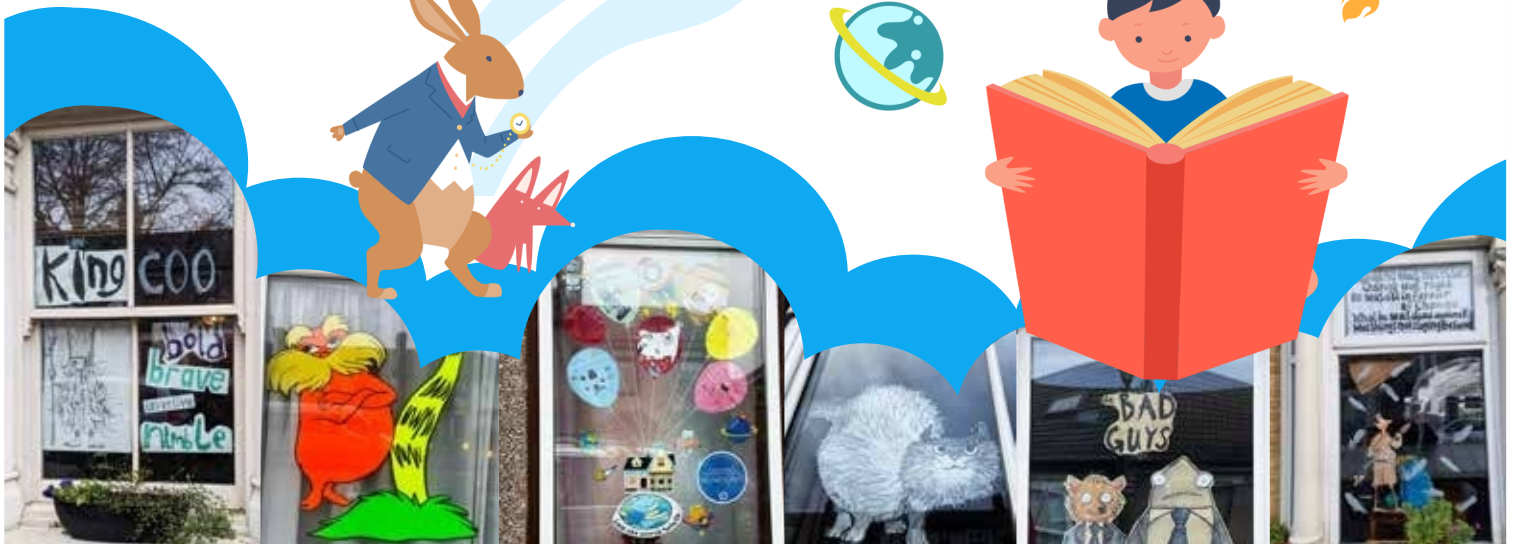
So far we have over **35 homes** decorating a window to celebrate the month of World Book Day activities. Please email fotwvictoria@gmail.com if you would like to decorate too, there is still time to join in!

<https://tinyurl.com/2bbjbxz3>

The trail celebrates a love of books and World Book Day while also raising £750 in sign sponsorship towards new books for the school.

The trail runs from **1st–31st March 2025**

How many story windows can you find?



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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS

WINNS STORY WINDOW TRAIL - MORE FABULOUS WINDOWS

Here's some more pictures of our artists in action!

We will feature different windows across the newsletter over the month. The Trail runs 1st-31st March and you can find all the windows by following this map: <https://tinyurl.com/2v24dsu7> How many story windows can you find? Here's some more pictures of our artists in action!



BOOK SWAP UPDATE

Another brilliant book swap for the early years children last Friday. Thank you so much to all the sorting and swapping volunteers who did such a great job. It was joyous seeing the children happy with their new preloved book to enjoy!

And thanks to all the generous parent donations we were able to offer the remaining books to the school. Lots of them went to refresh the classroom selections, the children had another chance to choose a book in the playground, and our librarian was able to add around 50 new books for everybody to enjoy from the library!

The remainder will be saved for the fair and donated to local charities.



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



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QUIZ NIGHT - AND THE WINNER IS.....



THE GOOD, THE DAD, AND THE UGLY were deserving winners of the 2nd Winns Presents.. The Quiz. It was a tight contest in the end with only 2 points separating the top two teams. It was the Good, the Dad and The Ugly's artistic prowess that won them the coveted trophy which until now had been sitting proudly in the teachers staff room. Can the teachers win back their crown next time?

A big THANK YOU to everyone who bought a ticket to the quiz. Between Central Estates sponsorship, ticket sales and the bar we raised £1150 for FOTW! And an especially HUGE THANK YOU must go to the wonderful volunteers who manned the bar amazingly and to the teaching staff and Manny who helped set up the quiz with us. See you next time!



INSTAGRAM

Did you know that the Winns has an Instagram account?

You can follow what's happening at the school and FOTW will be sharing info on upcoming events too. Follow them here:

<https://www.instagram.com/winnsprimary/>



NEED LABELS FOR YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES?

Then consider ordering from Stikins. As a member of **Stikins fundraising scheme** we receive a 30% donation every time you make a purchase. To order, visit <https://www.stikins.co.uk/> and quote the school's fundraising number - **25586** - when you check out.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



FEBRUARY:

MARCH:

APRIL:

1st-31st - Winns Story Window Trail

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THE FRIENDS OF THE WINNS

WHO ARE FRIENDS OF THE WINNS?

We are you! If you are a parent of a child at The Winns Primary School then you're automatically a Friends of The Winns member. Run by a committee of parents, the Friends of the Winns is a collection of volunteers who run events throughout the year to raise much needed funds for our school. But most importantly, we have fun!

