



MONDAY SEPT 7th 2026

Dear families,

A very warm welcome back, and a special welcome to those joining our school community for the first time. We are delighted to have you with us.

I hope you have all enjoyed a restful and happy summer break and have had the opportunity to spend quality time with family and friends.

There is always something special about the start of a new school year. It brings a sense of excitement and new possibilities.

Our first week back is our World of Possibilities Week. Across the school, children will be exploring our shared text, *The Path* by Bob Staake, which tells the story of a journey filled with choices, adventures and opportunities. The book will help us reflect on the many paths we can take in life and the importance of the choices we make along the way. It links beautifully to our school values of Care, Aspire, Respect and Excel, which will continue to guide us throughout the year ahead.

We are looking forward to seeing where this year's journey takes our children and to all the wonderful things they will achieve.

Warm wishes,

Mrs Baker and the Winscombe Primary School Team

A World of Possibilities!

To enrich our first week back, we are delighted to welcome a number of visitors into school. On Wednesday, storyteller Michael Loader will be leading storytelling workshops inspired by wildlife and the pathways found in nature. On Thursday, colleagues from Avon Fire & Rescue Service will be reminding children about making safe choices around fire and water, while a financial advisor from Lloyds Bank will be helping children think about the choices we can make with money and the importance of making informed decisions.

We will culminate the week with our World of Possibilities Fair on Friday. We are extremely grateful to the parents who have volunteered their time to share their careers and personal journeys with our children, helping them to see the many different paths that can lead to success and fulfilment. It promises to be an exciting way to begin the year, encouraging our children to look ahead with curiosity about the possibilities that await them.



School Uniform

Thank you to all families for sending children back to school looking so smart and ready for the year ahead. It has been super to see children returning with such pride in their appearance and in being part of our school community.

As you know, our revised school uniform is now in place. Children may wear a plain white polo shirt with a school sweatshirt or cardigan, together with charcoal grey trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores. Ties are no longer required. We recognise that many families will still have existing school jumpers and cardigans, and these can continue to be worn as we gradually phase them out over time.

For PE, children should wear a coloured Crew T-shirt, school sweatshirt or cardigan, and navy shorts, joggers or leggings.

We are proud of the sense of belonging that our uniform creates and appreciate your support in helping us keep things simple, practical and affordable for families. As part of this, we ask that clothing, socks and accessories do not feature prominent branded logos (such as Nike or Adidas), as we are keen to minimise unnecessary peer pressure around clothing choices.

Hair accessories should be simple and in keeping with school colours. In line with PE Association guidance, earrings must now be removed for PE lessons. As previously communicated, some children may find it easier not to wear earrings on PE days.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children look smart, feel included and be ready to learn.

Welcome to My School Meeting

We warmly invite all parents and carers to our Welcome to My School Meeting on Friday 18th September at 2.30pm in the school hall. This is an opportunity to meet key members of staff and hear about our school priorities, key developments and themes for the year ahead.

Children will be collected as usual at 3.20pm. Following this, families are invited to visit classrooms as part of our Open Classroom Event, giving parents and carers the opportunity to meet teachers, see learning environments and help children share the exciting start they have made to the new school year.

We look forward to welcoming you.

PARENT PLANNER

Friday 18th September	Welcome to my School meeting 2.30pm
Thursday 24th September	Bikeability Y5 am Y4 pm Group A
Friday 25th September	Bikeability Y5 all day Group A
Thursday 1st October	Bikeability Y5 am Y4 pm Group B
Friday 2nd October	Bikeability Y5 all day Group B
Friday 9th October	Hello Yellow (wear yellow to support young people's mental health)
Friday 13th November	Children in Need (details to follow)
Tuesday 17th November	Parents evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
Thursday 19th November	Parents evening 3.30.-6.30pm
	Book Fair
Tuesday 24th November	Nasal Flu immunisations
Tuesday 1st December	Individual Photos
Monday 14th December	Y5 & Y6 - Aladdin at the Playhouse
	Cinderella panto into school
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 18th December	KS2 Carol service at St James Church 10.00am