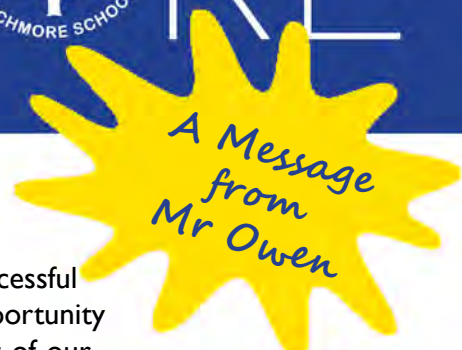


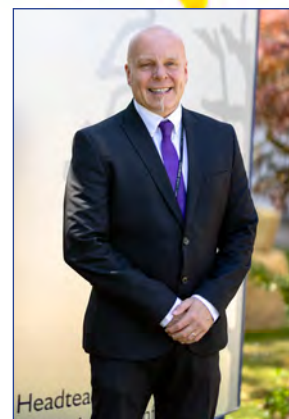


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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another extremely busy and successful year for Winchmore School, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all, once again for your continued support of our students, and the work done with them by our extremely hard-working staff. We are again expecting excellent results in this summer's examinations, at both Key Stages 4, and 5 where we are anticipating that the majority of our students to gain good university places; I am looking forward to seeing you all on results days and sharing in your success. I am sure that you will join me in thanking the staff for all of the extra hours they have put in to support our students, and their expertise in getting the best possible examination results.



Our work on providing students with an educational experience outside the classroom has continued with over 140 trips having been run this year, and in excess of 1200 students having attended at least one trip. Our data analysis tells us that students who go on school trips make better progress, and attain better grades than those who don't; I therefore want to thank you for your continued support in making sure your children make the most of the opportunities offered to them. The extra curricular offer available to our students is the envy of the Local Authority, and continues to be a major factor in parents choosing to send their children to Winchmore School. We have renewed our links with China, with our students visiting our partner school in April, and Chinese students visiting us over the last week. This experience has been inspiring, and life changing for all of those involved, and I would like to say a special thank you to the staff involved, and the very generous host families who accommodated visiting students. As a result of this work, we have just been awarded £36,000 by the British Council to continue this work as part of the Turing Award Scheme. We have also run trips to France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Snowdonia, Dorset, East Anglia, Devon just to name a few! I receive emails daily thanking our staff and complimenting our students on their fantastic behaviour when they are representing the school. Our sporting performance has improved considerably with our students being Borough Champions in every age group, and many other notable performances including representing Enfield at Basketball in the London Youth Games.

The Arts have gone from strength to strength this year with the fantastic performance of Aladdin, and the fantastic showcase of talent in the Winter and Summer Concerts; I am as always very grateful, and a little overwhelmed by the support you as families give these events, and the hard work, and time given by my staff to make these events as special as they are.

Our new sixth form centre is under construction, and is looking absolutely fantastic; the opening is scheduled for January 2025, with work due to be completed at the end of October 2024. Work starts on refurbishing our changing facilities during the summer, and is scheduled to finish at around the same time. We are very excited about both projects which will have a considerable impact on our school community.

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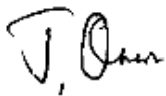


The inclusion faculty have been visited by the DfE this year and have been described by a lead inspector as 'exceptional', with the DfE lead describing Winchmore as 'the most inclusive school I have ever seen'. We have also just been re-accredited as a Lead Parental Partnership Award (LPPA) school with the assessor also noting how strong and inclusive our school community is. We are proud of our successful, happy, diverse, multicultural school community and are always reviewing our practice and looking at how we can improve our provision. Earlier this year our staff and students completed a survey designed to measure, build and consolidate a racially equitable culture at Winchmore School. As a result of the survey we have taken certain measures to build on our good practice and to improve our record on equality. This includes 'unconscious bias' training for staff, a student council focus on how to address prejudice when it is encountered, and a review of our curriculum and resources including RSHE to ensure that the diverse nature of the student body are reflected in the content. We will continue with a programme of training for staff and students next year as we strive to eliminate prejudice of any kind in our school community.

I am delighted to report to you that we are once again the most popular secondary school in Enfield for students moving from year 6, and have had over 1000 applications to join Year 12. This is thanks to the fantastic learning environment created by staff, students and you, the families who support our work.

