



Monday 22nd July

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Stars of the Half Term

Very well done to this half term's Stars: Alfie, Ruby, Matilda, Freddie, Harper-Lynn, Harli, Harry, Ruby, Lilly-Rae, Chantelle, Harry, Jacob, Isla and Daisy. We have been so impressed with your hard work and fantastic attitude towards your learning this half term.

SATS Results and Year 6

Well done to all the children in Year 6, and the staff who have worked with them, for some fantastic end of year outcomes!

Year 6 Results Summary	Reading at the expected standard	Writing at the expected standard	Maths at the expected standard	SPaG at the expected standard	Reading, Writing, Maths combined
Winnington Park Primary	85%	85%	87%	81%	76%
National	74%	72%	73%	72%	61%

We are very proud of the children in Year 6, not just for their SATS results, but for the young people they are turning out to be. There are far more qualities, attributes and skills that we endeavor to instill in our pupils than can be defined in a set of test results, but when the children's hard work is so clearly reflected in their attainment, their efforts should be celebrated. We wish Year 6 every success as they move to their new schools in September.

Staffing Updates

Congratulations to Mrs Norris and her husband who are expecting a baby in December; we are all very happy for you! Miss Evans is getting married in August and will return as Mrs Williams; Miss Wade is getting married and will return as Mrs Carson-Wade. Congratulations to both Miss Evans and Miss Wade. We hope the celebrations are fantastic and wish them every happiness moving forward. We welcome Miss Croucher and Mr Sutton to the staff team. Miss Croucher will be teaching Year 5 next year and Mr Sutton will be our new caretaker.

Finally, Mrs Whalley is retiring from WPPS&N after 30 years at the school, 26 of which have been as a Midday Assistant. Mrs Whalley has been a wonderful member of the team, with her kind, caring and considerate approach towards the children. School will feel different without her; we will really miss her and wish her a long and happy retirement.

PTA

Today the children enjoyed a special treat from the ice cream van courtesy of the PTA. Thank you to everyone in the PTA for their fantastic fundraising work over the last year. Their wonderful efforts and your generosity in supporting the events makes such a difference to the experience of the children in school. We are very grateful to everyone involved in the PTA and truly appreciate all they do for the school.

There will be a PTA used uniform sale on Wednesday 4th September after school, if you would like to pick up some cheap good quality uniform for the new year.

The Library Service Summer Reading Challenge

The Challenge (4- to 12-year-olds) and Mini Challenge (Under 4s) are entirely free. Children are given a collector's pack for starting and stickers every time they read two books. After reading six books, they are given a certificate and a medal. Any books qualify, from the library or not, and can be in print, digital, or audio form. Follow [this link](#) for more information.

School Opening Hours in September

From September, for all pupils from Nursery to Reception, the school day will be from 8.45am to 3.15pm.

School Gates Open 8.30am	Classroom Doors Open 8.40am	School Starts & Registers 8.45am	School Gates Open 3.05pm	School Finishes 3.15pm
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Family Picnic Tomorrow and School Closure at 1.15pm

The weather looks good and we expect the Family Picnic to go ahead tomorrow. Field gates will open at 12:00pm. The children will be brought out by their teachers, then sit with their families. If families can't attend, the children will stay in class groups with their teacher. After eating, all pupils will return to class for their afternoon registration and then be available for collection in the normal way at 1.15pm. Families stay on the field whilst children return to their classrooms. All pupils will need collecting. Winnington Winners after school club will only be open for the morning session tomorrow.

Safeguarding Message

Over the Summer children may be given more freedom to explore for themselves and all children may end up spending more time online than usual. The Safeguarding Children in Education Team have asked us to remind parents: Do you know where your children are? Do you know what they are doing? Are your children keeping themselves safe online? We want everyone to have a positive Summer.

Summer Holiday Dates

School closes for the Summer tomorrow, on **Tuesday 23rd July at 1.15pm**. School reopens to children for the new school year on **Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 8.45am**.

Thank You

We are very lucky to have such a caring, committed, hardworking and professional staff at our school. The staff team has many varied roles, with each playing a vital role in our pupil's education and the smooth running of the school. Thank you to all those who work in the classroom, but also our site staff, those in the kitchen, the office, our MDAs, the staff at Winners, our Governing Board and our volunteers. Thank you also to all our families, whose support for school and their children's learning makes such a difference. I hope you all have fantastic summer!

Your sincerely,

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