

Weekly Bulletin - 14th November 2025

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Upcoming dates for diaries

- Thursday 20th November Friends of the Winns Quiz Night SOLD OUT
- Friday 21st November Catch-up photos and flu vaccines
- Friday 28th November Non-uniform day (donations for the Winter Fair gratefully accepted)
- Saturday 6th December Winter Fair (12pm-3pm)

Dates and event information

- Provisional dates for diaries for the whole academic year, including class assembly and Christmas performance dates. (click here)
- Information on how to order your child's Christmas Art (click here)

Information from outside agencies and organisations

- Top tips for parents and carers about **Guiding Young Voices to Make a Difference** from the National College (<u>click here</u>)
- Waltham Forest Mental Health Support team webinars in the Autumn term (click here)
- Waltham Forest Educational Psychologist Service Parent Advice sessions (click here)
- Waltham Forest Community Drop In Sessions (click here)
- Woodford Rugby Club girls' sessions (<u>click here</u>)
- Information about the Feel Good Centre's children's birthday party options (click here)
- Local NHS questionnaire for parents of children in Reception (click here) and Year 6 (click here)

The Winns Primary School

Calendar Dates Academic Year 2025-26

Please note, these dates are subject to change.

November 2025

20th - FOTW Quiz Night

21st - Mop up individual and sibling photos & Flu Vaccination Catch Up

28th - Non-uniform day (donations for Winter Fair gratefully accepted)

December 2025

6th – FOTW Winter Fair

3rd-16th - Christmas Concerts (see separate timetable below)

10th - Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

12th – ASC finish

19th – Last day of Autumn term

January 2026

5th – Inset Day (staff only)

12th - ASC start

February 2026

6th – Dress Up for Digits Day

9th – Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

10th – Safer Internet Day

16th-20th - Half Term Holiday

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6th-13th - British Science Week
18th – Eid Celebration
20th - ASC finish
wb 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parental Consultation meetings
27th – Last day of Spring term
April 2026
13th – First day of Summer term (staff & children, no Inset day)
20th - ASC start
22<sup>nd</sup> - Earth Day
May 2026
4th – Bank Holiday (school closed)
wb 11th - KS2 SATs (Y6)
22<sup>nd</sup> - ASC finish
wb 25<sup>th</sup> – Half Term Holiday
June 2026
Pride Month
wb 1st - No ASC
wb 1st & 8th - Multiplication Tables Check (Y4)
1<sup>st</sup> – Inset day (staff only)
3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> - Y5 Residential to The Hive
wb 8th - Phonics Screening Check (Y1)
wb 8th & 15th – Creativity Weeks (art work displayed at Summer Fair)
8th - ASC start
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March 2026

9th – Y1, 2, 3 Sports Day

10th - Y4, 5, 6 Sports Day

24th - Class Photos

25th – Young Enterprise

July 2026

4th – FOTW Summer Fair

9th – Y6 Leavers' Production (after school)

8th – End of year reports sent home

10th – ASC finish

14th – Leavers' BBQ

17th – Leavers Assembly

 $17^{\rm th}$ – Final day of the Summer term

20th – Inset day (staff only)

Class Assembly Dates

Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	
Thurs 6th Nov –	Thurs 15 th Jan –	Thurs 5 th Mar –	Thurs 23 rd Apr –	– Thurs 11 th Jun	
6PB	6ES	3NM	1AS	Pine	
Wed 19 th Nov –	Thurs 22 nd Jan –	Thurs 12 th Mar –	Thurs 30 th Apr –	Thurs 18 th Jun	
3AF	3CS	6AM	5BB	4LT	
Thurs 20st Nov –	Thurs 29 th Jan –	Thurs 19 th Mar –	Thurs 7 th May –	Thurs 25 th Jun	
	5JH	2JS	2ML	Cedar	
	Thurs 5 th Feb – 2CS	Thurs 26 th Mar – 4KB	Thurs 21st May – 1BH	Thurs 2 nd Jul 1GB	
	Thurs 12 th Feb – 4EB			Thurs 9 th Jul Elm	

Christmas Performances 2025

	Wed 3rd Dec	Thurs 4 th Dec	Fri 5 th Dec	Mon 8 th Dec	Tues 9 th Dec	Wed 10 th	Thurs 11th	Fri 12 th
9:10am			Reception Christmas Concert 2		Year 1 Christmas Concert 2	Year 2 Christmas Concert 2	Year 4 Christmas Concert	Year 6 Christmas Concert
2:45 pm	Nursery Christmas Concert	Reception Christmas Concert 1		Year 1 Christmas Concert 1	Year 2 Christmas Concert 1	Year 3 Christmas Concert	Year 5 Christmas Concert	

All performances will take place in Green Hall

All concerts will last around 30 minutes.