On a personal note, I would like to thank you for all your support over the last year, and to quote an HMI who told me recently that children are lucky to come to this school, I would add that we are lucky to work at this school. I am very proud of our community, especially our staff and students.

I would like to wish you all a lovely, restful summer break



Jim Owen

Summer Reading Competition

Did you know that your young person has unlimited access to a student friendly, balanced news publication through their school called The Day!

They can read The Day at home whenever they wish and because we know how difficult it can be to keep young people entertained all Summer, we've prepared a summer reading challenge that will take you on a journey around the world, from the comfort of your own home!

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Log into The Day every day between 22nd July and the 30th August to read the newly published article, discover the clues, get your passport stamped and be in with the chance to win a £100 Amazon voucher! All entrants will receive a certificate!

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Encourage your young person to take part in 'Around the world in 30 days' and keep them interested in reading over the holidays - who knows they may also win the £100 voucher!

Please send any completed passports to editorial@theday.co.uk

The Day Team

EAL Trip to London

On Wednesday 10 July, Alex, Deborah & Helen from the Inclusion Faculty took seven EAL students on a day trip to get a taste of London's cultural highlights.

Starting at The National Portrait Gallery near Trafalgar Square, the students were drawn to masterpieces from the past rather than artists and photographers of the modern era. They were clearly impressed by the skills of so many great painters of former centuries who achieved such greatness without the benefits of modern materials and technologies.

We then progressed towards Covent Garden where we headed for Paul, a family bakery established in 1889 which is now an internationally famous chain of restaurants, where we enjoyed some snacks in a traditional environment.



Having been suitably replenished we then progressed to Covent Garden and along with packed crowds, from an upper floor, we watched a superb and very animated string quartet play some well known classical melodies in a cafe courtyard below.

We strolled from the Piazza into market areas lined on each side by parades of unique shops and boutiques.

We returned having had an enjoyable and memorable day.

Deborah Hardman, Aleksandr Izotov and Helen Gill.

EAL / Inclusion Faculty

Year 6 to 7 Transition Day

On Friday the 5th July Winchmore School had their year 6 to 7 transition day. In Science we offered students the opportunity to take part in a number of exciting experiments including dissection of lamb hearts, food tests and viewing plants and animal cells under the microscopes. The students also had the opportunity to take part in viewing the internal organs of a human by using the 3D visual ipad and the skeleton. In addition they were able to observe a dissected rat that was prepared by our year 12 students. All the students and staff had lots of fun.

Dr Ktori - Head of Science



House Fire

A few weeks ago two families from the Winchmore School community were affected by a serious house fire. The students are in Years 7 & 10.

Most importantly, no one was hurt, however the fire has caused much distress and damage to both families who have lost everything in the blaze.

We would really like to support both families in their time of need and have opened a donation item on ParentPay for anyone who would like to donate to the families to help them restore their lives and offer financial support as they start to replace all they have lost in the fire.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

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Falconry Visit - Birds of Prey

On Monday the 1st July Falconry UK visited Winchmore School and presented an educational talk about Birds of prey to students in Years 7 and 9. The students were fortunate to experience holding the birds and learning about the anatomy of the birds, the habitat they live in the wild and about their diet. The students were amazing. Thank you to all staff involved in making this event possible. Special thanks to Miss Winter for organising the event and to the Science faculty.

Here are some quotes from the students:

"I hope we get this again!"

"I would like to thank Jack Petchey Foundation for his kindness and selflessness as he brings happiness and joy to many children throughout the world".

"We learnt about exotic birds around the world and I can't believe I got to be a part of the demonstration!"

"I had lots of fun seeing all the birds and how they open their mouths and 'talk' and how they fly and move around."



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WINCHMORE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY EXCLUSIVE!

Over July 16th and 17th, 2024, Winchmore school has gotten into the competitive spirit for the second time since Covid 19. Students who were previously spread across the school, were able to take part in different activities battling for 1st place amongst the form classes and year groups.

They participated in sports such as football, benchball, basketball, table tennis and many others. The excitement in the air was almost tangible, as people competed across the school against friend and foe.

