

# WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Being Kind, Confident Minds, Ready for Life Long Learning

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We will be raising funds for Children in Need with a non uniform day next Friday 17th November. Please make sure your



child is dressed suitably for a day at school i.e. no onesies / long dresses / open toe shoes!

If you prefer to donate online we've set up a page for our school with Justgiving at

https://www.justgiving.com/page/karen-west-1699442732608?utm\_medium=fundraising&ut m\_content=page%2Fkaren-west-

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Monday 13th November

Odd Sock Day

**Friday 17th November** Children in Need Non-uniform day

Thursday 7th December

11am Nursery Christmas Sing-a-long

2.45pm Nursery Christmas Sing-a-long

**Friday 8th December** 

9.30am Reception Christmas Play

## Monday 11th December

2pm Year 2 Christmas Play Tuesday 12th December

2pm Year 1 Christmas Play

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 91.9% Target for all children: 96%

#### 3 hours and 6 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!



# Odd Sock Day

The school is having an Odd Sock Day on Monday 13th November to

launch Anti-bullying week and celebrate how everyone is



unique. We look forward to seeing the children in their odd sock combinations!

## Illness / Absence

Thank you to everyone who has called this week to let us know that their child was unwell. A reminder that if your child has diarrhoea and / or vomiting, they must stay off school for 48 hours after the last time they were sick / had diarrhoea. Either call the school and leave a message on the absence line or email on: absence@fieldinfants.herts.sch.uk.

Please let the school office know if your child is going to be absent from school - if they are off for more than two days please call again with an update. We do need to know the reason for absence in all cases so please make sure you provide this information clearly.

### This Week's Learnersaurus Awards

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# WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

#### Nursery

This week we have enjoyed sharing experiences and have been talking about Bonfire night and fireworks. We have used chalks and paints to recreate their own fireworks pictures. In Maths we have been using the words higher, taller and shorter to compare heights of different objects.



Year 1

In English, we found out how time words help order events. In Maths, we found the difference between numbers by finding how many more there were. In History, we continued to examine Historical sources about our school and we looked at how members of staff have changed. We looked at Diwali and learnt the story of Rama and

Sita. In PSHE we looked at the differences between us. We will also made and poppies and thought about Remembrance Day.



Reception

This week we have been continuing with the story of Whatever Next, the children have been acting it out and discussing the characters and writing about things they would want to take

with them to the moon. In maths, the children have worked so hard at using their counting skills to count moving objects and sounds.



Year 2

This week in Maths we have been using mental addition and subtraction strategies to support our learning. In English, we have been using thesauruses to help us use interesting vocabulary within our writing. We conducted a hygiene investigation on Tuesday in Science. On Friday we

celebrated both Diwali and Remembrance Day.



WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

- **Nursery** Next week is National nursery rhyme week. <u>https://</u> <u>www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/</u> This link also shares music and online video links of the 5 rhymes that we will be focusing and singing. Please join in at home too. Monday – Head Shoulders Knees and Toes, Tuesday – Hickory Dickory Dock, Wednesday – Jack and Jill went up the hill, Thursday – Row, row, row your boat, Friday – Wheels on the bus
- **Reception** Next week we will continue our discussions and play around the Space theme. We will also sing the Flying to the Moon song and will be practicing, describing and comparing objects or pictures, using language of bigger, smaller, longer/taller, shorter, wider/fatter/thicker, thinner, heavier and lighter.
- **Year 1** In English, we will be innovating the story of 'Stick Man' by changing the characters he met. In Maths, we will be looking at the language of 'equality' and 'balance' with the equals sign. In PSHE, we will be thinking about the meaning of 'bullying' and how we want to share kindness at our school. In Science, we will be investigating which materials are waterproof and absorbent. In D and T we will be looking at the eat well plate and how to have a balanced diet. In RE we will be looking at the importance of light in different religions. In History we will be looking at historical sources and how members of staff who used to attend the school have changed.
- **Year 2** Maths: We are going to be finding complements of number English: We are going to be exploring adverbs and similes Topic: In History, we are going to be comparing the lives of Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale.

## School Dinner Menu for week commencing 13th November

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	Quorn Burger in a Bun (v)	Beef Bolognese	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Pork Sausages with Gravy	Fish Fingers
GREEN	Baked Bean and Cheese Slice (v)	Sweet Potato and & Pea Samosa Burrito (ve)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy (v)	Cheese Pinwheel (v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)
PURPLE	Tomato Pasta with Cheese (v)	Jacket Potato with various toppings	Jacket Potato with various toppings	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Jacket Potato with various toppings
BLUE	Cream Cheese Sandwich (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Sandwich	Tuna Roll	Egg Roll (v)

### 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 weekend spend time singing and sharing your favourite nursery rhymes together as a family. Challenge yourselves to learn one of the rhymes we will be singing next week and add this to your families favourites.

### Reception:

Plan a tea party on the moon for the aliens. You could draw pictures of the food you want at the party. Think about what kind of food an alien might like - star biscuits, rocket jelly or moon cheese balls, the possibilities are endless!

#### Year 1:

Can you find the difference between the two numbers? Remember to draw the line of difference first.

Don't forget to have a look at the next set of spellings too!

#### Year 2:

Can you research Diwali and how it is celebrated. If as a family you celebrate Diwali please could you bring in any photographs or objects?

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Email (Absence)	absence@fieldinfants.herts.sch.uk				
If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason you <u>must</u> inform the school office by 9.30am explaining clearly the reason for the absence.					