



Winchelsea Primary School

'All individuals matter'

May 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 5 is well underway, and we are delighted to welcome Mr Delaney who will be our Year 5 teacher for the remainder of this academic year and Miss El'Bikam as our new Safeguarding and Inclusion Lead. Our value for this term is Integrity, which we will be exploring in our assemblies and daily school life. We have been reminding the children that integrity means telling the truth and making the right choices at all times. Importantly, this also means doing the right thing even when no one is watching.

This term has already been packed full of exciting and enriching opportunities for our children, including whole-school cooking workshops with Roots2food, a special visit for Forces children, dance competitions, and new lunchtime activities. These include a weekly playground Zumba session, led by Miss Al'Bikam, which has been extremely popular with the children.

VE Day Celebration

This year's VE Day celebrations will take place in school on Friday 8th May. All children will take part in a range of activities planned by Miss Stewart and bring a keepsake home. Photos will follow on our Facebook page.

Parent Governor Elections

Mr Chris Alsop has been appointed as the new Parent Governor, following a tied vote that was decided by drawing a name at random. Thank you to both candidates and to everyone who voted. Governors play a vital role in ensuring high-quality education and accountability for our school, we look forward to working with Mr Alsop and the team.

Online Safety Reminder

We have recently received several reports of children being unkind to one another on WhatsApp groups, including adding people they may not know. We are also aware of children watching 18-rated films and playing 18-rated online games.

This is a safeguarding concern and can expose children to content that is inappropriate and potentially harmful. We ask parents and carers to closely monitor their child's online activity, including messaging apps, games, and streamed content, and to ensure that age restrictions and parental controls are followed. Working together to keep children safe online is vital, and we appreciate your continued support with this. Please see the attached flyer for details of our upcoming Online Safety event, which will provide advice for parents and carers, along with an opportunity to ask questions.

Important Assessment Weeks

Key Stage 2 SATs assessments will take place during the week beginning 11th May. The Year 1 Phonics Screening Check and the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check will also take place this term.

All other year groups will be assessed again at the end of June. All writing assessments are moderated with an external moderator to ensure the accuracy and reliability of our assessment data.

Assessment outcomes will be shared with parents and carers in the end-of-year reports, which will be sent out on Friday 10th July 2026.

Mental Health Awareness Week

Mental Health Awareness Week will take place during the week beginning 11th May. Throughout the week, children will take part in a range of activities focused on wellbeing, emotional health, and positive mental health.

Non uniform day

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 15th May. Children are invited to bring in a chocolate donation in support of our Chocolate Bingo event for the prizes. All proceeds raised will go towards funding activities, trips, and additional resources to benefit all our children. Thank you for your continued support.

Arbor App

We are now using the Arbor app as our main communication and management system. While there have been a few initial teething problems, the app will be used for booking clubs, making payments, giving consent, and sharing important information. We kindly ask parents and carers to check the app regularly for updates and messages. Thank you for your patience and support as we continue to embed this new system.

Please find on the next page, a series of dates for the summer term.

Kind regards
Mrs T Boulter

Summer dates for your diary!

Friday 8th May – Cricket Festival KS1 AM & KS2 PM / VE Day
Monday 11th May – SATS week commences
Tuesday 12th May – YR1 Fairfield Community Farm
Friday 15th May – Tri Golf KS1 AM KS2 PM
Friday 15th May – Non uniform Day exchange for chocolate
Monday 18th May – YR2/3 Fairfield Community Farm
Monday 18th May – YR5/6 Healthy Lifestyle Workshops
Monday 18th May – Emerald Parental Engagement 2.30
Monday 18th May – Girls Cricket Event / open the book special assembly
Monday 18th & Friday 22nd May - Home visits for New Reception children and families
Tuesday 19th May – Sapphire Parental Engagement 2.30
Tuesday 19th May – Quartz Swimming Lessons start
Thursday 21st May – Diamond Parental Engagement 9.15
Thursday 21st May – Amethyst Parental Engagement 2.30
Friday 22nd May – YR5/6 Cricket Event
Friday 22nd May - Chocolate Bingo Night FOWS 6-7.30pm
Friday 22nd May – Term 5 ends

Monday 1st June – Term 6 begins
Wednesday 3rd June – Rhubarb Theatre Workshops
Friday 5th June – EYFS Multi Skills Event
Monday 8th June – 2.30 Parents Coffee Session / Phonics Screening checks in Year 1
Thursday 11th June – Mini Olympics YR4
Friday 12th June – New Spikeball & Street Racket YR5/6 event
Tuesday 16th June & Thursday 18th June – Carres & KSHS taster day
Wednesday 17th June & Thursday 18th June Lincolnshire Show (Year 6 group attend)
Friday 19th June – X Fit Games Primary Clusters Event
Monday 22nd June & Tuesday 23rd – YR6 Induction Evening at Carres / World Music Day / Armed Forces Day
Tuesday 23rd June HSBC bank workshops KS1
Wednesday 24th June – YR6 Induction Evening at KSHS
Friday 26th June – YR6 induction day at their secondary schools
Friday 26th June - Tennis Event at Sleaford Tennis Club
Tuesday 30th June – KSHS & Carres YR5 Open day & open evening
Tuesday 30th June - Amethyst swimming lessons start / HSBC bank workshops KS2

Wednesday 1st – KSHS & Carres open day / Sports Day
Thursday 2nd – Carres open day
Thursday 2nd July – Online Safety Workshops
Friday 3rd July - Sports Crew Community Games Day
Thursday 9th July Year 6 Gala Dinner Meal
Friday 10th July - Class swap/welcome morning / Reports go out
Friday 10th July – Athletics YR5/6 at Navenby Primary
Monday 13th July Bowling treat for TTrockstar winners
Wednesday 15th July Sports Day back up date
Thursday 16th July Year 6 treat day
Friday 17th July – C4L American Sports Primary Clusters
Friday 17th July – Miss Stewart Farewell event
Monday 20th July Upper KS2 Performance 2.00pm
Tuesday 21st July Upper KS2 Performance 5.00pm
Wednesday 22nd July – 9.00am Year 6 Leavers assembly / Last day of term

Thursday 3rd September 2026 Back to school

Attendance

Our attendance is

96.3%

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

If you wish to request leave, you must contact the office for an exceptional leave form.

FOWS news (Friends of School)

Chocolate Bingo
Friends of Winchelsea Primary School (FOWS) have been very busy planning our upcoming Chocolate Bingo event, which will take place on Friday 22nd May. Tickets are on sale now, so don't miss out on what promises to be a fun evening for all!

Ice Lolly Fridays Ice Lolly Fridays Are Back!

Ice Lolly Fridays have returned! Ice lollies will be on sale every Friday, priced between 30p and £1.

If you would like to join FOWS, email FOWs@winchelsea.lincs.sch.uk

Exciting news!

We are excited to announce that we will be welcoming a therapy dog into school very soon. Albie the dog will be joining our school family, and we are very much looking forward to the positive impact he will have on our children's wellbeing. Mrs Houlden, Miss El'Bikam and Mrs Boulter will be trained in Dog therapy, and Albie will be our new school pet.



Winchelsea Photo Gallery!

