



Wishing you all a Restful Summer Break!

A Message from Mr Owen



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach 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 anticipate that the majority of our students will gain places at good universities. 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 for their expertise in helping them achieve the best possible examination results.

Our work on providing students with educational experiences outside the classroom has continued, with over 160 trips run this year and in excess of 1,200 students having attended at least one. Our data analysis continues to show that students who go on school trips make better progress and attain better grades than those who do not; I therefore want to thank you for your continued support in making sure your children make the most of the opportunities offered to them. As a result of this work, the school is now working towards the prestigious Learning Outside the Classroom Gold Award.

The extra-curricular activities available to our students remains the envy of the Local Authority and continues to be a major factor in parents choosing to send their children to Winchmore School. We currently have over 20 Chinese students visiting from our partner school in Shunde, with our own students visiting China once again in October. I am especially grateful to the families who have agreed to host Chinese students, and to Mr Thompson for maintaining our flourishing partnership. We have also run trips to France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Snowdonia, Dorset, East Anglia, and Devon, just to name a few! I continue to receive emails daily thanking our staff and complimenting our students on their fantastic behaviour when they are representing the school. Our sporting performance also remains at an exceptionally high level, with our students being crowned Borough Champions in almost every age group, alongside many other notable achievements.

The Arts continue to be a major strength at Winchmore, highlighted by the fantastic performance of Mary Poppins and the wonderful showcase of talent in our Winter and Summer Concerts. I am, as always, incredibly grateful - and a little overwhelmed - by the support you as families give to these events, and for the hard work and time my staff dedicate to making them so special.

Our new Sixth Form Centre is now in full use. It has been a fantastic addition to our already excellent facilities and has allowed us to admit significantly more students into Year 12. We have also opened our new school gym, which is now being enjoyed by both staff and students.

Once again, thank you for the wonderful support you have given to our school community and for continuing to attend our school events. I hope you and your families have a lovely, restful summer, and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Owen



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Winchmore Students Shine in 'Romeo and Juliet Remixed'!



What a spectacular culmination to weeks of hard work, energy, and creativity! Working in partnership with **The Rudolph Walker Foundation**, our talented students recently took to the stage for a final performance of *Romeo and Juliet Remixed* that left the audience spellbound.

Adding to the magic of the event, we were absolutely thrilled to welcome two very special VIP guests to the audience: the legendary **Rudolph Walker CBE** (founder of the Rudolph Walker Foundation) and acclaimed actress **Lindsey Coulson**. In an incredibly inspiring, full-circle moment, Lindsey - who is herself a former Winchmore student - returned to her old school to cheer on the next generation of creative talent. Having such iconic stars of British stage and screen in the audience was an unforgettable highlight, proving just how much the industry values the hard work happening right here at Winchmore.



Behind this brilliant show was a deep, transformative journey. Over the course of the term, **The Rudolph Walker Foundation** worked closely with Winchmore School to build a creative process that gave our students a unique way into performance.

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Trust, Play, and No Fear of Mistakes

At the heart of the foundation's method is breaking down the stigma that so often surrounds Shakespeare, classical text, and public speaking. The drama room became a safe space where students were completely free to play, make mistakes, laugh, and test out big ideas without the fear of judgment.

"If a word came out wrong or a moment didn't land, it was never treated as a failure. It was simply part of the learning process."

By establishing this trust early on, our students naturally embraced a level of discipline, focus, and detail that allowed them to truly take ownership of the text.

The Power of the Ensemble

One of the most inspiring parts of this project was watching the group evolve. While the students involved come from different year groups, friendship circles, and social dynamics, they found a powerful togetherness on stage.

The synchronized chorus moments, the shared physical rhythm, and the way the wider group supported individual performers showed true leadership and teamwork. These skills - listening, focus, courage, and self-expression - will serve our students long after the stage lights go down.



We are incredibly proud of every single student who took part, and we want to extend a massive thank you to The Rudolph Walker Foundation for their dedication, belief, and brilliant mentorship. We are already looking at ways to keep this creative momentum going!

Huge congratulations to the following Year 9 students: **Chrishan Dissanayeke, James Melady, Vitomir Karaasenov, Alana Lambrou, Esme Ruthven, Aaron Andrews, Lily Conyer, Ilda Peycheva, Ivo pieniek, Mia Mudditt, , Olivia Stewart, Shylar Obi, Rameek Small and Jayden Kasa Puna.**

A Level Law Trip

On Wednesday 1st July, Year 12 students who are studying A Level Law at Winchmore visited the UK Parliament at Westminster. During the visit, students had a tour of the parliamentary estate, including the House of Commons. They also had the opportunity to meet with a senior Labour MP, Hon Valerie Vaz, who shared her experience in law and politics before engaging students in a wide-ranging and intellectually stimulating discussion.

