

*The more you **read**, the more you **know**.  
The more you **know**, the more you **grow**!*



# The Ulinns Readathon

Join us from 1 – 31 May 2026



# The Winns Readathon

Sponsor your child online at:  
[thewinns.rallyup.com/readathon](http://thewinns.rallyup.com/readathon)  
or use this sponsorship form

Please sponsor me: ..... Class: .....

During May, I am part of the school's reading tree and will be reading as many books as I can to help raise money for FOTW. Every penny raised will fund an annual enrichment pot for each class over the next two years, supporting extra trips, workshops and experiences. Along the way, I'll be part of the reading tree adventure!

Sponsor's Full Name	Sponsor's Home Address	Postcode	Donation amount	Paid	Gift Aid*

I will be reading these books:


Please hand this form with your sponsorship money on the last day of the event, **Friday the 5th of June.**

When you tick the Gift Aid\* box, the government will give us 25% on top of your donation. It doesn't cost you a penny and it means that every pound that you donate can go towards helping to transform people's lives in the UK and the world's poorest communities. This declaration can be used to collect Gift Aid on any donations you make in the future or have made in the past 4 years. If you're making a personal donation, please give your full name and home address and tick the box so we can claim Gift Aid. We won't use this information for any other purpose.



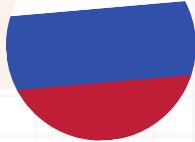


# WINNS WEEKLY

22.5.2026

Приятных  
Выходных!

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Have a good weekend!



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## DATES FOR DIARIES W.B.1.6.2026

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** INSET Day - Staff only

No after school clubs this week

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** Nursery Tour (9:30am)

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** Y5 The Hive Residential trip (return Friday)

1AS Wetlands visit

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June** 1GB Wetlands visit

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** 1BH Wetlands visit

Spurs football sessions (3AF, 3NM, 6PB, 2JS, 6ES)

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

### 1BH SAIL AWAY TO BLACK ROCK!

The children of 1BH treated us to a spectacular class assembly this week with their fantastic retelling of The Secret of Black Rock by Joe Todd-Stanton. The children spoke with incredible confidence, bringing the story to life with incredible acting and lots of energy! It was a joy to see their hard work and creativity shine on stage. Huge congratulations to 1BH for such a memorable and inspiring performance, and thank you to all of the families who came along to support the children!



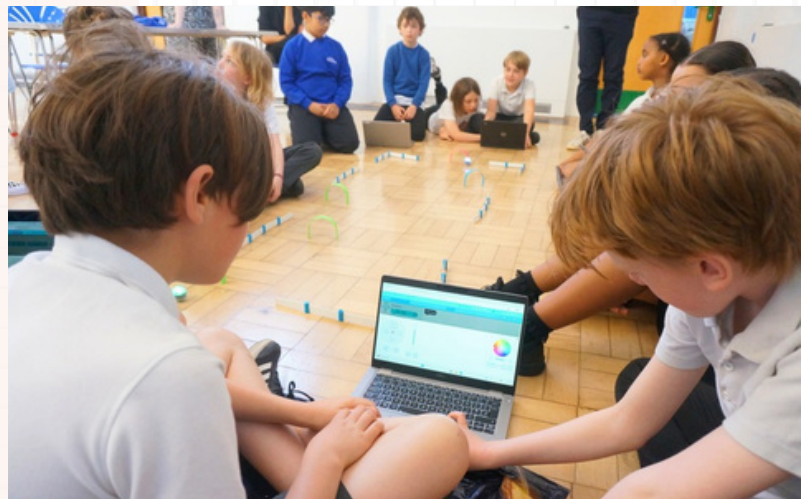
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## MISSION TO MARS: 5BB & 5JH ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Tube strikes couldn't stop Year 5 from embarking on an out-of-this-world adventure! To make up for a disrupted trip, we were delighted to welcome the brilliant team from Haringey Computer Xplorers into school for an action-packed robotics and coding workshop. The sessions were themed around a thrilling "Mission to Mars" and split into two hands-on challenges. First, the children collaborated in teams to master block-based coding, programming their Sphero robots to safely navigate a tricky obstacle course. Next, they shifted their tech skills to the digital realm, completing complex space exploration tasks inside Minecraft Education.

