

# Wintringham Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the end of the first part of the summer term and are rapidly moving towards the end of the academic year. Before we reach this point there is still lots of learning to be done in Pre-School.

Firstly, after half term the children arrived back in Pre-School to a lovely, revamped area thanks to Lashley's Landscapes. It has been wonderful to see all the children getting involved with planting lots of different fruits and vegetables. It has been great to see these begin to grow. I am looking forward to tasting some of the produce within the baking activities in Pre-School.



This term the children have been looking at 'Around the World'. The way that the children have been looking at different cultures, languages and backgrounds has been amazing. It has really helped to celebrate the wide diversity we have within our Pre-School. Children have been looking at the following books to help support their understandings and development in these areas:

- Errol's Garden by Gillian Hibbs.
- Where is Lenny? by Alanna Max.
- Lulu Loves the Library by Anna McQuinn.

Secondly, it has been a pleasure to witness the children's growing understanding in their phonics interventions. Their understanding of the different initial sounds is developing well, and they can recognise the sounds at the beginning of their names – this is a great start in enabling the ability of early reading.

Children have been embracing the warm weather and have been spending lots of time outside. In their outdoor learning session last week, they got involved in some yoga and dancing activities led by Miss Cole. It was a lovely sight to witness, and all the children enjoyed being able to show off their different dance moves.



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As we move into the last half term of the year a reminder that children moving into Reception in September will be offered a hot school meal if they stay all day in preparation for their school readiness. They are of course welcome to bring a packed lunch for the days we go into the hall. A polite reminder that during collection periods you should remain behind the brown picket fence in the Pre-school area. This is essential for our safeguarding procedures as it allows staff on the doors to be able to see you and guide your children to you. If you have a question or have lost an item, please wait for all children to have gone before coming to ask.

Also, if your child will not be in attendance of a session due to a holiday or appointment, please can you ensure that you email the office at [pre-school@wintringham.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:pre-school@wintringham.cambs.sch.uk) detailing this and the dates your child will be absent for or leave a message on the school absence line 01480 595885.

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>

The page is updated regularly with photographs and information of news and events.

Term dates for the school year 2024/2025 are provided in the diary dates section at the end of this newsletter. Future term dates for the school year 2025/2026 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**

### **Summer Term 2025**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### **Training Day**

Summer Term Continues  
Term Ends

### **Autumn Term 2025**

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

### **Training Day**

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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



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