In the morning, students gathered in their year groups to play different games, all competing to showcase their skills. Organisers ensured the day ran smoothly, and the spirit of competition was thick in the air as they competed against each other valiantly. A quote from a great teacher, Mr. Corner was: "We have never lost at table tennis," as he bravely lost his match. Mr. Bruce said it was his favourite sport as another student said, "I believe table tennis is the gateway to enthusiasm about eco-friendly exercise."

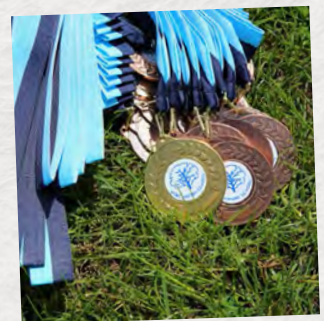


A FIERCE BATTLE

*Who will emerge
victorious?*

Today will answer the questions on everyone's lips; Who will win? Who really is the best at sports?

There's been a lot of buzz around the school in the build up to today to see all of the year groups go head to head, with the standard rumoured to be unbelievably high.



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FOOTBALL



“Football is life”

A highlight of either day was the fiercely contested 5-a-side football tournament. The enthusiasm of the students contributed to creating a sizzling cauldron of athleticism and competitive spirit. Football really did come home, for 2 hours at least!

From the opening whistle, it was clear this wasn't a kickabout in the park. Teams battled for possession with laser focus, weaving intricate passing patterns and unleashing thunderous shots that rattled the goalposts. There was a palpable sense of camaraderie within each team, punctuated by bursts of friendly ‘trash talk’ and triumphant high fives after successful goals.

One team, however, stood out from the pack: Team 10M. Led by a practical indomitable “Wall” in goal and a number of unstoppable strike duos every team was a force to be reckoned with. Their fluid passing, pinpoint crosses, and clinical finishing were a sight to behold.

All in all, the day was encapsulated by one magical quote from Mr Panayiotou; ‘football is life’ and we couldn’t agree more, Sir!

BOYS AND GIRLS’ 5-A-SIDE

The boys football five a side was on the field. Forms L, A, B, U, R, N, M, and G were all participating on this extremely hot day; On our way to the middle of the pitch we interviewed Mr Newman, the coach of the tournament. He proceeded to tell us; “the preparation process for today was all about being organized and prepared.”

Near the start of the tournament two goal posts had been broken, but using teamwork and their improvisation skills they managed to adapt. We asked him his secrets to motivating the players and he told us “it's all about respect, spirit, sportsmanship and effort.”

The next question was about how he overcomes challenges concerning the team, he replied by stating “they need to use teamwork and enjoy the moment while it's happening.”

We questioned him about any players in the tournament people should be keeping their eyes on and he replied “Calvin. He has been a great asset to his team and has been playing extremely well.”



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Mr Newman then followed up with "Thomas Carter is also one to watch, he has displayed great leadership skills. 9N as a form has played extremely well and has not lost a match yet."

After a hugely passionate and hard fought match, we caught up with the star players Calvin and Thomas themselves, now the two nominees for the player of the tournament. Though their team weren't the victors on this occasion both were optimistic about the outcome of the match with Thomas saying "I'm very happy, because I get to play with my friends in form", while Calvin revealed to us that his pre-match ritual is to make sure that he "drinks water and stretches" demonstrating these expert moves to us.

Their passion for the sport in spite of a crushing loss shows why they were the nominees for the player of the tournament - and both would be worthy winners!

For girls football we watched them push themselves by competing against their friends to be the best of the best and win all their matches. They warmed up by practicing their passes, doing warm up games, running laps around the playground and hearing tips from their coaches. During the games we watched endless teamwork being put into action and brilliant communication between teammates being heard throughout the game.

The support within the game was remarkable and the sportsmanship was through the roof; it was endless joy and laughter and the players showed their skills and commitment constantly during the matches.

Mr Dubner - "I should say I've been well prepared but I have mostly freestyled it. However, my previous experiences in football have facilitated an optimum experience for the students ." He was also keen to point out that "Today has been about the sheer dominance of Elsie Tapp on the black team, as well as a great effort from Lexi Quinton .

"It's all about respect, spirit, sportsmanship and effort."

TENNIS



Tennis at Winchmore school proved to be a smashing success, filled with plenty of smiles and laughter. Held on the championship court, the event included a mix of competitive matches and goofy games, bringing together students, teachers, and the school community.

