



WINNS WEEKLY

17.7.2026

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Have a good weekend!



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DATES FOR DIARIES SEPTEMBER 2026

Wednesday 2nd September INSET Day (Staff only)

Thursday 3rd September Children return

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

END OF TERM MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

On behalf of all the staff at The Winns, we would like to wish you a wonderful summer break. We also want to say a huge thank you to everyone in our community for your continued support throughout the year. We are incredibly fortunate to be part of such a supportive and caring community, who enables us to do our work knowing we have such a strong network of support behind us.

Today, we say goodbye to our amazing Year 6 pupils. While farewells are always emotional, they are also moments of great pride as we see how confident and excited this group is for the next stage of their journey. Year 6 – it has been an absolute pleasure to have you at The Winns. You have consistently demonstrated our school values, and we know you will continue to make us proud as you grow into confident young adults ready to achieve great things. Always remember that we are here if you ever need us. A huge thank you also to the parents who are moving on. Whether you are moving home or simply coming to the end of your Winns journey, we hope you look back on your time with us as fondly as we will remember you.

As another school year comes to a close, we can reflect on a year full of achievements, challenges overcome and moments to celebrate. Watching our children grow in confidence, engage with their learning and embrace new challenges is a privilege and one of the reasons working in education is so rewarding.

While it's vital that children have opportunities to explore their talents and interests, it's equally important that they are supported by dedicated staff who encourage, challenge and inspire them. Nothing highlighted this more than watching our staff work in extreme temperatures during Summer 2, doing everything they could to keep our children calm, comfortable and regulated in



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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER (CONTINUED)

very challenging conditions. Our local shop did a roaring trade in bags of ice – iced foot spas, ice buckets, ice pops ... anything that could be done with ice, we did it!

One (though not the only) measure of a school's success is the Year 6 SATs results. We are incredibly proud that our pupils once again made excellent progress in reading, writing and maths, significantly exceeding national expectations for end-of-Year 6 outcomes. If you would like to see how our results compare nationally, please visit our website in September – they are impressive!

Finally, to FOTWs – what can we say? Your hard work, enthusiasm and determination have been truly amazing. The Winter and Summer Fairs were fantastic examples of our community spirit, not only raising valuable funds but also bringing everyone together to enjoy themselves. You continue to support us in so many ways, and we are hugely grateful. A huge shout-out to everyone who gives their time so generously – our wonderful librarians who quietly keep everything running behind the scenes, our weekly parent readers, those who help sort the mountain of unclaimed school uniform, our quiz team and those who have helped organise events for our children. Every contribution, big or small, makes a real difference to our school community. Thank you to everyone who continues to support us, and especially to our amazing co-chairs, Bisi and Vic. We simply couldn't do it without you.

We hope you all have the opportunity to relax, recharge and enjoy some special family time together. Please note that, in the event of an emergency during the holidays, you can contact us via the school office email office@winns.waltham.sch.uk

Thank you once again for being such an important part of The Winns community. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Thursday 3rd September.

CELEBRATING OUR YEAR 6 LEAVERS

This week at The Winns Primary School, we have celebrated our wonderful Year 6 leavers with a joyful end-of-year party and a special leavers' assembly. These events were a chance to reflect on the memories, achievements, and friendships the children have made during their time with us. It was a pleasure to see the children enjoying themselves, sharing laughter, and marking the end of this chapter together. We are immensely proud of each and every one of our Year 6 pupils. They have shown resilience, kindness, and determination, and they leave us ready to take on the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead as they move on to their secondary schools. We would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the parents and carers who have supported the children and the school throughout their time at The Winns. Your partnership has made a real difference, and we are grateful for your encouragement and involvement. Good luck Year 6 – we will miss you!



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NEW SKATEBOARD STORAGE ROLLS IN!

Our school continues to embrace active travel, and alongside the huge numbers of children who cycle and scoot to school each day, we're delighted to see a growing number arriving on skateboards too.

To help keep our playground safe, organised and clutter-free, we now have two fantastic new skateboard storage racks. Not only do they provide the perfect solution for storing skateboards securely, but they also look incredibly smart and have already proved a big hit with our pupils.

A huge thank you goes to Michael Eichler, one of our parents, who very generously gave up his time, expertise and carpentry skills to design and build the racks for us. Your kindness and support have made a real difference, and we are incredibly grateful for your contribution to our school community. Thank you, Michael!



YEAR 6 ROCK THE STAGE IN 'ROCKERFELLA' SPECTACULAR!

Our year 6 children took to the stage on Monday night to perform Rockerfella, a modern twist on the classic story of Cinderella. The children worked incredibly hard to put the performance together, and really showcased their many talents superbly well - everyone at The Winns is hugely proud of what the children have accomplished this year. We would also like to thank all the parents and families who came along to the performances to support the children as they near the end of their time in primary school. A huge thank you to the year 6 team as well - Mr Bishop, Miss Morris, Miss Seed, Daria, Louise, Kayda, Tanya and Merita have all helped to prepare the children so thoroughly. Well done year 6!



