



Monday 20th October 2025

Dear Families,

As we reach the end of a busy half term, I'd like to wish you all a very happy Diwali. For many Hindus, Diwali — or the Festival of Lights — marks the start of the new year, symbolising the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. Homes are filled with candles, lamps, and colour — a perfect reminder of hope and togetherness.

It feels especially fitting at this time of year, as our own skies will soon sparkle with Bonfire Night fireworks, and nearby streets come alive with Carnival celebrations. What wonderful ways we too bring light, warmth, and community spirit to the darker evenings. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on 6th November for our school fireworks evening.

As we close this first half term, I want to thank you for your continued support and wish all our families a peaceful, happy, and well-deserved October break.

Enjoy the rest, the celebrations, and the time together.

Warm regards,
Mrs Baker

This month, our assemblies have explored the importance of equality and fairness for everyone. We found out about the Bristol Bus Boycott and how positive change is possible when communities challenge discrimination.

With PTFA funds, this week, year 4 have enjoyed an Egyptology day. See page 2 for more photos.



Well done to Ted, from year 4, who has been busy with his entry for the BBC 500 words writing competition. The closing date is not until Friday 7th November, so there is still time to get creative! Please enjoy the extract below from Ted's funny themed story. Good luck, Ted!

Wilber was scared but he grabbed the microphone and opened up his funny mind.

"What bug tells you to grow? a be-tall.

What vegetable can have a baby? a mush-womb.

What flies and loves to bite? a zom-bee."

Everyone started to laugh and then he said a few more good ones.

"What's the warmest athlete in winter? a long jumper.

What instrument has a name in it? A clare-inet."

Now he was fired up and not scared anymore he decided to say his best joke ever.

"What crisps can't run? Walkers." The audience roared with laughter and a confetti canon blasted.

Please support our PTFA 'Colour Raffle' by sending in a donation to your child's class hamper.

This is a super way to raise funds for equipment and resources at school.

For further details, please see posters outside each class.

Children in Silver Birch class will be making hedgehog bread this week, ahead of parents joining them for a harvest lunch on Thursday.



Thank you to Mrs Nicholls for helping children in Walnut Class harvest tomatoes from the school allotment. It was great to be able to plant, grow, pick and eat together. The green tomato chutney was delicious!

Parent Planner Autumn Term

Thursday 23rd October	Maple Class – ‘We The Curious’ visit Harvest lunch for parents of children in Silver Birch Class
Friday 24th October	School Closed - INSET
Monday 3rd November	Start of Term 2
Thursday 6th November	PTFA Fireworks evening at School
Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20th Nov	Parents’ Meetings
Monday 1st December	‘Reverse Advent’ (more details to follow)
Saturday 6th December	Singing Club invited to perform at ‘Carols by Candlelight’, Brent Knoll.
Monday 8th December	Oak Class Nativity 9.30am
Tuesday 9th December	Silver Birch Class Nativity 9.30am
Thursday 11th December	Walnut Class Nativity 9.30am
Monday 15th December	Pantomime
Tuesday 16th December	Christmas Lunch PTFA Disco
Wednesday 17th December	Mince pies and thank you for school helpers – 1.15pm Community Carols – 2pm – more information to follow
Thursday 18th December	KS2 Carol Service at St James’ Church 1.15pm (note slight time change)
Friday 19th December	End of Autumn Term
Monday 5th January	Spring Term begins

**WINSCOMBE PRIMARY
SCHOOL PTFA
FIREWORK
NIGHT**

Thursday 6th November
6:00pm - 8:00pm
At the school

Tickets on sale from 1st Oct
Farrons (cash) and
activibeas.com/winscombeptfa & open banking

Early Bird Tickets: £5
(Sales end 6th Nov 5:00pm)
Pre-schoolers: FREE!
On The Door: £7

**BAR & SIZZLING
SAUSAGES ALL £3!!**



Crew Points:

Cameron	479
Brunel	468
Matthew	453
Concorde	443

Crew Cameron will receive an extra playtime together next week!

A little plea from the school council:

Dear mums and dads, we are trying re-stock our playtime sheds with different activities for after half term. As well as ball games, we would like some quieter activities for children who enjoy calmer playtimes. If you have any good quality, unwanted books, pens or pencils, puzzles, small cars or vehicles that you think children in KS1 or KS2 would enjoy, please would you bring them in this week and give to Mrs. Moore in the school office. Thank you much 😊



Dressing up and handling different artefacts really gave Year 4's Egyptology day the 'WOW' factor!