Class Christmas Parties - further details to follow

Tuesday 16th December - Years R, 2, 4 & 6

Wednesday 17th December - Years Nursery, 1, 3 & 5

Christmas Lunch Wednesday 10th December



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WALTHAM FOREST MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM WEBINARS 2025

School attendance and Emotional Wellbeing



OCTOBER

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS

OCTOBER

Helping your child reach their full academic potential



5-6PM ON MS TEAMS

Positive approaches to challenging behaviour



NOVEMBER

5-6PM ON MS TEAMS

NOVEMBER

Boost your mood – practical tools for overcoming low mood



5-6PM ON MS TEAMS

DECEMBER

Anxiety management: building resilience and calm



5-6PM ON MS TEAMS

Please register your interest for any of our free webinars by scanning this **QR** code







EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Speak confidentially with an educational psychologist about your child

DATES

Wednesday afternoon (12:30–2 pm) or evening (3:30–5 pm)

24th September 2025 8th October 2025 12th November 2025 10th December 2025 14th January 2026 11th February 2026 18th March 2026 22nd April 2026 20th May 2026 10th June 2026 8th July 2026

PARENT ADVICE SESSIONS

Who is it for?

 Parents and carers living in Waltham Forest

What can I expect?

 A free 30-minute session with an EP by phone or online via Teams

How to book?

Call, text or email us using the contact details below



ABOUT US

Our diverse EP team is passionate about working with families and schools to support children and young people aged 0–25 years with their development, learning and emotional wellbeing.



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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators CUIDING YOUNG VOICES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Bullying impacts the lives of many young people. In the UK, one in five pupils aged 10 to 15 report being bullied. The effects can be long lasting, affecting mental health, school attendance and self-esteem, and can impact long-term development into adult life. Adults play a key role in building young people's confidence to speak out, support one another, and stand up to unkind behaviour. This guide offers ways to help youngsters make a positive difference.

CELEBRATE DIFFERENCES

Help young people value diversity by showing that what makes us different is also what makes us strong. Encourage them to learn about different cultures, identities, and abilities through books, films, and conversations. By appreciating uniqueness in themselves and others, children can grow into open-minded individuals who build inclusive and welcoming environments.

2 MODEL RESPECT

Children watch and learn from how adults behave. Use respectful language, show patience in disagreements, and treat others with fairness – especially in front of children. By modelling inclusive behaviour and challenging unkindness, adults set a lasting example that respect should be part of every interaction, whether online, at school, or at home. Be the change you want to make.

SPOT THE SIGNS

Adults and young people should learn how to recognise signs that someone may be experiencing bullying. This might include withdrawal from friends, hobbies or interests, changes in mood, reluctance to go to school, or unusual injuries. Helping young people recognise these clues ensures that support can be offered sooner and problems do not go unnoticed.

4 VALIDATE FEELINGS

When a child shares something that worries them, it's important to listen carefully and validate how they feel. Respond with empathy – not judgement – and let them know it's okay to feel upset or confused. Offering reasurance and understanding helps young people feel safe about opening up, and builds the trust needed to talk again in future.

5 TEACH ALLYSHIP

Show children how to stand up for others in safe, respectful ways. Allyship might look like sitting next to someone who's been excluded, reporting hurtful behaviour, or speaking up when they witness bullying. By practising these responses together, you're helping children develop the courage to be kind and to take action when it really counts.

Meet Our Expert

Robert Allsop is an experienced pastoral and safeguarding practitioner, specialising in tutorials, behaviour interventions, and attendance management. A recipient of the Diana Award for Anti-Bullying, he has helped raise standards and improve Ofsted outcomes in some of the country's most challenging schools and colleges.

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6 PROMOTE REPORTING

Ensure young people know how to report bullying and feel confident that they'll be taken seriously. Talk to them about who they can speak to and what to expect when they do, such as reporting school incidents to teachers, and out-of-school bullying to parents or teachers. Reassure them that reporting is a brave and helpful choice – not tattling – and that it plays a vital role in keeping everyone safe.

T ENCOURAGE KINDNESS

Everyday acts of kindness can make a big difference in creating safer, happier spaces. Encourage children to look out for one another by being helpful, saying kind words, or including someone who feels left out. These small actions set a strong example that kindness matters, and that it can be a powerful response to bullvina.

8 USE YOUR VOICE

Encourage young people to speak up for themselves and others. Whether through storytelling, school campaigns, or peer-led projects, children can learn that their voice has power. Support them to express themselves confidently and safely, helping them understand that sharing experiences can challenge injustice and inspire real change in their communities.