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FOTW SUMMER FAIR SPECIAL

WE'RE ALL FRIENDS OF THE WINNS

As the final receipts and expenses have been counted, we're so excited to share the incredible generosity of our Winns community. Together, this year's Summer Fair raised an **amazing £9,200 for the school** - our highest Summer Fair total ever!

The fair itself raised **£6,800**, while the raffle also had a record-breaking year, raising an incredible **£2,400**.

Every penny will go back into supporting the children through Friends of the Winns, and none of it would have been possible without the time, energy and brilliant humour of our incredible volunteers. Thank you, everyone.

£9200 RAISED

SUMMER FAIR CELEBRATION

Street Food

Thank you to **Emma, Stephen, Sabhi and Lewys** and **all your family** for the time, care and teamwork that went into your incredible pizza and hot dog offering. Not an easy ask in the sweltering heat! And you made it look effortless. **Thank you for sponsoring the street food zone.** Thank you to **Ifra and her family** for the incredible offerings of dumplings, samosas and spring rolls that you donated as a gift to school, cooked up and served to the school community.



Quiet Room

The Quiet room was transformed into a hive of gentle beach activity thanks to the efforts of **Julie, Sue and Marta** who organised Baker Ross themed crafted activities. FOTW were delighted to sponsor the cost of the craft - the Quiet room is such an important part of the fair. Parent carer volunteers supported the room and there was even a video screen of sea creatures to complete the space of calm. Thank you to the SEND and wellbeing team for organising this.



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Bar

Captained by the **brilliant James**, the bar was again a huge hit at the fair - offering something for everyone from Aperol spritz, Pimms to non-alcoholic beers, posh pop and squash. Shout out to the amazing **Cris** for her preparation of a delicious 5 litres of homemade sangria.



Café

Aka Cafe Tokeley, the cafe was stewarded under the experienced hand of family support officer, **Allison**. From cakes and bakes, to crisps and ice pops, the cafe was a cooldown space for many families. Thank you to all those who baked - the cookies and muffins and portuguese custard tarts are still being talked about!



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Bric-a-Brac

A huge thank you to **Tamsin, Clare and Jo** for an incredible set-up. With so much to sort, price and display on the day, it's always one of the biggest jobs of the fair. Thank you to Joe, Clare and Tamsin for transforming boxes of donations into a brilliant toy and bric-a-brac stall!



Face Painting

A huge thank you to **Ben**, who barely left the face-painting stall all day, and to **Ana and Leila**, who together painted hundreds of happy faces! We'd love to keep face painting at future fairs, so if you'd like to join the team, we'd love to hear from you. [✉](mailto:fotwchair@gmail.com)

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Books

Always a popular stand, it was great to see so many of you leave the fair with book purchases. Thank you **Merrick** for your incredible set-up and to team leads **Hannah and Henry** running the stall throughout the day.



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Games

Steered by the dynamic Games Master duo **Karen and Eleanor**, the games zone was a flurry of activity, nearing sunburn and above all, huge fun for the kids. Highlights included Lucky Shells hosted in the morning by **Peter and Lola**, Hook a Duck hosted by **Kelly**, the inflatables zone where the energy didn't stop thanks to **Brennan, Holly, Amy, Eleanor and Emily**. And thank you so much to **Veena and Marlene** who pulled off another incredible rendition of Treasure Maps including a generous donated hamper of fun prepared by them for the lucky winner. Huge thanks to **Veena and Marlene, Kelly, Amy, Eleanor, Peter and Emily**



Raffle

The newly formed Team Raffle smashed school raffle records with an **incredible** fundraise of **£2.4k** towards FOTW and manned a raffle station for the fair, sharing the great news of all the prizes they had acquired and inspiring people to buy an entry. Thank you for all your hard work - **Anna, Malwina, Liz, Laura and Sophie**. Thanks to all the businesses who sponsored the raffle. And big shout out to **Tesco Higham's park** who donated fruit and uniform to the school post fair.



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MC-ing

Showcasing the new portable PA system purchased for the school by FOTW, was **MC Joe**, sharing all the fair information to our visitors and keeping people in the loop. Thank you Joe!

Preloved

Team preloved are one of the teams we've been reporting on in the run up to the fair - there is a lot of work of sorting and washing and then organising the uniforms and it was brilliant to see so many people able to buy quality second hand **uniform for 50p**, even if it felt odd to be buying jumpers in a heatwave! **Myfanwy thanks for being the team lead for the fair.**



Musical performances

A huge thank you to **Fiona H** for preparing both the children's and staff choirs—you were all fantastic. Thank you too to Oscar and the Front Row Music team for bringing together so many talented ukulele and guitar players, and to **Lloyd** for organising the woodwind performances. The afternoon finished with another Winter Fair favourite - the KX open piano sessions.

Parking

A special thank you to **Ewa**, who saved the day by arranging parking for the Bric-a-Brac and Street Food teams, and very kindly covering those costs.