The children demonstrated fantastic teamwork, resilient problem-solving, and impressive digital literacy throughout the day. It turned out to be an unforgettable experience that brought science and technology to life right in our own classrooms!



## YEAR 4 BRING HISTORY TO LIFE WITH ROMAN MOSAICS

As part of their history topic on Roman Britain, Year 4 have been busy channelling their inner ancient artisans. Blending historical research with hands-on art, the children designed and created their very own authentic Roman mosaics.

The intricate process required a great deal of patience and precision. The children carefully mapped out their designs, laying small, colourful glass tiles onto a sturdy MDF backing. Once the patterns were set, they took on the messy but rewarding task of grouting, before carefully rinsing and polishing their work to a high shine. The final pieces are absolutely stunning and display a wonderful grasp of traditional Roman craftsmanship.



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## FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS



### WHAT'S COMING UP FOR SUMMER?

There will be lots of ways to get involved with Friends of the Winns over the summer term - whether that's helping prep teatowels, supporting set-up for the Summer Fair, slicing fruit for Sports Day, or helping run the mocktail stand at the Leavers' BBQ. 🍉🍹

There are so many ways to volunteer, meet new families, chat, connect and support the school community. Every bit of time and help makes a real difference - thank you! ❤️

### READATHON UPDATE - WE'RE UNDERWAY!

The Winns Readathon is now in full swing and a huge **thank you to everyone who has already pledged and donated!**

So far we have reached **7% of our £4500 fundraising goal!**

This year's Readathon is inspired by the National Year of Reading and all money raised will support the new FOTW enrichment pots, **helping fund extra trips, workshops and memorable experiences for every class over the next two academic years.**

#### How it works:

##### 1. Choose your challenge

Read a book, set a target, or explore a topic you love.

##### 2. Gather sponsorship

Friends and family can support online or via paper forms.

##### 3. Get reading!

Throughout May, children become part of our school Reading Tree adventure 🌳

##### 4. Celebrate!

Alongside sticker incentives, there are also prizes to be won:

- **£50 book vouchers** for each year group
- Beautiful **HarperCollins anthology books** (kindly donated by Reception parent **Beth**)
- Class reading **celebrations and surprises**



And finally - we'd love to **hear your stories!** If your child has shared something lovely, surprising or funny from their Readathon experience, or if they've thrown themselves into reading in an unexpected way, we'd love to hear from you:  
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### RECEPTION DISCO - WHAT A NIGHT!

Huge congratulations to the parents and carers across Reception who organised the inaugural FOTW Reception Disco last Friday. What. A. Night. 🌟🌟

A huge thank you to **Rosie and Charlotte**, who led the event, alongside an incredible volunteer team:

**Johanna, Charlotte, Issy, Heather, James, Sorina, Pilar, Rachael, Rose, Renata, Sally and Rachel.**

The Reception Disco was a brilliant example of parent/carer power in action. The idea originally came from feedback through Reception year reps, with FOTW supporting comms and logistics, and a brilliant volunteer team bringing it to life.

Highlights included:

- brilliant playlist
- healthy snacks & water
- lighting rig
- glitter stickers
- compering
- certificates for all children
- quiet room available throughout



And then came the surprise star turn...

The **Reception teachers made a surprise appearance - dressing up and leading a conga line that absolutely delighted the children** 🎉 Congratulations Team Reception Disco. You created a very special memory for the children, a lovely opportunity for grown-ups to connect, and by early counts raised an amazing £200 for Friends of the Winns.



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### TEAM PASSIVE INCOME

We're delighted to welcome **Teresa**, who joins **Becky** on Team Passive Income.

The team were able to chat with parents at the Reception Disco and **spread the word about Easy Fundraising**, helping raise money for the school while doing everyday online shopping.

### HERE COMES THE SUMMER FAIR!

FOTW hosted a **second Summer Fair planning session** this week and **thank you to everyone who joined us**.

If you've got an **idea, feedback or would like to get involved** but haven't had the chance yet, we'd still love to hear from you:  
[fotwchair@gmail.com](mailto:fotwchair@gmail.com)

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Competitions

A warm feeling inside!

