



## Celebrating World Book Day 2026!

WEEK 1  
9th March

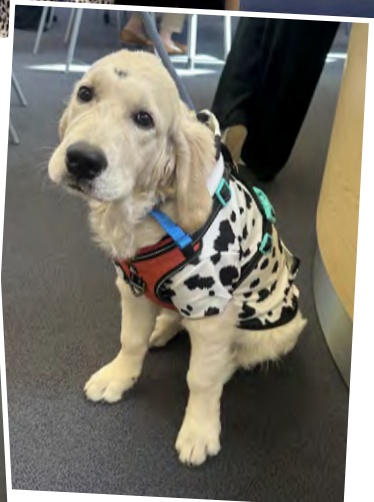


### What an amazing World Book Day at Winchmore School!

Staff and students across the school got involved by dressing up as their favourite book characters, and the creativity on display was fantastic to see. Classrooms were full of excitement as everyone celebrated the joy of reading together.

A special highlight of the day was our Headteacher, Mr Owen dressing up as Cruella de Vil, visiting classes and bringing plenty of smiles and laughter along the way!

Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make it such a fun, memorable day for our school community. What a brilliant way to celebrate books and storytelling!



06.03.26



winchmore\_secondary\_school

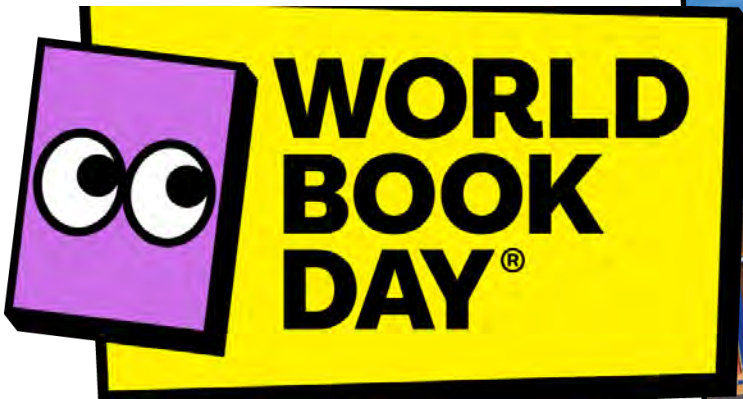


@thisiswinchmore



@winchmoreschool

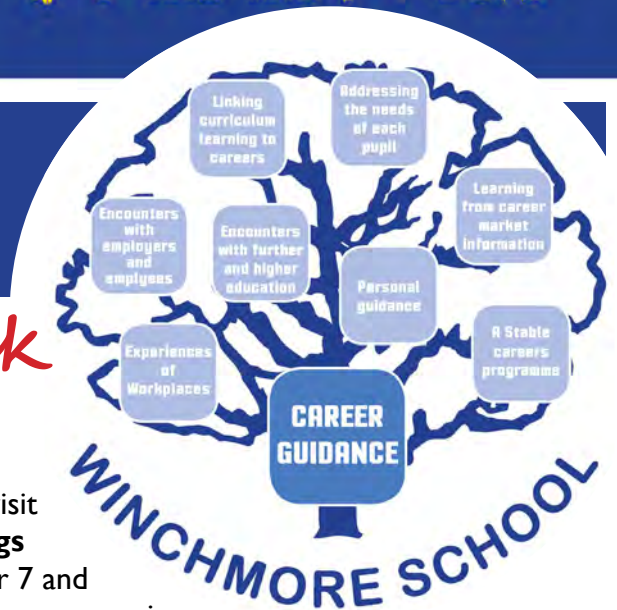
# WINCHMORE WEEKLY



## CAREERS & LIBRARY SERVICES

### National Careers Week and World Book Day

To celebrate both of these events we were delighted to have a visit from author Anthony McGowan who talked about his book **Dogs of the Deadlands**. The presentation was attended by all of Year 7 and also some students from other Year groups who were considering a career in literature. Anthony was very engaging and our students asked some excellent questions in the Q and A session at the end.



### National Careers Week -Engineering workshop

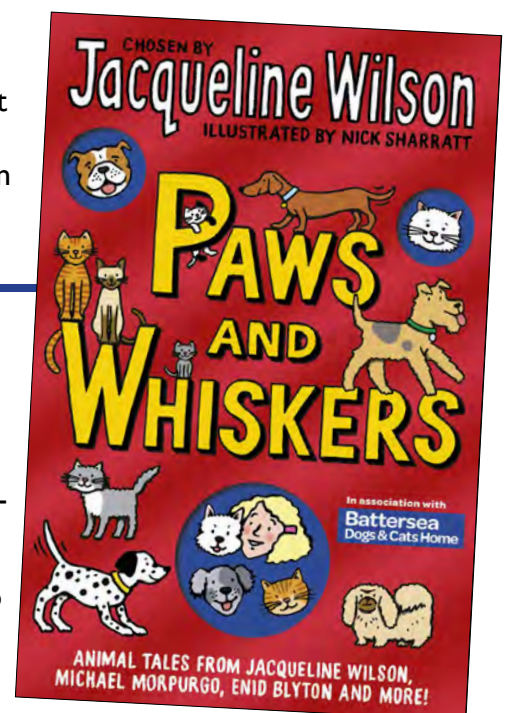
On Wednesday 4th March some of our Studio and ARP students took part in an engineering workshop. This was organised by a fire engineer from ARUP and a pilot from Easyjet. The workshops also supported our Women in STEM initiative.