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Volunteer Honour Roll

Alongside everyone already mentioned above, we'd also like to thank the following volunteers who helped organise, support and deliver the Summer Fair:

ROLLY
ISABEL
BRENNAN
ANDREW F
JONATHAN
FIONA
ANDREW B
THEO
GRACE
CRIS
SAVINA
MARTINA
STEPHEN
BRIDIE
CATHERINE
ANISSA
VERONICA
TOBY
SHELBY
JULIANO

ANDREW T
BARBARA
ELLI
ORR
KATERINA
AMELIE
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CHLOE
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JOE
RICHARD
JACK
LOLA
CARRIE
MANNY

NIAMH
JULIA
FRANCES
SIOBHAN
ALIYA
AMY
ALEX
GEORGE W
MARY
EVE
MIKE W
NATASHA
KERRY ANNE
BEA
CAROLINE
SANJIV
ANNA
ALEX
STEPH
LAURA L

And thank you to everyone who baked, donated, sorted, hosted a sponsored sign or simply came along and supported the fair.
We couldn't do it without you.



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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS

Thank You to Our Sponsors

A huge thank you to the businesses who supported this year's Summer Fair and helped us keep entry free and activities affordable for everyone.

- Plus Rooms - Sponsored Signs
- The Stow Brothers - Star Raffle Prize
- Many Hands Mortgages - Bar
- Breezy Days Childcare & Auntie Lew's Childminding – Street Food
- Central Estates - Café
- Tesco Forest Road - Free-from goodies



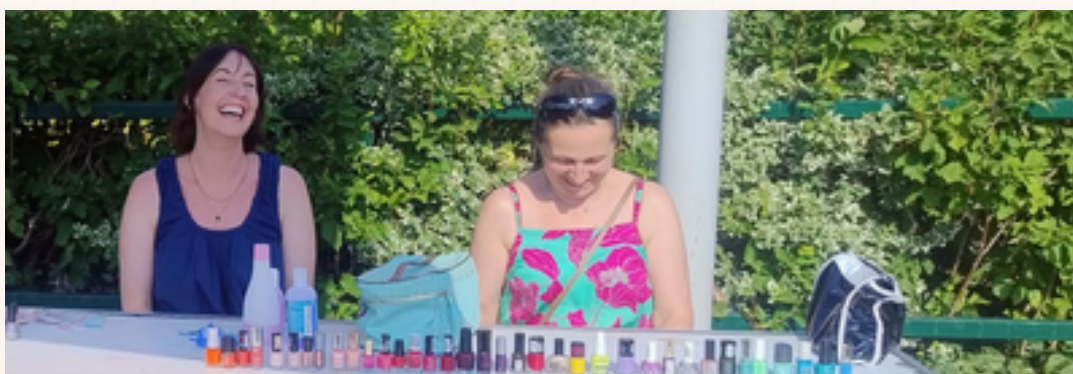
Thank you for supporting our school community.



Leavers' BBQ

On Tuesday evening, another fantastic team of FOTW volunteers helped support **the school's Leavers' BBQ**. Alongside the school's celebrations, **FOTW provided games, activities and a mocktail stand** with specially themed drinks, helping to give our **Year 6 children** a wonderful send-off.

A huge thank you to **Lisa, Ami, Esther, Sophie, Malwina, Martina, Kathy and Vicky**. A very special thank you also goes to **Eleanor**, who organised the volunteers, bought all the drinks, sourced the activities, created the brilliant mocktail menu and still found time to make jelly shots!



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Readathon - the winners in pictures!

Delighted to be able to capture and share the winners in action - 6PB, 5JH, 3CS and 4KB.

Reception, year 1 and year 2 all received their sharing anthologies this week - happy reading!

Final total raised from the Readathon was £2711!

Thank you 3CS for sharing and showing the books you bought with your Waterstones voucher!



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School Gardening Volunteers

an you spare just one hour over the summer holidays?



As our school gardens continue to grow, so does the workload for our fantastic Site Services team, led by Manny, Juliano and Joao. We're looking for volunteers to help water the garden borders during the holidays, allowing the team to focus on maintaining the larger green spaces.

No gardening experience needed!
If you can help for an hour on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday, we'd love to hear from you:
site.services@winns.waltham.sch.uk

Friends of the Winns AGM

We're delighted to be planning this year's Friends of the Winns AGM.

Tuesday 22 September (Date TBC!)

The AGM will include:

- Meet and greet (with plenty of snacks!)
- Miss Judge sharing the school's priorities for 2026/27
- Annual review from co-chairs Bisi and Vic
- Finance update from Matt
- Questions, ideas and feedback from the school community

Further details will follow.



Tour de Winns Returns!

Pending final council approval...

We're delighted to be planning **the 3rd annual Tour de Winns**, this year moving to Saturday 26 September.

The event will include:

- Sponsored cycling laps
- Cycling activities
- Event village
- Café
- Mini raffle
- Sponsored signs

We'll soon be looking for volunteers, sponsors and marshals.

Reception Coffee Morning

We'll once again be welcoming **new Reception families** with our annual Friends of the Winns Coffee Morning.

A chance to meet other families, chat with the committee and find out more about what Friends of the Winns do. **Friday 2 October**



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the DATE

Tuesday 22 September - FOTW AGM

Saturday 26 September - Tour de Winns!

Friday 2 October - Reception Coffee Morning