



# Winchelsea Primary School



*'All individuals matter'*

September 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! We are excited for the new academic year. We have enjoyed welcoming the children into school and settling them into their new classes. Part of our settling in time has been establishing and recapping new rules and routines. This includes safety online, in and around school, behaviour expectations and using good manners. Your child's learning for the term, alongside the termly newsletters, can be found on their class pages via our school website:

<https://www.winchelsea.lincs.sch.uk/page/?title=Class+Pages&pid=38>

Our staff enjoyed having Jonathan Broom-Edwards, a gold medal winning Paralympian, deliver an inspirational talk about having a 'gold winning mindset' on our training day. This is something that we will be focusing on with the children too. We aim to encourage every adult and child to be their best so that we can ignite a champion in everyone. We will continue to celebrate our passions and talents in Friday assemblies, sharing trophies, medals, awards and achievements. Please send in photos or encourage your child to bring awards in to share with us all. Our motto 'all individuals matter' continues to be our main focus so that we can celebrate differences, nurture and challenge everyone so that they can achieve and be their best.

## New provision

We are excited to announce that Mr Roberts from Lincolnshire Music Service will deliver music lessons to the whole school, which will include learning a range of instruments, skills and knowledge. Each class will showcase what they have learnt with parents during the final week of every term.

We have some extra learning spaces in school to allow staff to deliver additional enhancements. These are not just for children who have additional needs, these also support children who are aiming for a higher level of learning or children who may need a little extra support to build confidence.

## Phonics

We have a new phonics scheme this year, which is called Read, Write Inc. Parents of children who are in Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1 will receive a letter about these changes and an invite to attend our parent information sessions on the 23<sup>rd</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> of September.



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## Communication

Last year, we received feedback from parents and staff on how best we can communicate. We are in the process of moving over to a new online system which will allow parents to use an app. We had intended to launch this at the beginning of term, but we have had some issues. Attached is some guidance on who to contact for various scenarios and we hope to provide further information about our new app when it is ready to launch.

Kind regards Mrs T Boulter, Headteacher

## Diary Dates

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>  
September Y5  
swimming  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>  
September  
School Council  
Election day

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
September PGL  
for KS2 /  
Diamond parent  
afternoon tea/  
meet the  
Headteacher  
2.45pm

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
September -  
Phonics  
information  
meeting 9.00am  
in the hall / Year  
4 swimming  
begins

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>  
September -  
Phonics  
information  
meeting 3.30pm  
in the hall

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> &  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>  
October -  
Parents evening  
face to face

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>  
October -  
Individual  
photographs

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>  
October - Opal  
& Amethyst  
parental  
engagement  
afternoon

## Winchelsea News in pictures

Our children have enjoyed teamwork in P.E, making body percussion in music, forest school, computing, exploring our environment in EYFS and more!



## Preloved uniform

If you need any preloved uniform, please visit the school office to collect items. These have all been washed and are in excellent condition.



## Safety around school

Please do not park or wait on any double yellow or zig zag lines outside of school.

We have had reports from residents of dangerous parking and speeding outside of school which poses a safety risk to our children and families.



## FOWS news (Friends of Winchelsea School)

Our first meeting of the year is Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September in school at 5.45pm.

We welcome any current and new parents to join us in our mission to raise money and provide enriching and exciting opportunities for our children.

Our first event is the Halloween disco on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.



## Attendance

Our attendance is **97%**

We are not allowed to authorise any holidays during term time due to the national agenda to improve school attendance.