



# Winterbourne News



Winterbourne Earls Church of England Primary School, Summerlug, Winterbourne Earls, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 6HA

## Summer 2—End of Year Review 2025

Dear Parents

Your children are amazing and I would like to start this newsletter by celebrating a brilliant year for all of them. [Incredible National results](#) and in-school end of year results reflect the success across every class. This year our focus as a school has been Assessment for Learning which means that secure understanding of every child has been at the forefront of every lesson, with support given where needed and encouragement offered to extend or improve their learning. The teaching staff have all embraced different aspects of this and it is now embedded. Attitudes to learning are exceptional and calm classes with focused and enthusiastic children means that school is a happy place where children are succeeding.

I will always fight for the best for you as families and would like to reinforce how hard it is to make financial decisions in the light of budgets being squeezed. Retaining the very best staff is a non-negotiable but ensuring efficiencies means that something has to be squeezed. For instance, through persistence in making applications for funding, we have kindly been offered donations from Bradbeers, Salisbury Radio and The Mary Butler Trust which will subsidise the Y6 residential, swimming and our chaplain. We will be publishing our Affordable School Strategy in September. Please note we are very aware of affordability but keen to still offer memorable trips. These are heavily subsidised by FOWES, without whose vital support we would not be able to offer such key opportunities. We have liaised with parents over a new two night residential opportunity for Y4. We consider this offer key to be available for all and will ensure that any family struggling with payment will be supported, if we are approached. If we had more parents/grandparents join FOWES then we would still be able to run the big events which raise money for both essentials and treats. Please consider seriously just offering your time in support of our small committee who are feeling very overstretched at present.

We are very sad that Georg, our much-loved chaplain, has been offered a leadership opportunity with The Bridge in partnership with St Paul's church. This is an exciting step for Georg, but we will all miss her warm, caring personality exuding the love of God. I'm sure you will join me in wishing her the very best for her new adventure. I'm hoping that she will still pop in to see us in her new role. We will be letting you know the name of our new chaplain as soon as the appointment is confirmed.

Please join us in congratulating Miss Barber, who has been an outstanding Early Career Teacher and has passed her training with flying colours. Mrs Bailey has also successfully completed her training and will be embarking on the Early Career training herself. Both teachers demonstrate the values we hold dear and have gone out of their way to develop warm caring relationships with our children and their families.

May I take this opportunity to wish our amazing Year 6 leavers the very best wishes for their next school adventure; they will be missed!

Please enjoy a restful holiday. As ever, we monitor our [admin@winterbourneearls.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@winterbourneearls.wilts.sch.uk) emails over the break and we will happily address any safeguarding needs or family worries, where needed.



# Winterbourne News



Winterbourne Earls Church of England Primary School, Summerlug, Winterbourne Earls, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 6HA

## Summer 2—End of Year Review 2025

### Headteacher's End of Term Awards

YR Sophie, Evie  
Y1 Oliver, Locryn  
Y2 Imogen, Sebastian  
Y3 Ralphy, Tobi  
Y4 Ted, Seren  
Y5 Dylan S, Tara  
Y6 Eliza, Betsy

### Citizenship Awards

YR Henry B  
Y1 Jessica  
Y2 Isabelle  
Y3 Anna  
Y4 Aoife  
Y5 Amelia  
Y6 Harry H

A huge well done to all those who were awarded certificates and congratulations to Cherry Class who won the coveted Golden Dustpan.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY .....**

Mon 1st September - TD Day - no children in school  
Tues 2nd September - First day of Autumn Term  
Thurs 11th September - FoWES AGM @ 18:00  
Weds 17th September - Individual Photographs  
Sat 20th September - FoWES Quiz Night  
Thurs 23rd October - Half-Term (23rd Oct - Fri 31st Oct incl)



# Faith in Focus

## A message from Georg Knight, our School Chaplain



It's been another great year of Chaplaincy for me at WE. I've particularly loved going into Yr6 weekly to introduce them to their Bibles that were given to them at the beginning of the academic year. We've pulled out verses and stories and applied them to their lives, hoping to equip them for their journey to secondary school in September. I have done interactive Easter lessons and many fun collective worships as well as the monthly Messy Church which remains a huge success.

Much of my time has been spent with individual pupils, who for a variety of reasons have benefited from some concentrated time with a trusted adult. It has been a real privilege to spend time with them all and journey with them through this year.