Among the teachers present were Mr. Steele, Mrs. Kumbarji, and Mr. Ali, who all contributed to the day's vibrant atmosphere.



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James, a Year 7 student, shared his excitement about participating, stating, "It's a wonderful opportunity & I feel very lucky to be here." When asked about the preparation process, Shylar, also in Year 7, mentioned, "I've been doing a lot of practice at home."

Supporting fellow participants was a key highlight, with Dila, Year 7, expressing, "I enjoy cheering them on and giving them encouraging words."

Aiden, another Year 7 student, found inspiration in a famous athlete, saying, "LeBron James helped me play tennis, as I find his determination inspiring."

Aditya, from Year 9, reflected on handling losses, admitting, "To be honest, I don't handle losses the best—I tend to cry or blame others. However, once I cool down, I learn from my mistakes."

Mr. Ali highlighted his favorite aspect of Sports Day, emphasizing the joy and camaraderie it brings, while Mr. Nguyen noted some common challenges, such as "lots of giving up and losing confidence," but he stressed the importance of supporting school events "in order to create a community between students of all years."

Winchmore's Tennis Day was a memorable event that fostered sportsmanship, community spirit, and plenty of fun for all involved.



"I enjoy cheering them on and giving them encouraging words."



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DANCE

A great start to the Year 7s first annual Sports Day with Miss Yianni leading dance. The activity started with an upbeat warmup to “One Dance” by Drake engaging the students through music. The warm up consisted of a variation of cardio and strengthening exercises to avoid injuries during the rest of the event. Next, they did a ballet inspired routine using point, plie and first position to expand the student’s dance vocabulary.

The whole group quickly absorbed the demonstration and soon were in sync with one another. Speaking to students who had just leapt across the room to “One Kiss” this time, we got an insight into the general feeling in the dance studio. Angel and Amerie told us how they were having fun and felt motivated to improve their dance skills. As first time sport’s day participants, they felt that the variety of activities, including dance and goofy games, was great. Overall the positive atmosphere and encouraging staff made this activity a joy to watch.

BASKETBALL

Later on in the morning, we visited boys basketball on the basketball courts for Year 7 and in the sports hall for Year 9s. Outside we spoke to Mrs Goddard about the overall morale, who said that the boys were using lots of “teamwork, communication” and that they all had a “drive to win”. Even though there were elements of fatigue, she encouraged them to work to the best of their ability and soon it was overcome, leading the purple team to victory in a 3 vs 3 game.

Inside, while playing full court, we witnessed a lot of teamwork and tactics. This was seen throughout the game but especially when a student gave the ball to his teammate so that he could have a chance to score. Furthermore, the referee was ensuring fairness and the proper rules were being followed throughout the games.





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Today's effort in basketball has been very high, but the pressure has been even higher. Our athletes have been eager to prove themselves as the next winning Winchmore basketball team this sports day. The partakers have done extremely well in leading their team as well as helping everyone on the court.



“Being apart of the game is beautiful”

The yearly sports day at Winchmore School has brought students and teachers to the edge of their seats and has filled them with anticipation. Most students have been very engaged in the games and have given us their experience of being on the court. When we asked a particular student by the name of Ayman he gave us an insightful opinion of being on the losing team for all of their games, even though they had lost he still gave us an optimistic view “Being apart of the game is beautiful” and he went into detail how for the games yet to come he will continue to keep his head high and lead his team to their first victory. We hope to see more students take this ambitious view and hope he reaches his goal.

TABLE TENNIS



When Mr Askin boasts that he “shouted at all the kids to win.” you know you're in for a high octane, heart thumping and intense match!

The yearly sports day at Winchmore School brought students and teachers together for a day filled with competition and tension. This year, Winchmore School had a nail-biting table tennis tournament. Boys in year 9 took part in singles and doubles against each other in friendly competition. Stakes were high as the boys began to get more competitive amongst each other, but it was clear that they were still having a good time. They wanted to participate in other sports as well, but were happy to play something they enjoyed.

In the table tennis area, we met Mr Covill, who was watching over the competitions and selling coffee. Mr Covill seemed tired but still rooted for the students playing their games passionately having been heard to say that “Sports day is the best day this school has had. All games are rubbish and 9wx are a bunch of losers.” clearly he is only slightly biased towards the YZ side!



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Along the way, we had also bumped into Mr Nguyen, who was also monitoring the eager gameplay. We asked him what were the key tactics to winning a match of table tennis.

