



WINNS WEEKLY

12.9.2025

Mitego weekendu!

Polish
Have a good weekend!



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DATES FOR DIARIES W.B. 15.9.2025

Monday 15th September After school clubs begin (collect from Elphinstone Rd at 4:30pm)

Wednesday 17th September Reception 2026 Parent Tour (9:30am) ([book online](#))

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

A WONDERFUL START FOR OUR NURSERY AND RECEPTION CHILDREN

We are delighted to share what an amazing start our Nursery and Reception children have made to their time at The Winns. From day one, the children have shown enthusiasm, curiosity, and confidence as they settle into their new routines and surroundings. It has been a joy to watch them explore their classrooms, make new friends, and begin to develop the independence and skills that will support their learning journey.

This first term marks the beginning of an exciting adventure – one filled with wonder, discovery, and countless new experiences. We are so proud of how quickly the children have adapted and how warmly they have embraced the opportunities to learn and play together. We can't wait to see how they continue to grow and flourish over the weeks and months ahead. Here's to a fantastic start to their journey!



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WELCOME BACK FROM CYBI

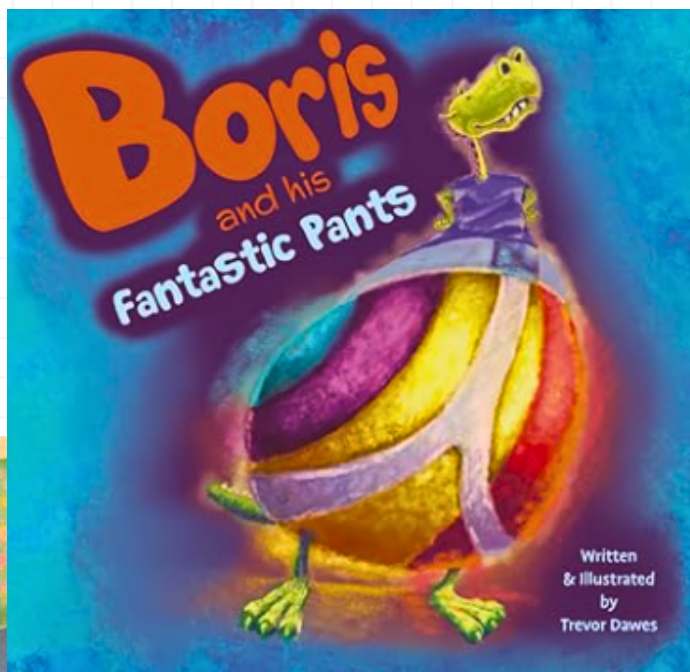
Our school dog Cybi hopes you have all had a lovely summer holiday and are feeling ready for the academic year ahead. Admittedly, Cybi himself was a bit reluctant to come back to "work", much preferring the extra long walks he had over the holidays! Cybi will continue to visit classes when he can and work with a small number of individual children in school. You might not see him as much as you did last year as Mr Jones will be busy teaching his Year 5 class, but Cybi will hopefully be able to stand (with Mr Jones!) at the big gate on Elphinstone Road every Friday morning if you want to come and say hello! 🐾



1JS HELPS BRING A BOOK TO LIFE!

Last year, our children in 1JS got a special sneak peek at a brand-new children's book, even before it hit the shelves! As a "focus group," they provided valuable feedback on an early draft of "Boris and His Fantastic Pants!", written by Mr Search's uncle.

The book is now officially published, and our class received a special thank you for all their help. If you get a chance to read the book, be sure to look for the shout-out to both myself and 1JS! It's a wonderful reminder of how our voices and opinions can have a real impact. We are so proud of 1JS for their contribution to this creative project!



A special thank you to my little proof readers; Ellie, Oliver, Molly, Jack, Lowen, Josie, Aden, Samuel and of course Finley for their great reading and fantastic reactions to my little story.

I would also like to thank Mr Search's Year 1 class of Winns Primary School for their amazing feedback and very honest reviews, absolutely brilliant - thank you!



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FREE BIKE MARKING EVENT

Following interest from some of our families at our own Tour de Winns event in the summer term, we are delighted to share that our local Safer Neighbourhood Team from the Met Police will be running a Free Bike Marking Event this month.

📍 Location: Forest Road, outside The William Morris Gallery

📅 Date: Saturday 27th September

🕒 Time: 11:00am - 1:00pm

Bike marking is a great way to deter theft and help recover bikes if they are ever lost or stolen. This is a free opportunity for families to get their bikes security-marked, so do pop along if you're able to. A huge thank you to our local Safer Neighbourhood Team for offering this support to our school community.

For more info please visit <https://www.bikeregister.com/>



SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2025



TOUR DE WALTHAM FOREST

#TDWF2025



Book your ride now!



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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS

AGM DATE

The FOTW AGM will be hosted at the school the evening of Monday 29th September (6:30pm). Everyone is welcome, so please come along to meet a group of parents dedicated to making the Winns even better for all the children. **Several of the committee are stepping down so we will be voting in new members, your vote and your volunteering matters!**

You can also hear about how the FOTW have used the funds raised this year and plans for what's next. We would love to hear your ideas and feedback and share volunteering opportunities. Snacks and drinks provided.

For more information about becoming part of the committee please contact fotwchair@gmail.com

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you help out in the school library? FOTW need some new volunteers to help in the library, no experience necessary even hour a week would be helpful ! Training provided.

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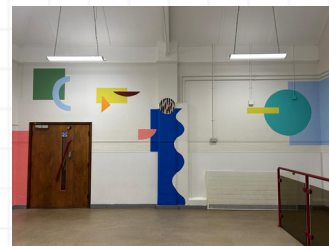
NEW MURAL

While the school was quiet in the summer holidays two very creative parents designed and hand painted a fantastic mural in the food serving area bringing a plain space to life with pattern and colour. **Artists Harrie Smith and Siobhan Watt** collaborated to fill the walls with lively shapes which I'm sure will have amazed and delighted the children at lunch times this week! Thank you both so much for your time and talent and to Axelle for assisting. You can find out more about our artists on instagram:

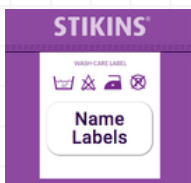
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NEED LABELS FOR YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES?



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.



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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>

WE ♥ VOLUNTEERS!



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>

Have ideas or feedback for FOTW? Email FOTW: fotwchair@gmail.com

