★★★ Last week's whole school attendance: 96.1% ★★★

WINNS WEEKLY

6.11.2026

¡Buen fin de semana!

Spanish
Have a good weekend!



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DATES FOR DIARIES WB 9.11.2026

Monday 9th November	After school clubs restart
	5ED Swimming (all week)
	6AM Museum of London Docklands trip
	Nursery Autumn Park Walk
Tuesday 10th November	Individual & sibling photos
Thursday 12th November	6PB Class Assembly (9:10am)
Friday 13th November	6PB Museum of London Docklands trip

Please remember to subscribe to **our online calendar** so that you receive automatic updates into your own calendar.

SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING: CELEBRATING DIWALI

Our Nursery and Year 1 children have been getting creative while learning about Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights!

Nursery created some wonderful diva lamps, while Year 1 coloured their own diya lamp designs and decorated their hands with colourful patterns inspired by rangoli. These activities offered a lovely opportunity to explore some of the traditions and symbols associated with this special celebration. Well done to our young artists!

Unfortunately, Year 3's planned Diwali workshop has been rearranged, but we look forward to sharing their experience once it takes place next week.

Happy Diwali to all our families celebrating! We hope you have a wonderful time with family and friends.





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MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION

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FRIENDS OF THE WINNS NEWS



Funding Priorities!

Following the publication of our AGM minutes last week, we're pleased and proud to share **FOTW's funding commitments for 2026–2027**. These include:

- A major funding commitment alongside the school for the continued **improvement and redevelopment of the main playground**, including the development of trim trails around the school perimeter and improved shading. [Costings and plans are currently being developed.]
- Co-funding **coaches for the Year 6 Treginnis trip** with the school, thus bringing down the cost for all families.
- Co-funding **six pupil places** for the Year 6 Treginnis trip.
- Ad hoc funding for **additional school workshops and year group trips**, over and above the current school provision.
- Funding for **interactive school play equipment.**
- Funding for a **school PA system.**
- Funding for **new sports tabards** for the school.
- Holding a **funding reserve for Team Library** to make ad hoc improvements to the library, including purchasing non-fiction books and equipment.



Team Christmas Cards

Katharine, our Christmas cards team lead, has been doing a superb job liaising with classes and teachers to organise the pupil-produced festive cards. **We've changed provider this year following delivery issues** with our previous one. Christmas card designs are out and the online shop is now open! Information slips have gone home in children's bags, with all ordering steps clearly printed on your child's order card. **Order by 11 November midday for earlier delivery to school!** The shop will reopen briefly towards the end of the month.

Link to the cards website is here

A wonderful opportunity to celebrate the artistic endeavours of your small people, stock up on Christmas cards and raise funds for Friends of the Winns!

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Treats in Store for You at the Winter Fair!

- **Fully stocked bar** with mulled wine and plenty of non-alcoholic options.
- **Café Tokeley** with its famous hot chocolate, whipped cream and sprinkles,
- plus donated baked goods!
- **Santa's Grotto Extravaganza 2026** taking place in the Reception playground!
- **Someone Special** - a kids-only space where children can choose a present for
- their grown-up, beautifully gift-wrapped for them at a very low price.
- **Festive games and bouncy castle** for plenty of fun!
- **External vendors** with festive gifts to browse.
- **Raffle** - our raffle team is already hard at work pulling together a brilliant array of goodies to win!



Street Food - Advance Call-Out!

Emma and Sahbi, stalwarts and legends of our Street Food Team, **will be taking a pause** from leading the food preparations for this year's Winter Fair.

We're actively looking to recruit a new team of volunteers who can be shown the ropes by Emma and Sahbi, helping to prepare and cook food for the Winter Fair. The menu usually includes **soups, hot dogs and samosas.**
If you're interested in joining the team, please email **fotwchair@gmail.com**.

Our wider volunteer appeal will launch on **Friday 6 November**, with online sign-up sheets!

Volunteer Appeal Launch!

We need **100 volunteers across the Winter Fair - from set-up to stalls, games, food and pack-down** - to bring the festive magic to the Winns! Volunteer forms launched this week via the staffroom, and now comes the time to **bring in our parent-carer community!**

Here's the link to our parent-carer volunteer form, which we are **keeping open until Wednesday 26 November.**

Volunteer packs and allocations will land w/c 30 November.



Please do keep the time slot you've signed up for free - we deeply appreciate your help!



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Winter Fair Signs Appeal

We're delighted to share that **construction firm Plusrooms** has come back on board to sponsor signage for this year's Winter Fair. **We can raise £1,500 if 50 sponsor homes** come forward.

All we ask is that you have space somewhere in your home's outdoor area (ideally not tarmac), and that you'd be happy to have a sign for a six-week campaign **running from 16 November to 28 December.** If you rent, please seek permission from your landlord before agreeing to a sign. Deadline to sign up: **6pm, Tuesday 10 November.**

We will be sending an email out to our signs mailing list. **If you're on the mailing list and don't wish to have a sign, please let us know via fotwvictoria@gmail.com.**

If you're new to sign sponsoring and happy to come on board, please get in touch with your name, full postal address and postcode at the email address above. Thanks, everyone!

Grotto Present Wrapping

Come and join the Winter Fair festive fun with a night of **chat, connection, wrapping and a lot of laughter** as we come together at the **Dog & Duck pub on Chingford Road. Wednesday 25 November, 7pm.**

We wrap all the gifts for the Someone Special gift shop, plus the gifts the children receive via Santa's Grotto. The more the merrier, **all are welcome!**





Dates for your diaries!

Wednesday 11 November, 12noon:
Christmas Cards order deadline

Wednesday 25 November, 7pm
Grotto present-wrapping evening, Dog & Duck Pub, Chingford Road

Friday 27 November:
Donations Day (non-uniform instead of a donation)

Saturday 5 December:
Winter Fair, 12-3PM (SEND early opening 11.30am)