

# WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY



Being Kind, Confident Minds,  
Ready for Life Long Learning

## NEWSLETTER

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Friday 13th December 2024



### Christmas Play



Our Christmas performances will be on the following dates:

#### Year 1 Performance

Monday 16th December 2pm

#### Year 2 Performance

Tuesday 17th December 2pm

**Please make sure you return your letter to book tickets!**

### Safety Corner



This Christmas holiday, there may be a lot of gadgets around the house that contain batteries. Batteries can be very dangerous for children especially button batteries (in the picture above) as these are easily swallowed. Please click on the link for more information and how to

<https://www.gosh.nhs.uk/conditions-and-treatments/conditions-we-treat/button-batteries-using-them-safely/>

Language of the month (December):

**Polish**

Value of the month:

**Tolerance**

### Christmas Party day

On Wednesday 18th December it will be our Christmas party day. The children will have Christmas dinner and class party with a children's entertainer. Children may wear their own clothes. No onesies or open toed shoes please!



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th December—Last day for Nursery

20th December—Last day for School finish at 1.10pm

6th January—Inset day, School and Nursery closed

7th January—First day of Term

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 91.5%

Target for all children: 96%

**3 hours 57 minutes of learning time was lost due to lateness this week**



Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 start at 8.55am (doors open from 8.45am)

Nursery starts at 8.30am (morning / all day) or 12.30pm (afternoon) - please arrive on time as it's just as important for Nursery as School to be punctual!



### This Week's Learnersaurus Awards



Nursery	Onash	Micah
Nursery	Ayla	
Owls	Safa	Marie
Robins	Anastasia	Yasmine
Squirrels	Safaa	Leo
Foxes	Hana	Muzzamil
Kingfishers	Thavisha	Amos
Otters	Muhammad-Hussain	Eric

# WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

## Nursery

We are so proud of all our wonderful children and the amazing learning they have done this term. Thank you for everyone who came to our Christmas Sing- a-long. What a wonderful way to end the children's first term this academic year in Nursery. We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and hope you all have a lovely time with your family.



## Reception

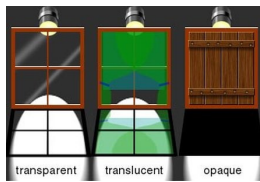
This week we have been learning about patterns. We weighed Christmas resources on the balance scales and compared weights.

We looked at the artist Van Gogh and his work 'Starry Night' and we explored shades of blues to make swirly skies.



## Year 1

This week we started our new unit in English; instructional writing. In maths, we have been revisiting prior learning. In Science, we have conducted an investigation and explored whether materials were transparent or opaque. On Friday we performed our Christmas play to the rest of the school.



## Year 2

This week we met our Year 2 visitor, Elvis the Elf. He has been making mischief and playing pranks on all of us! In English we have been learning about recount texts and unpicking their features. In Maths we have been showcasing our learning from this term. In Science we concluded our bread investigation and explained what we have learnt about hygiene. In DT we made and ate our salads – they were delicious!



# WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

**Nursery** Next week we will be continuing our learning about Christmas and will also be making cards and calendars.

**Reception** Next week we will be finishing off our Christmas calendars. We will also be completing our Christmas tree cards. We will discuss the names of musical instruments while singing Christmas songs. We will continue to order objects of different sizes and weights from lightest to heaviest.

**Year 1** English- We are going to be learning about instruction writing.  
Maths- We are going to be revisiting prior learning.  
Topic- We will be making our smoothies.

**Year 2** English- We are going to write a letter back to the Head Elf recounting all of the things that Elvis the Elf did in our school.  
Maths- We are going to be recapping key strategies and concepts from this term.  
Topic- We are going to be creating our canvas bags using our stamp designs in Art. We will be having a celebration day with Auntie Julie. We are looking forward to performing to you for our Nativity play!

## New School Dinner Menu for week commencing 16th December

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>RED</b>	Breaded Chicken Roll	Chicken Pie	Christmas Turkey & Chipolata Sausage with Sage and Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Hot Dog (V)	Battered Fish Fillet
<b>GREEN</b>	Margherita Wrap (V)	Veggie Sausage Bow Pasta (Ve)	Quorn Fillet & Veggie Sausage with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy (V)	Egg Breakfast Muffin (V)	Classic Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V)
<b>PURPLE</b>	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
<b>BLUE</b>	Tuna Roll	Cheese Spread Sandwich (V)		Cheese Baguette (V)	Egg Roll (V)

If you would like your child to have Christmas lunch on Wednesday 18th December please choose this option on the Arbor app.

### HOMEWORK CHALLENGES

***Please spend time with your child to explore this week's challenge. The teachers will talk to the children about what they have learnt at home every Friday.***

#### ***Nursery:***

This time of year is a great time to think about ways we can be kind and helpful to others. Find a way that you can help someone in your family.

#### ***Reception:***

How many objects can you find that are blue? Are they different shades of blue? Light blue? Turquoise? Dark blue? Draw some pictures of these objects and label them.

