

Wintringham Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of another wonderful year in Pre-School, and what a year it has been! It's hard to believe just how quickly the time has flown by. Throughout the year, we've watched the children grow in confidence, independence, and curiosity. They've taken part in a wide range of activities that have supported their development, helped them build meaningful friendships, and prepared some of them for their exciting transition into Reception this September.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer break and please remember that Pre-school will not start until Wednesday 3rd September.

This week, the children wrapped up their learning relating to a "Wonderful World." Using *The Colour Monster* by Anna Llenas as their guide, they explored a variety of emotions that children may feel throughout their day. Through group discussions, stories, and creative activities, they talked about how to identify and manage different emotions, helping the children to build emotional awareness and empathy in a gentle and appropriate way.

To further enrich the theme, we've been spending lots of time outdoors in our garden area – making the most of the sunshine. The children have been eagerly watching the progress of our vegetable patch, and it has been such a joy to see their excitement as different vegetables became ready for harvesting. Everyone had the chance to try some of our homegrown produce during snack time – a big highlight for many!



We also had some special little visitors in our garden: a group of harmless mining bees made their home in our planter. The children have been fascinated by observing them as they dig small tunnels and come and go from their little homes in the soil. It has been a lovely opportunity to learn more about nature and caring for living things.

Our older children have been finishing up their phonics sessions and learning the phonemes for all letters – they have all been amazing at retaining the information that has been delivered through these sessions, and we have shared this on Tapestry with you.

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As we look ahead to the summer holidays, we want to say a heartfelt thank you for your continued support throughout the year. We're so proud of all our children and everything they've achieved. We wish you a restful, happy summer break and look forward to hearing all about their adventures in Reception!

We have a closed Facebook group that is only open to parents and carers of children in the Pre-School. A request to join this group can be made using the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/397561551714119>

Term dates for the school year 2025/2026 are provided in the diary dates section at the end of this newsletter. Future term dates for the school year 2026/2027 can be found on the school website.

Please be aware that if a child vomits or has diarrhoea in Pre-school, they will be sent home immediately. Children with these conditions will not be accepted back into Pre-School until 24 hours after the last symptom has elapsed.

Please, if possible, could you walk to school with your children. If you must drive, please can you park with consideration. Thank you for your co-operation.

Uniform

Please note that children in Pre-School do not have to wear uniform. Children aged 3 and above may purchase a sweatshirt with the school logo on if they wish however.

Please ensure that your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to Pre-school with them every day. All children should also have a named water bottle or Sippy cup with them every day.

Email Communication

We have an email communication system, Arbor, which allows us to communicate with parents by email. Please ensure that your email address and all telephone numbers are kept up to date with the school office.

Online Payments

Our Arbor online payment system is used for recording charges incurred for sessions taken and for you to be able to pay for sessions. If you can't access the Arbor Parent Portal or app, which is also now available for both Android and Apple devices, please contact the school office.

Nut Allergy

May I remind parents that children's packed lunches must **NOT** contain peanut butter or other nut snacks as we have several children with allergies in school. This includes items that state that they 'may contain nuts'. Thank you for your consideration.

Diary Dates

Autumn Term 2025

Monday 1st September
Tuesday 2nd September
Wednesday 3rd September
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October
Monday 3rd November
Tuesday 4th November
Friday 19th December
Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January

Training Day
Training Day
Autumn Term Starts
October Half Term
Training Day
Autumn Term Continues
Term Ends
Christmas Holiday

Please be aware that we do occasionally need to alter some of these dates, but any alterations will be notified to parents.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tracy Bryden'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs Tracy Bryden
Executive Headteacher
On behalf of Wintringham Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)