### Available in the Library...

#### Paws and Whiskers

Leonie doesn't want to start at her new school. Making friends is so hard - until she discovers the Pet Girls Club.

Leonie is desperate to join! The trouble is, she doesn't have a pet. It's up to Leonie to use her imagination...





## Trip to Tottenham Football Stadium

A few weeks ago an exciting opportunity was presented to two of our Winchmore students, for them to attend a full tour of the Tottenham Stadium. Nexus Enfield works closely with Winchmore School, supporting, mentoring, guiding and helping develop our young people of the future in becoming better versions of themselves, making the right choices and working on building their self esteem and confidence. As well as working with Winchmore School and other schools within the Borough, Nexus also has relationships and partnerships with outside organisations, one being with the Tottenham Hotspurs Foundation. Through having this relationship Nexuse managed to arrange and secure a free full stadium tour of Tottenham Hotspurs.

This exciting opportunity was offered to two students from each school within the Borough of Enfield - and although the selection of students was limited, the idea for the experience was for it to be a positive opportunity for students that are finding things challenging and demonstrating that these challenges can be overcome.

The two students selected have indeed displayed immense growth over their years at Winchmore School. Through challenges, ups and downs of school/teenage life, from disappointments, to successes, to personal achievements!

Despite them both not being huge Tottenham Hotspurs fans, both students got to fully immerse themselves in the tour and were amazed by the size of the stadium, the history of the club and how versatile the stadium is.

Both myself and Mr Merchant were very impressed, proud and so pleased with both students' behaviour and in how they conducted themselves. They represented Winchmore School extremely well and this was acknowledged by the tour guides and organisers.

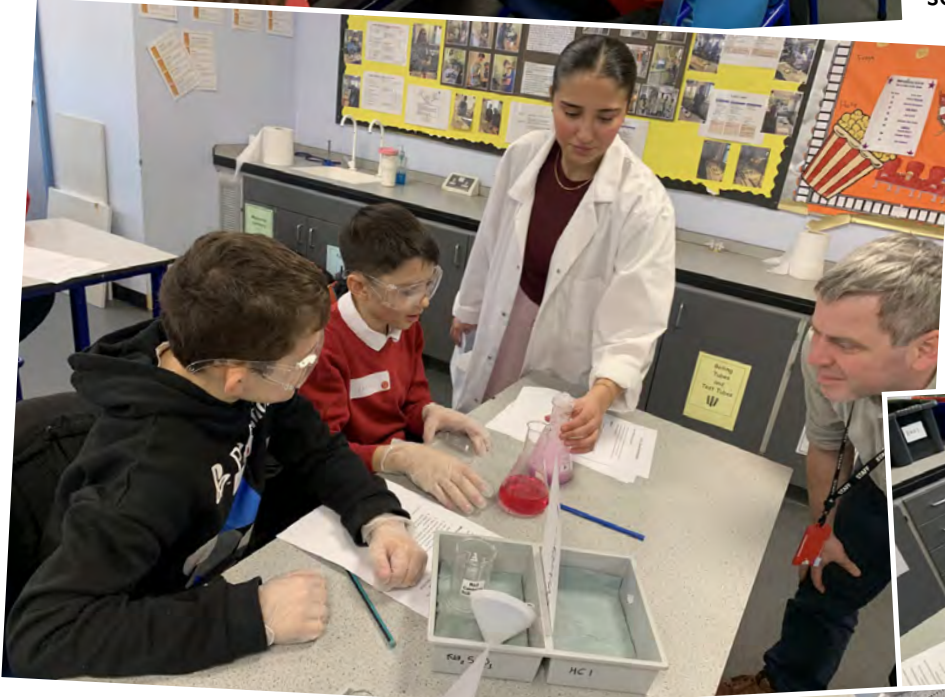
Ms Osei - Family Engagement  
& Mr Merchant - Behaviour Team





## Science Workshop

On Friday 27th February, 30 year 6 children from Hazelwood Primary School joined us at Winchmore school for a science workshop for the first time. The children were involved in different experiments including; using red cabbage indicator to test for acids and alkalis using household items. They also got to see the methane bubbles demonstration which they really enjoyed. 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, Miss Cetin and Mr Czemyers. A special thank you to all the children involved and the staff from Hazelwood Primary School and we are very happy to be working with you and your school.



