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FRANZ XAVER WINTERHALTER (1805-73)

The Royal Family in 1846 Signed and dated 1846

Oil on canvas | 250.5 x 317.3 cm (support, canvas/panel/str external) | RCIN 405413

📍 East Gallery, Buckingham Palace

823. THE ROYAL FAMILY IN 1846 (Plate 730)
Buckingham Palace (1678). 260.2 x 316.9 cm, 98½ x 124½ in.

Signed and dated: *F Winterhalter, Dec. 1846*. Inscribed on the back with the names of the sitters and: *painted by F. Winterhalter / Dec. 1846*.

Group of full-length figures in a room which is open to a view of the sea. The Queen, in evening dress, and Prince Albert, in court dress, sit on two of the chairs from the set made by Morel & Seddon for Windsor Castle in 1828 but now in the Green Drawing-Room at Buckingham Palace. The Queen wears a head-ornament, enriched with sapphires, probably designed by the Prince and ear-rings and a stomacher *en suite*; and the ribbon and star of the Garter; the Prince wears the Garter and the ribbon and star of the Order and the badge of the Golden Fleece. The

Queen has her right arm round the shoulders of the Prince of Wales, who wears the Russian blouse which the royal children sported at this time; in front of them Prince Alfred sets off towards his sisters, Victoria, Princess Royal, and Princess Alice, who help to support the infant Princess Helena who lies on an ermine-lined mantle on a large cushion. On the left is a large urn filled with flowers.