WHERE DOES THE FUNDRAISING GO?

All money raised goes to the school to give the children the best educational experience possible. In recent years, we have supported a number of projects including the Main School and Reception playground transformations, the installation of a teaching kitchen, School Library improvements, and the purchase of new AV equipment.

Also, 10% of all money raised by Friends of the Winns goes to the Family Support Fund. This is managed by the school and offers support to those families that need it most.

WANT TO VOLUNTEER WITH FOTW?

The Friends of the Winns is a charitable organisation that is run completely by parent volunteers. You can volunteer at anytime and can give us as much time as you can (even an hour helps). You don't need to hold an official FOTW role or be voted in to be a volunteer!

We are also on the look out for people to help in a number of ways, whether that is with the Library Team, the Pre-loved Team on at one of our many events. Interested? Then please email fotwchair@gmail.com or join the FOTW Whatsapp group: <https://tinyurl.com/dk7jc2ef>



OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT

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!**

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

ONLINE DONATIONS - You can set up a regular payment or make a one off donation through the Charities Aid Foundation. All the details can be found here:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/26249#!/DonationDetails>

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SHOWKIDS

THEATRE SCHOOL

Easter Holiday Musical Theatre Course SISTER ACT JR.

5 days: 7th to 11th April, 9am to 4pm.

With a performance to families on Friday 11th.

At The Winns Primary School, Walthamstow, E17.

£295 (we accept childcare vouchers & HMRC tax free payments).

To book, go to showkids.co.uk
or call us on 0203 488 5384



- Make new friends and have fun!
- Act, Sing, Dance
- Develop confidence, communication skills and creativity.

COMPETITION! WIN A FREE WEEK AT CAMP!

**PLUS £250 DONATION FOR YOUR
SCHOOL AND A MINI BILLY TOY!**

**WIN A
MINI
BILLY!**



KIDS COMPETITION

Task: Design a new activity for Easter 2025!

ACTIVITY COULD BE:

- ⦿ Based on existing activity with a twist
- ⦿ Repurposing equipment to play in another way
- ⦿ Add your theme to an activity
- ⦿ An activity you love already which you'd like to see at camp

WE WILL REPLICATE YOUR ACTIVITY IDEA AT CAMP!

**YOUR CHANCE
TO WIN!**

**ENTRIES SUBMITTED TO
FUN@BARRACUDAS.CO.UK
BY 25TH MARCH**

**INCLUDE YOUR NAME, AGE
& NAME & LOCATION OF
SCHOOL WITH YOUR
ENTRY!**

Winner announced 27th March
Camp open dates 7th - 17th April

BARRACUDAS

ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS





WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME

EASTER 2025

7 APRIL - 17 APRIL

**ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16
AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT
RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?**

Funded by the Department for Education, this easter we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:



or visit

WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

**Booking is essential on all activities
so book early to avoid disappointment**

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:

**WFHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@
WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK**



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Call for entries

An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–18, who are living and studying in the UK, to exhibit their artwork on site or online at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Open for submissions

6 January – 5 March 2025

Find out more and enter

roy.ac/youngartists

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Young Artists' Summer Show

2025

Royal
Academy
of Arts

Made possible by Robin Hambro

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about STREAMERS

Livestreaming has become a big part of the entertainment people consume, and what began as a series of gamers sharing their screens has grown into a huge industry packed with personalities - and potential risks for your children. With over 2.5 million people watching Twitch, the most popular streaming service, at any one time, it's important to remain aware of the risks associated with streamers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT



Some gaming streamers will stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular. Non-gaming streamers could, in theory, discuss just about anything, and some streamers will often stream in revealing outfits.

NEGATIVE INFLUENCES



While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't always stated explicitly. While it's unlikely these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged (knowingly or not) in scams in the past.

FINANCIAL HARM

Streamers will often have donation buttons on their screens for users to submit money. What can start as small amounts can quickly spiral as streamers engage with paying viewers more often, potentially leading to financial issues.

UNREALISTIC EXPECTATIONS



Influencers often showcase how glamorous their lives are, making some users feel as though they are lesser. However, it's important to stress that, in many ways, this is an act, or at the very least, not common. Logan Paul, who has been successful as a streamer and influencer, has a Pokemon card worth \$5 million, but this is atypical of anyone working in the medium.

MISINFORMATION



Streamers are, in many ways, just like us - and they can get things wrong or reel off an opinion without having thought about it. Some can simply say awful things to get a rise out of viewers or to sway them to their side of a hot topic.

ADDICTION AND SCREEN TIME

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

Advice for Parents & Educators

EXPLAIN HOW STREAMING WORKS



For a younger viewer, being a streamer or influencer seems aspirational, but it involves a lot of work and no small degree of good fortune. Streamers are often managed and unable to speak freely due to sponsors, and influencers are just that - influencing young minds, for better or for worse.

DO NOT LOG PAYMENT INFORMATION



Streamers can reward donations with additional content, on-camera "shout outs" and more. If you're unsure about who or what your child is watching, consider avoiding linking payment information. This is especially notable with Twitch, which is owned by Amazon and therefore has some crossover.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of the Daily Star, and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



CHECK OUT STREAMING PLATFORMS



While Twitch was the de facto streaming service for years, YouTube has gained popularity, too. Then there are Kick and Rumble, which have grown in popularity with moves for big-name streamers - despite many being dogged by controversy.

SET SCREEN TIME LIMITS



You can set screentime limits for mobile apps on iOS and Google, but with other platforms like a PC it may be more difficult to keep tabs. Consider checking in regularly to ensure your children aren't watching content they shouldn't be.



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