

# WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

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# Half term holiday

Next week is the half term break for school and nursery —enjoy the rest and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 20th February .

# Parking and driving near school

We encourage children to travel to school on foot for lots of reasons: it's a great way to get some exercise, but also parking is very difficult near school and traffic in Watford is very busy in the mornings.

If you do have to drive to school, please be considerate when parking. You must NOT park on the zigzag lines outside school and parents are not allowed into the school car park when picking up or dropping off. There is no parking at any time on Neal Street or Roberts Road unless you are a resident of **I** 



We will be marking World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. We would love it if children could celebrate by dressing up as their favourite book character (but please avoid onesies or long dresses—costumes need to be practical for a day in school!).



# 1 hour 17 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!

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 13th-Friday 17th February

School & Nursery closed for Half Term

# World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March

Thursday 30th March

Last Day of Term for Nursery

# Friday 31st March

Last Day of Term for School (finish 1.10pm)

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 88.9% Target for all children: 96%

## This Week's Learnersaurus Awards

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☆ Nursery	Zoe (Hedgehogs)	Elsa 🔶 (Rabbits) 🛧				
☆ Nursery	Eesa M (Woodpeckers)					
☆ Owls	Lyla	Aditya 🖕				
☆ Robins	Imaan	Hewaad 🖌				
☆ Squirrels	Aamina	Ivan 🖌				
☆ Foxes	Luay	Ibby 🖌				
★ Kingfishers	Lok	Lenny 🛧				
★ Otters		Sami 🍦				

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# WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

# Nursery

This week we have really enjoyed being the Characters in the Three Billy Goat Gruff story and have been retelling the story using the key phrases like "Who's that trip trapping over my bridge". We have also been using our skills of classifying and have been sorting different toys in our Nursery and saying how they are the same. Eg: they are wearing stripy jumpers, these people have blue trousers.



#### Reception

This week we have been writing our own versions of The Gingerbread Man, using our changed story maps from last week. We thought about simple sentences, held them in our heads as we wrote and then checked our sentences. We have been practising making sure our sentences start with a capital letter, have spaces between words and a full stop at the end.



#### Year 1

In Year 1 this week, we enjoyed our morning at the church finding out how we belong to different groups, like we belong to Watford Field Infants and Foxes/Squirrels class and people are welcomed into the Christian religion. We concluded our traditional tale unit writina our traditional tale bv own independently. In Maths, we had a go at the 'Think 10' method when adding, by using our knowledge of number bonds and tens and ones. We also took part in Safer Internet Day, by discussing what to do and who to go to if we see/hear something online. 10

Year 2

In English we innovated the text of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and made our writing exciting for the reader by using expanded noun phrases, they were a joy to read. In Maths we have been using our knowledge of addition and subtraction to solve word problems. On Tuesday it was 'Safer Internet Day', we learnt about how to make sure we are using the internet safely and what do if we feel unsafe online.



## WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL AFTER HALF TERM

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- **Nursery** After half term we will begin our week by talking, designing and making pancakes and will introduce out new topic 'On the farm'.
- **Reception** After half term, we will be introducing our new topic 'Off We Go', finding out about journeys and transport.
- **Year 1** After half term, we will be using the 'Think 10' strategy to help us when subtracting. In Science, we will be planting our own flowering plant and thinking about how to look after them. In English, we will be looking at a poem, before having a go at writing our own rhyming poem. In History, we will be travelling back in time to 1912 and looking at historical sources to compare life to today.
- Year 2 English: We are going to explore instruction writing.
  Maths: We are going to be looking at time.
  Topic: In PSHE we going to be exploring what it means to keep our bodies and minds healthy.

# School Dinner Menu for week commencing 20th February

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	BBQ Dusted Chicken with Rice	Mediterranean Roll with Potato Wedges (Ve)	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing with Roast Potatoes or Pasta	Cottage Pie	Battered Fish with Oven Chips or Pasta
GREEN	Italian Pasta Bake (Ve) with Crusty Bread	Macaroni Cheese (v) with Garlic Bread	Sausages in Yorkshire Pudding (v) with Roast Potatoes or Pasta	Quorn Burger in a Bun (v) with Diced Potatoes	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v) with Oven Chips or Pasta
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans
BLUE	Cheese Baguette (v)	Chicken Mayo Wrap	Tuna Sandwich	Ham Roll	Egg Roll (v)
DESSERT	Banana Custard	Fruit Wedges	Chocolate & Courgette Muffin	Fresh Fruit Jelly	Spiced Orange Bun

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:

We are so proud of all your learning this half term. Please bring in a photo, draw a picture, make a collage of something you have enjoyed doing with your family this week to share and talk about within your key groups.

#### Reception:

What can you find out about transport and journeys? You might want to record your research with drawings, photos, labels or even a sentence.

#### Year 1: choose one option

Half term activities;

- 2d shapes (sheet) cut and stick or draw
- Phonic practice (sheet)- spot special friends and read alien and real words.

## Year 2:

In History we have been learning all about the Great Fire of London. Over half term we would like you to design or build a house typical of that from 1666 for our Great Fire of London model village.

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



https://watfordpalacetheatre.co.uk/events/sharkin-the-park/

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