# WINCHMORE WEEKLY



*Monday  
9th March*

## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Library**

**Yr 10 Boost classes** - Digital Art

**Careers Drop In Session**

**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm

**Coding Club** Room 3 - 3pm to 3:50pm- Miss Askin (First come basis only 20 spaces)

**Boys Football** - Years 12-13 Field - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Patrick

**Badminton** - Years 7-11 Sports Hall - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Birchell

**Art club** - 3:10pm to 4 pm in A4, Miss Leitch/Mrs Penny-Annang

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Maths & Dance 3pm

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Media Studies and Computing 3.45pm

**Yr7 & 8 Drama club** - DR2 - 3:05 - 4:00pm - Ms Doherty

**Year 10 Drama booster** - DR1 3-4pm Mrs Kazim

**Year 11 GCSE Media Studies Intervention-** RM 89 3:30-4:15

## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Art and Digital Art

**Yr 10 Boost classes** - Digital Art

**Library**

**Careers Drop In Session**

**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm

**Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze and Silver) Support**

- Careers Office 3pm to 4pm

**Fitness Club** - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller

**School Run** - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Field - Mr Patrick

**Football** - Year 10 3 to 4:15 - Field - Mr Aourarh

**Table Tennis** - Years 7-11 3 to 4.15pm - Gym - Mr Atu

**Girls Football Year 7&8** - 3-4PM with Miss Baptiste

**Basketball** - Years 10-13 3.15 to 4.30pm - Sports Hall - Mr Pohl

**KS4/5 Dance** DA1 Miss Smith 3:15pm-4:30pm

**KS5 Media Intervention-** RM 88 3:15-4:15

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - English 3pm

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - IMedia, Computing and Music 3.45pm

**TRIP - YR12 Art students Print Workshop**

*Tuesday  
10th March*

## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Art and Digital Art

**Poetry by Heart** - 1:30-2 - room 71 - Ms Wood

**Library**

**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring - BOOK CLUB

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm

**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Geography 3pm

**Boys Football** - Years 11 - Field - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Aourarh

**TRIP: Year 11 Geography field trip to WOTN**

*Wednesday  
11th March*

## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Careers Drop In Session** - including college application support  
**Library** - Silent Reading  
**Year 9 Drama Booster session** - 1.30pm in DRI with Mrs Goddard  
**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring  
**Christian Club** - Room 23

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
**Fitness Club** - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller  
**Basketball** - Years 10-13 3.15 to 4.15pm - Sports Hall  
**Football- years 8 & 9** 3 to 4:30pm  
**Guitar Club and KS3 Band** in M1 - 3.15-4.15pm - Mr White  
**Zine Club** - 3-4pm - room 71 - Ms Wood  
**Spanish and German Club for Years 7&8** - Miss Schebella & Miss Garcia  
**Yr 11 Boost classes** - Science 3pm



## LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

**Library**  
**Wellbeing Hub** - crochet, card games, colouring

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

**Dance Club Year 7-9** - 3.15 to 4.15pm in DAI- Miss Smith  
**Winchmore Tabletop Society** Room 88 3pm to 4:30pm  
- Miss Davis, Mr Pohl, Mr Menda, Miss Zamora and Mr Melling  
**Yr 11 Boost classes** - French, German, Spanish, GCSE PE and iMedia (3pm)  
**Yr 10 IMedia support** - 3pm

## WINCHMORE'S WOW! WORD OF THE WEEK

# Empowerment

Week beginning: 9th March



**Word Class** Noun

**Meaning** At its core, **empowerment** is the process of gaining freedom, power, and confidence. It's about moving from a state of limitation to a state of agency—where you have the resources and authority to make your own choices and influence the world around you.

**Examples**

- True empowerment begins when women are given equal access to education and the financial independence to choose their own paths.
- International Women's Day serves as a global call to action for gender equality and the empowerment of girls in every corner of the world.
- The keynote speaker argued that the empowerment of women in the tech industry is not just a matter of fairness, but a catalyst for global innovation.

**Challenge** Wordle : <https://www.nytimes.com/games/wordle/index.html>  
Connections : <https://www.nytimes.com/games/connections>

# IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

yes

until...



<b>CHICKENPOX</b>	At least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over.
<b>DIARRHOEA AND VOMITING</b>	48 hours after their last episode.
<b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b>	If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.
<b>IMPETIGO</b>	Their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics.
<b>MEASLES</b>	4 days after the rash first appeared.
<b>MUMPS</b>	5 days after their swelling started.
<b>SCABIES</b>	They've had their first treatment.
<b>SCARLET FEVER</b>	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics.
<b>WHOOPING COUGH</b>	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics.