“Attitude to sport, respect, sportsmanship and honesty is what will get you to a glorious victory in a sport like this.”



GOOFY GAMES



The annual Sports Day took a gloriously silly turn this year, with some more traditional events replaced by a riotous roster of goofy games. The sun, a mischievous participant itself, beat down mercilessly on the court, transforming it into a gladiatorial arena of giggles and guffaws.

A brisk wind added a touch of unpredictability to the competition. One moment a welly sailed majestically towards the horizon, the next it was caught in a playful gust, careening off at a hilarious tangent. There were cheers for impressive distances (“Did you see that welly? Practically reached the clouds!”) and groans of sympathy for those whose throws resembled more an unbalanced shuffle than a mighty fling (“Mine took a nosedive straight into the mud,” lamented a sheepish student.

Despite the occasional wayward welly, the competition was fierce but friendly. Laughter echoed across the field as students cheered for their classmates and marveled at the unexpected trajectories. In the end, the student who emerged victorious, landed a record-breaking distance. But for everyone involved, the real prize was the sheer, goofy fun of the day. Welly wanging proved to be a welcome addition to Sports Day, reminding us all that sometimes, the best competitions are the ones that leave you with a smile on your face and mud on your boots. The Great Goofy Games, despite the slightly chaotic nature, proved to be a roaring success. Laughter echoed across the sun-drenched MUGA, a testament to the pure, unadulterated fun of the day. As the dust settled (literally, in some cases), it was clear that sometimes, the most important victories are the ones over self-seriousness, and the sweetest medals are awarded in the form of belly aches from laughter!



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BENCHBALL

Today's weather proves that whatever God you believe in, they love sports day!' - Mr Miller

This year, Winchmore School has outdone themselves once again, and that was proved when we visited Benchball; a sport where everyone participates and collaborates together to win as a collective! We managed to get an exclusive interview with two lovely teachers; Ms O and Mrs Hurley, whose generosity was expressed through their motivational yells

What do you think of benchball?

Ms O- Yesterday I didn't get it, now today I'm a pro

Mrs Hurley- Really interesting to see the girls get involved

How do you motivate the athletes for their events?

Ms O- Shout at them!

Mrs Hurley- Shouting motivational things at them

Before leaving we caught Mr Anadi- The man himself who had a story he wanted to share, a one that needs to be remembered for sure

'When I was in school, I was kicked out in year 8, and before that I had ran the 100 meters, I had broken a world record, which I didn't know about till I got kicked out. Stay in school kids! **Its not about how you start but how you finish**'



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200M RACE

Another fantastic race we were able to witness was the 200 meter race. Many students were very nervous to start the race but they pushed through and finished them strong. One of the students said that she was able to overcome her anxiety by talking to her friends and in the end she was very content with how she did. Another student named Jemimah who came in 2nd said that she had a lot of fun running the 200 meter race and she encourages more people to join in for next year. Many spectators said that the adrenaline the racers shared reflected onto them overall giving an encouraging and optimistic atmosphere. The race was tense and the players had single second differences. All contributors were engrossed in the game.

100M RACE

Under a brilliant blue sky and with the cheers of the entire school echoing around the track, the event was a showcase of speed, determination, and sportsmanship. The crowd erupted as the sprinters crossed the finish line, with a photo finish needed to determine the winner. Mr Melling commended all participants for their hard work and dedication. "Events like these are about more than just winning; they're about community, perseverance, and personal growth. Every student who participated today is a winner in my eyes,"





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SILLY SNAPS

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Visit from Hazelwood Primary

On Monday 15th July 30 year 6 children from Hazelwood Primary School joined us at Winchmore school for a science workshop. The children were involved in different experiments including; using indicator infused agar gel discs to test for acids and alkalis, using universal indicator and phenolphthalein indicator to test for acid, alkali and neutral solutions and preparing onion slides and viewing these using a microscope. The children were amazing, they knew so much about science and were so well behaved and so excited to be taking part. Thank you to all the science staff involved Senior Science Technician Mr Amit Nagrani for preparing all the resources, Antonia, John, Science Staff and year 12 student Henrique. A special thank you to all the children involved and the staff from Hazelwood Primary School.

Thank you Dr Ktori (Acting Head of Science)



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