BUILD COMMUNITY AND BELONGING

Children thrive when they feel supported. Help them build strong friendships, join clubs or teams, and connect with trusted adults who care. These networks offer comfort, encouragement, and protection – particularly during challenging times. Remind children that they don't have to face difficulties alone and that support is always within reach.

10 SUSTAIN THE CONVERSATION

Bullying awareness shouldn't be limited to one week each year. Create regular opportunities to talk about kindness, respect, and inclusion. Use books, news stories, and personal experiences as conversation starters. Embed anti-bullying initiatives into the school, and make tackling bullying a shared, ongoing commitment.

Wake Up Nednesday

The National College

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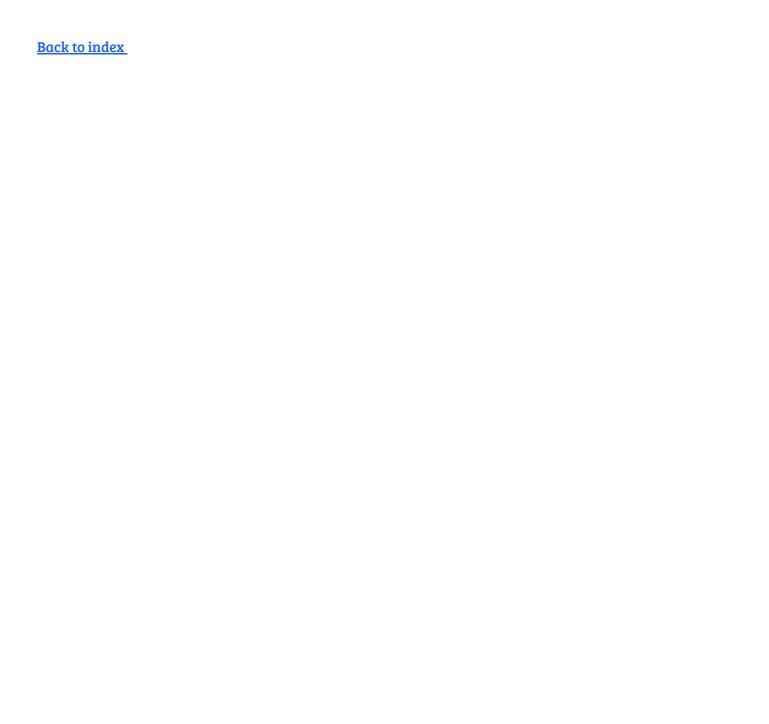
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COMMUNITY DROP-IN

Our early help community drop-in is here

It's a place where everyone can come to get friendly support and information from local volunteers, community organisations and Waltham Forest Early Help teams in an informal space.

We can help you with information about **local services**, support for parents, community activities, and help to use online services and more.



WELLBEING, CONNECTION, SUPPORT

CAN YOU HELP?

You can find out how to volunteer here:



DROP IN FROM 9.45-11.15AM

FREE DROP IN SESSION, NO NEED TO BOOK

TUESDAY

QUEENS ROAD FAMILY HUB 215 QUEENS ROAD E17 8PJ

THURSDAY

WALTHAMSTOW LIBRARY HIGH STREET E17 7JN

WEDNESDAY

CHINGFORD LIBRARY STATION ROAD E4 7EN

FRIDAY

LEYTONSTONE LIBRARY 6 CHURCH LANE E11 1HG



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CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Turn your child's creativity into personalised gifts that everyone will love!



HOW TO ORDER:

- 1 Visit apfsorders.co.uk
- Enter the unique artwork code on the back of your child's artwork under the QR code.
- Place your order and get your unique gifts delivered to school.



Why doesn't the QR code scan on the back of my artwork?

The QR code is for internal use only and won't work with external devices. Head to apfsorders.co.uk and enter your unique code.

What if you didn't send us your artwork?

No problem, just enter the 8 character code that appears under your QR code on the reverse of your artwork and you will be prompted to upload a photo of your artwork (Jpeg).

What if I miss the deadline?

You can still place an order, but the school won't receive fundraising, and your items will be sent to your home with an additional postage fee.

When will I receive my order?

Your order will be delivered to the school along with all other orders on the date agreed by the organiser.



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SISTER SUNDAY Sunday 23 November



Calling all active girls in Reception - Year 7!

Join us for Sister Sunday and give rugby a go in a safe and fun environment.

Sunday 23 November 10-11 am. We can't wait to welcome you.

Questions? girlsrugby@woodfordrugbyclub.com <u>High Road, Wood</u>ford Green, IG8 9LB - pedestrian access Nesta Road

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