NO



<b>CONJUNCTIVITIS</b>	You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.
<b>COUGHS &amp; COLDS</b>	It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold.
<b>HAND, FOOT &amp; MOUTH</b>	If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.
<b>HEAD LICE</b>	There's no need to keep your child off school. You can treat head lice and nits without seeing your GP.
<b>THREADWORMS</b>	Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend treatment.
<b>SORE THROAT TONSILLITIS</b>	You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.
<b>SLAPPED CHEEK</b>	You don't need to keep your child off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious.



Reception  
to Year 11

30th March  
- 10th April

# HAF Enfield Easter 2026

**FREE\*** places available on Enfield's Holiday Activities  
and Food (HAF) programme this Easter.

For more information visit

[www.enfield.gov.uk/haf](http://www.enfield.gov.uk/haf)

\*Free for those in receipt of benefits related free school meals

Funded by

  
Department  
for Education

**ENFIELD**  
Council 



## Tree Planting Day

Saturday

7<sup>th</sup> March 11am – 1pm\*

Join In, Get Involved, Make a Difference!

**Everyone welcome!**

- From 11:00 Meet by Firs Farm Community Hub, N21 2PJ

**Help make Firs Farm greener - plant a tree!**

- It can get muddy!
- Remember to wear suitable clothing, gloves & footwear.
- \*We'll be planting until we run out of trees!

### Also on the Day

- Meet members of the Friends group
  - Find out how you could support the Charity
  - Discover some of Firs Farm's history
  - Share your own Firs Farm stories, memories and photographs
  - Do you have a story to tell about what Firs Farm means to you, your family or friends?
- Join us and share your memories and photographs!

See you there!



## Under 18s Learning Disabilities & Autism Event

Friday 13th March

### Where?

Connections, Unit 7, 26-28 Queensway,  
Ponders End, EN3 4SA

### When?

10:30am–2:30pm

Our Spring Event will provide information about Local Council Services and Voluntary Organisations supporting families of Under 18s with autism and learning disabilities.

### Speakers:

- Resources for Autism
- Enfield Advisory Service For Autism (EASA)
- Cheviots Children's Disability Service
- Integrated Learning Disability Service Social Workers
- Our Voice
- SENDIASS Enfield
- Mini First Aid



Would you like to attend?  
Scan the QR code to book  
Or Call 0208 366 3677

**NLSDA**  
NORTH LONDON  
STREET DANCE ACADEMY

**NEW**  
**STREET DANCE**  
**CLASS**



📍 WINCHMORE SCHOOL, 20 LABURNAM GROVE, N21 3HS

**WHY JOIN?**

- HAVE FUN, BUILD CONFIDENCE & CREATIVITY
- LEARN PROFESSIONAL STREET DANCE ROUTINES
- TAUGHT BY EXPERIENCED NLSDA CHOREOGRAPHERS

ENJOY A FREE FIRST-SESSION TASTER IN WEEK 1

SCAN THE QR CODES BELOW TO SIGN UP!



**5-6PM**  
**YEARS 7/8/9**



**6-7PM**  
**YEARS 10/11**

For further information contact Nichola on 07516 560380  
or Email [info@northlondonstreetdance.co.uk](mailto:info@northlondonstreetdance.co.uk)



Family Based Solutions  
Moving Forward Together

## Join Our Free Online Parent Support Group Once a week for 4 weeks



Introducing our virtual Parent Support Group

Facilitated by Family Based Solutions  
Supporting families since 2012

Join us every week for a month to connect with other parents, share experiences, and gain valuable insights. This online group is designed to provide a safe space for parents to discuss challenges, seek advice, and build a supportive community.

Suitable for parents/carers/grandparents looking for ways to improve their current situation when faced with conflict and challenging behaviours. Let's navigate the ups and downs of parenting together.

**GROUP 2**  
Thursday's

**1230pm-2pm**

19th March 2026  
26th March 2026  
16th April 2026  
23rd April 2026

**GROUP 3**  
Tuesday's

**1230pm-2pm**

28<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
5<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
19<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**GROUP 4**  
Thursday's

**630pm-8pm**

30<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
7<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
14<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
21<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Switching groups is not permitted.  
Due to sensitive discussions children should not be present during the weekly sessions.

Sign up confidentially for this 4-week journey:  
**CONTACT DETAILS** [admin@familybasedsolutions.org.uk](mailto:admin@familybasedsolutions.org.uk)  
Tel: 020 8363 6262

[www.familybasedsolutions.org.uk](http://www.familybasedsolutions.org.uk)  
[www.facebook.com/familybasedsolutions](https://www.facebook.com/familybasedsolutions)  
Family Based Solutions (FBS) Charity No. 1149383