What a fab year!

## School Lunches

From September 2025, school lunches will be provided by Clever Chefs. Menus are changed twice a year after the Easter and October half term. All menus are nut-free and can be adapted to provide for children with specialist dietary requirements. The cost for school meals in the new term (September 2025) will be £2.70 for Years 3 – 6 (KS2). Children in Years R – 2 (KS1) are entitled to a free school meal.

Payments and selection of meals can be made using the SchoolMoney System - <https://eduspot.co.uk/schoolmoney/>. All parents are issued with an account by the School Business Manager. If you have any issues or queries, please contact the school office.

Details about Clever Chefs can be found on their website: <https://www.cleverchefs.co.uk/primary-schools> Clever Chefs serve a number of the Pickwick Academy Trust schools and provide a dedicated menu which may be different to that posted on their website. A link to the menus and allergen information can be found on the school website: <https://www.winterbourneearls.org/school-lunches/>

## **POLITE NOTICE - SCHOOL DROP-OFF/COLLECTION & PARKING**

Parents are asked to be mindful of local residents at all times and to be respectful of our neighbours by not blocking access to private driveways. You are also reminded that the approach road leading to the school entrance, and the car park are for staff parking only. This is to minimise the amount of traffic around the school gates. Parents should **not** enter the car park to drop off/collect children unless previously arranged with the Headteacher.

Safety of children is paramount and you should ensure that children are properly supervised when alighting from vehicles and when walking into/out of school. Children and visitors should use the school pathway and should avoid crossing the car park. Parents should accompany their children on to school grounds and not leave them to come in unattended.

When parking in Summerlug, parents are asked to ensure that they do not impede pavements or block access for residents.

# Classroom News

## Year R — Oak Class

As our last term in Oak Class draws to a close, we have reflected over the year and how we have changed and grown. The term's focus on Transport and Change has allowed us opportunities to develop our writing and mathematical skills through a range of cross curricular challenges, our personal, social and emotional development through use of our Car Wash and Car Garage role play areas and continued development of both gross and fine motor development in our everyday tasks. We have visited our new classrooms and got to know our new teachers and enjoyed a River Trip with our Buddies as they too look forward to their next adventure.



## Year 1 - Cherry Class

It has been a busy time for Yr1. This term, we baked our own bread from scratch and also spent time learning about the history of our school, from when it was opened by the Church over 150 years ago through to it moving to the current site in 1996. We are very grateful not to be Victorian school children!

Yr1 have read several Winnie the Pooh stories and learnt about the real bear who inspired Christopher Robin to name his bear Winnie. The bear was called Winnipeg who lived with her friend on Salisbury Plain around 100 years ago.

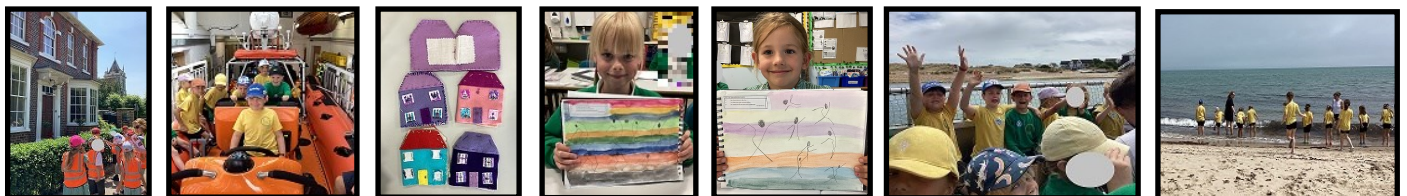
We have worked on improving our underarm and overarm throwing, and building our athletic skills. Finishing with some enjoyable whole-class games in the last week of term.



## Year 2 — Silver Birch Class

Yr2 have spent an interesting time looking at the history of our own village. We met with members of the Bourne Valley Historical Society who helped us by looking through photographs and reading first-hand accounts from people who once lived here. We also conducted our own research. In other lessons we have learnt about statistics and computer programming helped by Yr6 whilst in PE we worked on athletics ready for Sports Day as well as tennis.

We ended the year with an amazing trip to Mudeford where we learned all about water safety from both the RNLI and National Coastguard Institute. We really enjoyed the ferry and land train rides and finished off with a paddle and an ice-cream!