Students then observed the Prime Minister's Questions and were treated to a comprehensive range of matters in the interactions between Prime Minister Keir Starmer and other members of parliament; from the animated and entertaining to the epochal and even sombre.





Recommended Summer Reading for Students

Birdlands

by Anthony McGowan

McGowan has written several short, accessible but meaty novels designed to capture the hearts and minds of young adult readers. This one is no exception! The story of three birds, struggling for survival, *Birdlands*, is a highly readable page-turner but it also raises important themes about the natural world, the individual and community, and why unselfishness and supportiveness to others really matter. A Barrington Stoke dyslexia-friendly quick read.

Runaways

by E.L. Norry

Two narrators, a boy and a girl, with very different reasons for running away and no intention of teaming up. Some parts are tense, other parts are sad, but the two characters gradually start to understand each other and everything works out in the end.

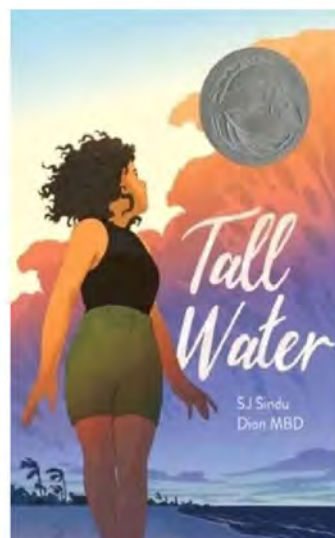
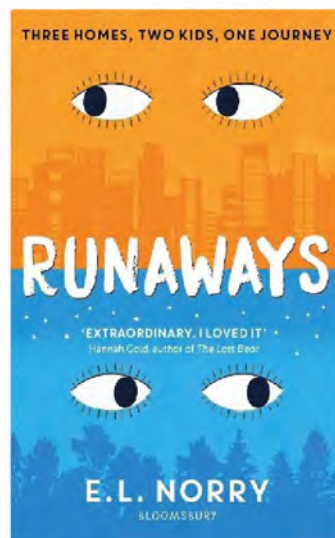
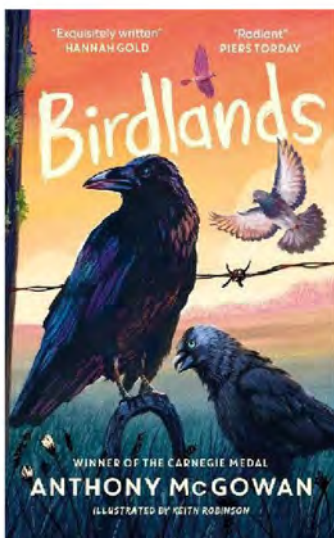
Graphic novel: Tall Water

by SJ Sindu, illustrated by Dion Mbd.

A teenager visits her mother in Sri Lanka. Tough themes – war, a tsunami, a strained relationship with her mother – beautifully depicted. LGBTQIA+ representation.

The Vulpine, by Polly Crosby

Inventive dystopia with some great twists which raises questions about disability in a KS3 friendly way



The Voyage of Sam Singh

by Gita Ralleigh

Magic realist race-against-time to save Moon, Sam's older brother, who has been missing for years and may, or may not, be a prisoner in notorious Octopus jail.

The Last Pebble

by Alex Horne

A very sweet little book from the TaskMaster creator about an awkward boy discovering his grandfather's history.

The Nine Moons of Han Yu and Luli

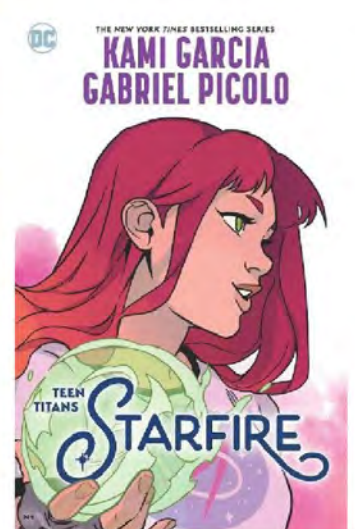
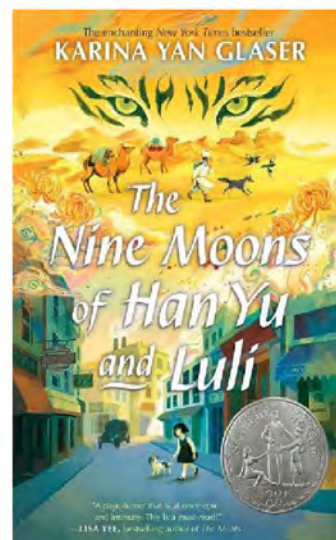
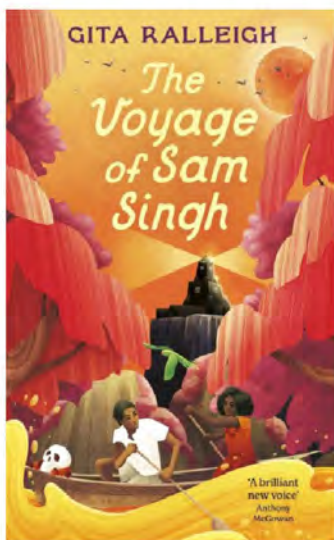
by Karina Yan Glazer