Over **£60m**  
raised for UK good causes

**£0**  
extra cost to anyone

### SUMMER FAIR SPONSORSHIP - WE DID IT!

Thank you to everyone who signed up to host a **Summer Fair sponsored board** ♥

We reached our **target of 50 homes** - plus one reserve!

Together that means we've successfully **hit our £1500 fundraising goal**. These sponsored boards help keep Summer Fair entry free and activities affordable for families. Local business opportunity:

**Would your business like to sponsor an area of the Summer Fair? Examples:**

- Café zone
- Bar
- Street food area

Cost: £350 per zone

**Sponsors receive:**

- banners and signage at the event
- newsletter mention
- Summer Fair publicity shout-outs

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### TEAM RAFFLE

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We're delighted to announce a new Summer Fair Raffle Team!

Leading the team will be **Anna**, a Year 4 parent who previously ran the raffle during Reception.

Joining Anna is a brilliant supergroup of: **Malwina, Sophie, Laura and Liz**

Together they bring fantastic experience across events, donations and previous raffles and we're delighted to have such a dedicated team supporting FOTW.

The team will begin raffle preparations over half term, including setting up a dedicated email address.

In the meantime, if you - or someone you know - can donate a raffle prize: [fotwchair@gmail.com](mailto:fotwchair@gmail.com)

- Raffle launch: 19 June
- Drawn: 11 July
- Prize collection from: 13 July

ANNA



LIZ



SOPHIE



MALWINA



### SUMMER FAIR DONATIONS ALERT



Volunteer sign-ups will launch after half term.

**Phase 1 donations:** Friday 26 June (non-uniform day)

We'd love: games, toys, raffle prizes

If possible, children can bring donations into school.

**Phase 2:** Uniform donations: week beginning 29 June

Baked goods: Friday 3 July (no nuts please + allergen info)

Street food donations: Saturday 4 July

### SUMMER FAIR VOLUNTEERS

**The Summer Fair is coming!**  
**Saturday 4 July, 12-3pm**

Whether you can help set up, pack down, run a stall or support for a short shift, we'd love your help.

Volunteer forms launch after May half term.



SAVE  
the DATE

**1-31 May**  
The Winns Readathon

**Friday 26th of June**  
School non-uniform day, donation where possible for Summer Fair

**Saturday 4 July**  
The Winns Summer Fair



# Sing Education Newsletter

## Music this term at The Winns

All students should feel really proud of how far they have come in music! 🎉 I was really impressed with the final result of the year 5 ensemble performance of "Juba Dance" by Florence Price and year 3 ensemble performance inspired by musical theatre. Well done Reception for listening and describing our listening tracks! I am really looking forward to next term when the Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 choir club children will be performing at the Soho theatre! Have a fantastic break! 😊

**Miss Helsing**



### What have we been doing in extra curricular?

I hear so much music as I am walking around The Winns. I am struck by the fun the children are having exploring different instruments and the amazing quality of the sound they are making! Well done if you have been learning an instrument this term! All of our choirs are having fun exploring the songs for The songs of the Forest Project, a suite of songs which explore and celebrate the wild places and open spaces in Waltham forest. The performance will take place on the 30th June at the Soho theatre along with many other schools from the borough as well as the Choir of Joy. Ticket details to follow...



## What have we been learning this half term?

In **Reception**, we focused on noticing and responding to patterns and changes in different pieces of recorded music. We used instruments to play in time and discussed how music can make us feel different emotions.

**Year 1** refined their pitch-matching skills by singing and playing on musical instruments. We prepared to sing and play simple melodies and harmonies by building on our knowledge of high and low pitches.

In **Year 2**, we developed our ensemble skills by playing and singing together whilst following a leader. We practised reading rhythms and improved our pitch-matching to perform confidently as a group.

**Year 3** explored the world of musical theatre and learnt about the different roles of the people who make musicals. We focused on using dynamics, such as forte and piano, to add emotion and meaning to our performances.

**Year 4** investigated classical music by exploring the contrasting qualities of legato and staccato articulation. We learnt to perform music using these different articulations to help convey emotions through our playing.

In **Year 5**, we developed our collaborative music-making skills by focusing on ensemble performances of classical music. We read staff notation from scores to help us sing, play, and learn our specific parts within the group.



**Singing Assembly Song of the Term:**

Live More and Love more by Cat Burns