## Year 3 - Rowan Class

Y3 have been studying the environment and history of our local area which they finished up with a trip to the Salisbury Water Meadows . We learnt about farming methods and how they have changed. We also learnt about the meadow drownings.



## Year 4— Beech Class

Y4 have continued their sporting success this half term by coming second in the Salisbury School Games Quad Kids Athletics competition - a fantastic achievement with some much bigger schools taking part. The class have written their own Beowulf myths and shared them with Y3 as well as recently finishing their letter of introduction to Miss Barber ready for September.

They have finished off the term by attempting a teamwork challenge to build a 'tent' from nothing but newspaper and masking tape; a great end to the year.



## Year 5 — Willow Class

Y5 has had a whirlwind of a last term - we have sailed across the North Atlantic and learnt all about the Titanic and why people choose to travel. We have loved exploring all different aspects of this event: the materials used for construction, the reason for so many lives lost, and the changes that were made as a result of the disaster. Building on this, Y5 have enjoyed a trip to the SeaCity Museum in Southampton (travelling by train!), a Titanic dress-up day, a South Wilts Grammar School science session and so much more. What a crazy term to end an amazing year!!!



# Classroom News

## Year 6 — Sycamore Class

Y6's half term has been action packed. They have all completed stages 1 and 2 of Bikeability which is a fantastic achievement. The morning activities for Sports Day were created and run by Y6 pupils. Every child in the school benefitted from their leadership and enthusiasm. The highlight of the half term was the spectacular Y6 production 'The Pirates of the Curry Bean'. They created all the backdrops and props as well as dealing with the technical aspects of the production. Every pupil sparkled on stage through their acting and singing; we were very proud of them all. It was wonderful to see them so confident and working so well as a team.

All pupils are ready for the next step in their educational journey and we wish them all the very best.



**WOW** once again it's been a busy year for **FoWES!** With your help and support we've raised an amazing amount through a variety of events. You can see how we raised funds and helped the school on our 2024/2025 Review

Thank you from **The FoWES Team**



The FoWES AGM is on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 18:00 (6pm). We have lost a number of members from the present committee as their children move on to other schools and are desperately in need of new committee members. **Can you help?** To ensure that we can maintain our level of support to the whole school family we really do need some volunteers. All committee roles are voted in annually at the AGM.

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings and we'd love to see you. If you'd like to be part of the committee or can help in any way, do please make contact.

Enjoy your summer and once again. **THANK YOU** for your continued support! If you are interested in being part of the FoWES team, please contact

[fowes@winterbourneearls.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:fowes@winterbourneearls.wilts.sch.uk)



## 2024/2025 in Review

### WHAT WE DID

Fireworks  
£3727.12

Bag2School  
£61.60

Quiz Night  
£913.87

Autumn  
Colours Day  
£115.50

Wear What  
You Love  
£98

Disco  
£66

Figsbury  
Challenge  
£1,170.64

Smarties  
Challenge  
£261.15

Grand Total  
£8,813.43

Sports Day  
Refreshments  
£119.74

Tuck Shop  
£520.50

### WHAT WE'VE SPENT

Trip Subsidies  
£1400

Panto &  
Workshop  
£974

Dyslexia  
Books  
£267

Handbells  
£130

Leaver  
Hoodies  
£500

Reading  
Books  
£1000

Feather  
Flags  
£443.52

Log seats  
£400

### PLEGGED

Sports  
Kit  
£1500

Shade  
Sails  
£3000

SAVE THE DATE

11 Sept '25 AGM  
 20 Sept '25 Quiz Night  
 05 Nov '25 Bag 2 School  
 08 Nov '25 Fireworks Night  
 05 Dec '25 Christmas Fayre

# Sports Day

This year's Sports Day started with the children taking part in games organised and run by Y6 pupils with everyone earning points towards their house totals. The afternoon events were heralded by a triumphant 'parade' of all the children in their various houses. It was a glorious day full of colour and excitement with many of the older children helping the little ones. They jumped, ran, hopped, bounced, tackled obstacles and generally had a great time. **Ebble House** came out in top place as overall winners for the second year running, raising the trophy to loud cheers! The children's commitment and excitement was infectious and provided a lovely experience for parents and families. Members of FoWES came along to provide treats during the afternoon - thank you. Well done to Mrs Pittaway and her team of helpers from Y6 and also to students from Danebury School.