Historical, magic realist novel good for Y7. Dual stories, one taking place in 1931 New York's China Town and the other in 731 in China. It is beautifully written and has won various awards in the U.S.

Graphic novel: Starfire

by Kami Garcia and Gabriel Piccolo

Part of the Teen Titans series. Kori has Ehlers Danlos Syndrome. When her uncle, CEO of a big pharmaceutical company, asks her to sign up for a clinical trial for a treatment, Kori discovers that the pull she always felt towards space has an origin she couldn't have guessed.



happy reading!

Free Breakfast for Summer!

**FREE BREAKFAST FOR SUMMER: MORRISONS AND KELLOGG'S
TEAM UP TO FEED FAMILIES**

Morrisons and Kellogg's have announced the return of their school holiday 'Breakfast Clubs', offering free meals to families across the UK to help ease the financial pressure over the summer holidays.

Families visiting their local Morrisons Café throughout the summer holidays can enjoy a free 'Kellogg's Breakfast', which includes a bowl of cereal and a portion of fruit. The best part, it's not just for kids, adults get to eat completely free too.

Both kids and adults can choose from much-loved favourites Corn Flakes or Rice Krispies, topped with their choice of dairy or non-dairy milk and a free apple or banana.



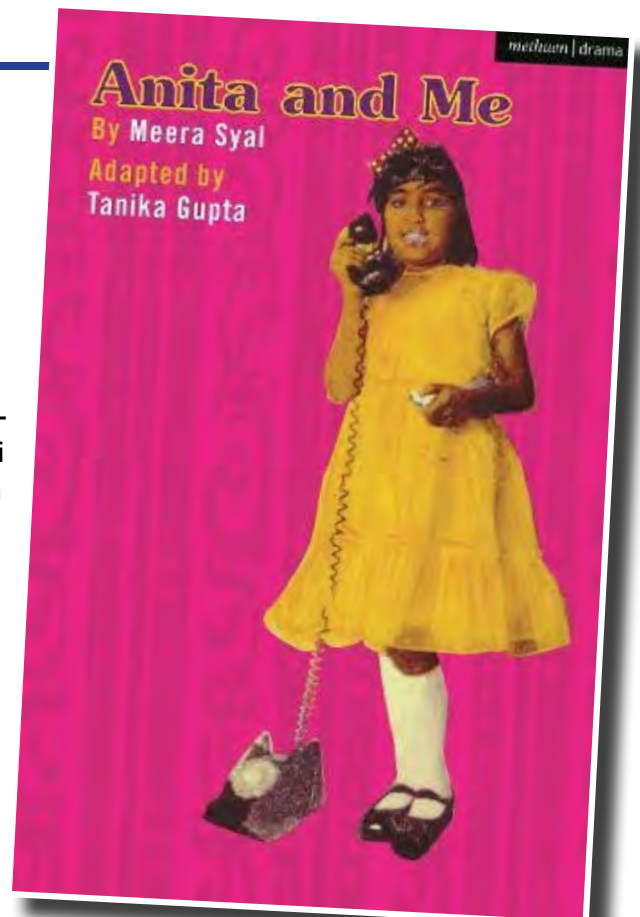
The summer holiday offer will be available from 29th June to 6th September across all Morrisons Cafes nationwide.

Available in the Library...

Anita and Me - Meera Syal

Blonde, sassy and rebellious, Anita Rutter is everything nine-year-old Meena wants to be. Growing up in the only Punjabi family in the village, Meena is desperate to break free from her parents. She wants fishfingers and chips, not chapati and dhal; she wants an English Christmas, not her family's endless Diwali celebrations. And more than anything, she wants Anita to accept her into her gang.

But is a friendship with Anita Rutter really everything it seems?



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TBC
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TBC
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