



Friday 11th September 2026

Note from the Head...

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school and see them settling into routines, reconnecting with friends and embracing a new school year. Each new year group brings fresh opportunities, learning experiences and responsibilities. Children are getting to know new staff, exploring different curriculum topics and adapting to new expectations.

After six weeks of summer holidays, returning to school can be a significant adjustment. Children are once again expected to concentrate for sustained periods, follow routines, practise key skills and engage with new learning. While many make this transition smoothly, it is perfectly normal for some to find the first few weeks more challenging as they readjust.

We have already seen many examples of determination, kindness and resilience as children settle back in. For those finding the transition more difficult, we are providing reassurance and support while reminding them of their successes last year. Confidence grows with familiarity, and we know that, with time, children will feel comfortable and secure in their new environments.

Building positive relationships between children and their teachers is an important part of this process. As staff get to know each child and children become familiar with their teachers' personalities, routines and expectations, strong relationships develop. These foundations require time, patience and understanding.

As parents and carers, your support is invaluable. Encouragement, reassurance and helping children

develop resilience are especially important during times of change. If your child has found the return to school challenging, please be patient and allow them time to adjust. Share any concerns with school staff, while continuing to support your child through positive routines such as daily reading, practising times tables and completing homework. These habits help children regain confidence, develop independence and build resilience that will benefit them throughout their education and beyond.

We are excited to begin our first Hooks of the year next week and look forward to seeing the enthusiasm they inspire. We will also be holding our Year Group Parent Presentations, providing an opportunity to meet your child's teacher, learn more about the curriculum and experiences planned for the year ahead, and ask any questions you may have. These events help strengthen the partnership between home and school that supports every child's success.

Thank you for the support you have given your children as they return to school. Your encouragement, preparation and positivity have helped them make an excellent start to the academic year. We look forward to seeing them grow in confidence, develop new skills and achieve great things in the months ahead.

Best wishes
G. Wilson



Attendance – 97.4%

Attendance this week is an amazing **97.4%**. Thank you for all your help with this. School gates close and lessons begin at 8.45am.

Team Work – Independence – Creativity – Challenge



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Contact forms

Next week children will be bringing home a contact sheet, please check, amend if necessary and return to the school office. Thank you for your help with this, being able to contact you quickly is very important to the school running.

ParentMail

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by the issues with ParentMail, hopefully many of you resolved the problem by following guidance sent home with children Yesterday. The fault is nationwide and something only ParentMail company can fix, which hopefully happens soon.



Parent Presentations – New to Year ...

A letter was sent out this week informing parents of the times and dates of these presentations to inform and introduce you to

your child's new year group. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mobile phones/walking home

This is a reminder that the school is a **NON mobile phone site** – meaning that parents are not permitted to have their phones visible on site, and that children are not allowed phones in school. This includes in their bags. If your child is walking home without being collected from school, please can you inform the school office and this will be logged on our safeguarding database. Thank you



Year 4 camp meeting

We invite you to a parent meeting to find out key information about this year's **Year 4 Camp, to Hooke Court**, taking place at **3:20pm in the school hall on Thursday 24th September**.

After School Clubs

All clubs will start **Mon 21st Sept**, details will be sent out next week via ParentMail.

Hooks and dates -Are these right?

Our Hooks have already started!

EYFS – Dinosaur Day – 21st Sept

Year 1 - Welly Walk- Exploring the trees and plants - 15th Sept

Year 2 – D/T and Art Day – 16th Sept

Year 3 - Art exploration! Exploring different techniques used by local artist Alce Harfield. – Today!

Year 4 – Visiting the Bakery – 15th Sept

Year 5 - Pallet and Pasture - 2nd Oct

Year 6 - Rainforest Day TBC

PTA AGM – Monday 21st Sept 7pm

Our annual AGM and first meeting of the year will take place on **Monday 21st evening in the school hall at 7pm**. We look forward to meeting anyone interested in supporting the fund raising for the school and working with this amazing team for the benefit of all our children. We look forward to seeing you there.

Medals

Medal assemblies will begin from next week. Parents will receive a text the day before to inform them that their child will be receiving the medal. Parents are invited in to school for the assembly. KS2 – 8:55am KS1- 2:40pm

PTA Mufti Day – Fri 25th Sept

Please bring in donations as below in return for wearing mufti (own clothes) for the day, ready for **PTA BINGO**

Reception - Create and craft (stationary and craft)

Year 1 - Sugar rush (sweets)

Year 2 - Chocoholics' dream (chocolates)

Year 3 - Savoury selection (cheese twists, crackers, olives, chutneys etc)

Year 4 - Pamper night (toiletries, face masks, candles etc)

Year 5 - Afternoon tea (tea, biscuits, jam etc)

Year 6 - Something to sip (bottles)

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Looking for a school place for September 2027?
Come and visit
Wincanton Primary School
Saturday 10th October 2026
2.00pm – 4.00pm
Meet the staff and see our school for yourself.

Come and see how
we 'hook' children
into their learning.



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Ofsted, 2025

Wincanton Primary School
Calling all Pre-School Children
Join us for

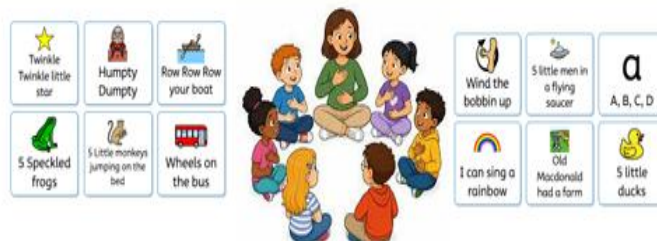


Rhyme Time

First Thursday of the month

Giving children the foundations of early reading, for when they start their school in September

(This is for all pre-school children – no matter which school they will attend)



"Nursery rhymes are extremely valuable to support early language and communication development, build confidence and prepare children for reading and writing as they get older"
Literacy Trust

- Open to all 3 and 4 year old children in our local community.
- Welcome with families or with pre-school settings.
- Stories, songs, rhymes and phase 1 phonics games to support early reading in the year before starting school.
- Led by staff from Wincanton Primary School.



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Come and join us

Thursday :
17th September
1st October
5th November
3rd December
7th January
4th February
4th March
15th April
6th May
10th June
1st July

45 minute sessions from 10am

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AUTUMN TERM 2026

- ✓ CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH
- ✓ EMOTIONAL WELLBEING
- ✓ RESILIENCE & SELF ESTEEM
- ✓ SLEEP
- ✓ EXAM STRESS

REGISTER AT:

canva.link/mhstautumn2026



Open Events



King Arthur's School

OPEN MORNINGS

23rd | 24th
28th | 29th

SEPTEMBER 2026

9.15-10.45am

OPEN EVENING

24th

SEPTEMBER 2026

4.30-7.00pm

Book a spot via the QR code 

No need to book!



CASH GAME £2

RAFFLE AND TOMBOLA

WINCANTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PTA PRESENT

AUTUMN BINGO

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER

Wincanton Memorial Hall

DOORS OPEN 18:45
EYES DOWN 19:15

6 GAMES PLUS SPECIAL ONLY £10

REFRESHMENTS AND DABBERS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

CASH ONLY EVENT!

APPROX FINISH TIME 21:00



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