



**WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL
INFANT AND NURSERY
NEWSLETTER**

**Being Kind, Confident Minds,
Ready for Life Long Learning
Autumn Term Issue 6
Friday 13 October 2023**



Harvest Collection

In the next couple of weeks, we look forward to learning about Harvest, including an assembly with the Youth Minister from WellSpring Church on 18th October. As a school we will be collecting for Watford Foodbank and would welcome any donations. You can find a list of foods they are in most need of on their website watfordfoodbank.co.uk. Please bring any donations into school by Friday 20th October.



Job Vacancy

We are currently recruiting for an Admin Assistant (32.5 hours a week, term time only) Full details are being advertised on Teach in Herts at www.teachinherts.com (look under 'Professional and Support Roles').

Goodbye

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Baker who is leaving us today. She will be missed by us all. We are sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for her new role.

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 90.5%

Target for all children: 96%

1 hour and 5 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

Parent Consultations (book via Arbor)

Monday 16th October 3.30-5pm
Wednesday 18th October 4-6pm
Thursday 19th October 3.30-5pm

Nursery Parent Consultations

Monday 16th October 3.50-5pm
Wednesday 18th October 4-6pm
Thursday 19th October 3.50-5pm
Wednesday 1st November 9am-3pm

Half Term—23rd October - 27th October
School & Nursery Closed

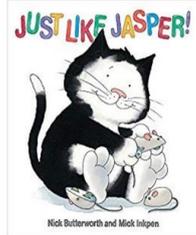
This Week's Learnersaurus Awards

Nursery	Pedram (Hedgehogs)	Zahra (Rabbits)
Nursery	Hadley (Woodpeckers)	
Owls	Soraya	Tymek
Robins	Zaki	Mahdiya
Squirrels	Amos	Farah-Grace
Foxes	Muhammad Hussain	Hewaad
Kingfishers	Asia	Monty
Otters	Aisha	Hana

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

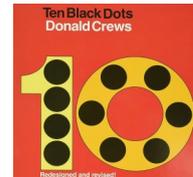
Nursery

We have been reading the story 'Just Like Jasper' and have thought about if we had some birthday money to spend like Jasper what would we choose to buy. In maths we have learnt to use the words big, bigger, small and smaller to compare different objects.



Reception

This week the children have really enjoyed all of the activities around Goldilocks and the Three Bears. They have been role-playing the story, making Goldilocks posters and designing a new chair for baby Bear! In Maths this week we have used our subitising skills and created dot pictures which has been linked to the story 'Ten Black Dots'.



Year 1

In English, we wrote our 'Hot Task' by independently writing our own journey story. In Maths, we learnt about the language of addition and writing number sentences to show parts being added to make the whole. In Geography we looked at the human features in Watford e.g. the shopping centre, the Football stadium and where they are on a map of Watford. In PSHE, we thought about how our choices have consequences. In Art we learnt how to mix colours to make secondary colours.



Year 2

This week in Maths we have been practicing counting forward and backwards and applying our knowledge of addition and subtraction. In English we have innovated our own versions of 'Where the Wild Things are'.



WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

- Nursery** We will continue recalling and acting out the story 'Just Like Jasper'. We will be having imaginative birthday party celebrations with our friends, making cakes, singing and dancing.
- Reception** Next week, we will be introducing The Little Red Hen story and will be labelling characters, sequencing the story and even writing the story map. In Maths, we are going to continue working on our subitising skills with a focus on objects that are not static.
- Year 1** In English we will be looking at a feelings poem and having a go at writing our own. In Maths we learn about the language of subtraction and how a part is taken away from the whole. In Art, we will use our knowledge of the skills of Bridget Riley and Piet Mondrian to create a final piece of 'All About Me!'. In Geography we will be going on a walk to Oxhey Park where we will be spotting the human and physical features. We will also be looking at and celebrating 'harvest' with songs and giving thanks to all we have.
- Year 2** Maths: We are learning to order numbers according to their magnitude. We will be comparing numbers using the $<$, $>$ and $=$ signs.
English: We are going to be starting our poetry unit focusing on weather poems. We are going to be rehearsing a poem, adding instruments to the reading and understanding what rhyming is.
Topic: We are going to be looking at existing salad packaging and evaluating it.

School Dinner Menu for week commencing 16th October

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:

Collect some autumn treasures, such as leaves, sticks, seed heads. See what patterns you can make using the treasures. Can you copy a pattern your grown-up has made using the autumn treasure? Talk about how they are the same and different. Please can we remind you to provide a family picture for your child's picture frame in Nursery.



Reception:

Can you go on an Autumn walk and look for signs of Autumn. See if you can find any conkers or pinecones and create a collage with them. As a challenge you could draw an Autumn picture and try to label it using the sounds you have learnt in phonics.

Year 1:

Can you go for an autumn walk and spot the signs of autumn? What happens to the deciduous trees and what happens to the evergreen trees? Make a poster of what you saw or an autumn picture.



Year 2:

Can you create a fact file about any country in the continent of Europe? We will be displaying these at school.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Discover the Eerie Delights of Atria's Halloween Half Term.

There's something creepy and crawly heading to Atria Watford this October Half Term, and all ghosts, goblins, and witches are invited to enjoy the fun.

From Monday 23 October at 11 am to 4 pm daily , mini monsters can have FREE fun each day of the week outside Puttshack:.

For further details of what is happening go to the website: www.atriawatford.com



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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.