#### ***Year 1:***

Elvis the Elf has to make his way back to the North Pole next week. Can you make a sleigh for his journey back?

#### ***Year 2:***

Can you use junk modelling/arts and crafts to build/make a home for Jingle and Elvis the Elf? Bring your creation in so Elvis and Jingle can test it out!

#### School Contact Details

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***If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason you must inform the school office by 9.30am explaining clearly the reason for the absence.***

# SEND newsletter

## Local SEND information with a focus on Parents and Families

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MOwabUSTg-TX4b8p2gobcFgLfKqCvZkn/view?usp=sharing>



### "What's On?" IN THE AREA



#### **atria** Visit Santa and the Wishmas Owl

Whisper your wishes to the magical Wishmas Owl at Atria, Watford's new festive adventure with Santa and the Woodland Elves. This free attraction is running from 30th November to 24th December (dates and times vary) and is the most magical Christmas experience for families to enjoy. [Book](#) your free ticket today.

For more details click on link below:

[Wishmas Owl | Atria Watford: Shopping Centre, Watford](#)



#### Three Rivers District Council presents the exciting Christmas Trail at Leavesden Country Park

Starting Monday, 2 December, families can embrace the festive spirit outdoors by tackling the **Santa Needs You Challenge Trail**. Solve riddles and puzzles at 10 stops scattered across the park's North and South sections for a chance to win a prize. **Running until Wednesday, 1 January 2025**, the trail is entirely free and designed for all ages to enjoy.

For more details click on link below:

[Take on the Santa Needs You Trail for festive fun and adventure | Leisure, parks and culture | Three Rivers District Council](#)

#### Fri 6th – Tues 31st Dec – Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime



This year's panto at Watersmeet Theatre, High Street, Rickmansworth WD3 1EH, will certainly grow on you. Jack and the Beanstalk runs from 6th – 31st December 2024.

To book click below

<https://www.watersmeet.co.uk/jack-and-the-beanstalk24>



#### Watford Palace Theatre

Company presents

#### ALADDIN

30 NOV - 31 DEC 2024

For further details click on link below:

[Aladdin - Watford Palace Theatre](#)



#### Santa Sleigh

Come along and meet Santa on **Saturday 7th December from 10am – 5pm**, at Tesco Superstore, Frogmoor Wharf, Harefield, road, Rickmansworth, WD3 1LX.

#### Local Christmas Fairs & Markets

- **Croxley Green Parish Council at Croxley Green Library** - Explore a variety of stalls offering handcrafted gifts, seasonal decorations, and unique treats while warming up with a cup of mulled wine. Indulge in delicious sweet treats and festive bakes as you soak in the lively atmosphere of music and twinkling lights. Visit the enchanting **Santa's Grotto**, where children can meet Father Christmas and share their Christmas wishes. **Saturday 7th December from 2.30pm – 6pm** - Barton Way, Croxley Green, Rickmansworth, WD3 3HB.
- **Mill End Community Centre - Annual Christmas Market** on Saturday, 7th December from 2pm – Old School Building, Church Lane, Mill End, Rickmansworth, WD3 8HD.
- **Reveley Lodge - Christmas Lights, Arts and Craft Fair**—Saturday, 7th December 2-7pm - Bespoke Art and Craft Christmas Gifts, Refreshments, Meet Father Christmas, Carols at 2.30pm and spectacular lights in the garden and around the house - 88, Elstree Road, Bushey Heath, WD23 4GL
- **Rickmansworth Park JMI School** - Park Road, Rickmansworth WD3 1HU, will be holding its very first **Festive Christmas Market** on Saturday 7th December from 3pm – 7pm.
- **Royal Masonic School in Rickmansworth - Annual Christmas Fair** is back and better than ever! Join them on **Saturday 7th December 7th from 11am – 3pm** at the beautifully renovated Great Hall of the Royal Masonic School in Rickmansworth. Get ready for a festive shopping extravaganza, featuring a bustling marketplace perfect for students and local residents to enjoy.
- **Watford Festive Sunday Market - December 8, the Watford Sunday Market** will have a festive twist as it hosts a special Christmas Market. Still serving its produce and street food, there will be some extra stands selling Christmas goods.
- **Yorke Mead Primary School - Christmas Fun Day** - Christmas craft room, lucky dip, Santa's grotto and lots more at this Christmas fun day on **Saturday 14th December from 1pm – 4pm**, at Yorke Mead Primary School, Dulwich Way, Croxley Green, Rickmansworth, WD3 3PX.

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

DEC 18th

### MAIN MENU

Christmas Turkey & Chipolata Sausage with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy  
or  
Quorn Fillet (v) & Veggie Sausage (Ve) with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy

### SERVED WITH

Roast Potatoes with a Choice of Seasonal Vegetables

### DESSERT

Choice of Christmas Dessert

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www.hcl.co.uk

\*Menus are subject to change due to supplier stock availability | Christmas Menu Option 1

### FREE WEBINARS

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO NEED SUPPORT WITH...

- ANXIETY
- SELF-HARM
- LGBTQ+ AND GENDER
- SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

FIND OUT MORE