



**WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL
INFANT AND NURSERY
NEWSLETTER**

**Being Kind, Confident Minds,
Ready for Life Long Learning
Spring Term Issue 6
Friday 16th February 2024**



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 Tuesday 27th February after the inset day. Please look out for local things happening in the area!

World Book day

We will be marking World Book Day on Thursday 7th 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!).

Calling all Scientists

We would welcome any parents working in the science field to come and talk to the children for British Science Week. Please contact the office if you feel you are able to help

Parent Consultations

We will be holding parent consultations for Reception, Year One and Year Two children on the following dates:

Monday 4th March 3.30—5pm

Wednesday 6th March 4-6pm

Thursday 7th March 3.30—5pm

Booking for parent consultations will open on the Arbor app at 5pm today.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

19th — 23rd February Half term

26th February—Inset day, school and nursery closed

7th March—World Book Day

8th-17th March—British Science week

15th March—Red nose Day

27th March— last day for Nursery

28th March—Last day of term for school finishes at 1.10 pm

This Week's Learnersaurus Awards

Nursery	Vaishnavi	Ramiro
Nursery	Avyaan	
Owls	Dani	Safaa
Robins	Ella H	Caua
Squirrels	Aizah	Aditiya
Foxes	Primula	Fatima-zahra
Kingfishers	Monty	Asia
Otters	Leo	Hana

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 90.0 %

Target for all children: 96%

3 hours and 28 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!

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

<p style="text-align: center;">Nursery</p> <p>This week we introduced the number 3 matching numbers to actions. We have been doing phonics work and have acted out the story of the 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' using real world objects.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Reception</p> <p>This week in Maths, we have been focusing on finding 1 less than a number. In PE we had fun learning about sea creatures, we had fun moving in various ways like an octopus, crab and a fish. We had fun lots of fun enjoying our reward afternoon, decorating cupcakes and watching a movie.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Year 1</p> <p>In English we wrote a recount of when we planted carrot seeds. We have had fun observing them for any sign of growth! In Maths, we unpicked problems to determine whether we needed to find a part and subtract, or the whole and add. In Art we made our own sculptures out of paper or clay using inspiration from Franz West and Dame Barbara Hepworth. In Music we started to use Glockenspiels to create a pulse.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Year 2</p> <p>In English this week we have been exploring poetry and writing some of our own poems. In Maths, we have been exploring commutativity within addition and subtraction. On Monday we had a visit from Minister Karl who spoke to us about Shove Tuesday. On Tuesday we had our reward afternoon where we enjoyed some delicious pancakes.</p> 

WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

- Nursery** After half term our topic will be on the farm. We will introduce the children to farm animals and sing farm songs. We will continue with our numbers and phonics.
- Reception** After half term we will be introducing our new topic 'Off We Go!' looking at different transport. We will be introducing our new story 'The Train Ride' and we will be doing lots of activities around transport. In maths we will be focusing on Positional language.
- Year 1** In English we will be having a look at our next traditional tale of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. In Maths, we will be looking at solving problems and finding the difference. History we will look at Queen Elizabeth II and how she became Queen. In Design and Technology we will investigate the workings of different levers and what they are used for.
- Year 2** Maths: We will be exploring expanded subtraction methods
English: We will be introduced to our new story
Topic: We have a visit from the local fire station

School Dinner Menu for week commencing 27th February

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED		Beef Bolognese	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Pork Sausages with Gravy	Fish Fingers
GREEN		Sweet Potato and Pea Samosa Burrito (ve)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy (v)	Cheese Pin-wheel (v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)
PUR- PLE		Jacket Potato with various toppings	Jacket Potato with various toppings	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Jacket Potato with various toppings
BLUE		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:

Over half term if you go for a walk with your family can you see anything from the 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' story eg the bridge/troll?

Reception:

Can you draw your favourite type of transport or take a picture and write a sentence about why it is your favourite?

Year 1:

Can you work out the past tense of these verbs.
Extra challenge half term challenge.
Write a few sentences using past tense verbs about a happy time. e.g. I loved my birthday party. I played games. I jumped up and down and celebrated.

In the Past

I can add ed to the end of a word to create a new word.

1. Draw lines to match the picture to the correct word and finish the sentence by adding ed.

	wash	a) Tina wash _____ her hands.
	pick	b) Fay pick _____ up the toys.
	play	c) We _____ in the sand.
	need	d) Ju _____ a drink.
	kick	e) Jack _____ the ball.
	wait	f) Mum _____ for the bus.

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.

School Contact Details

Telephone
Email (School Office)
Email (Absence)

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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.

What's going on in the area?:

We're excited to invite families to our upcoming **Watford Museum on Tour event 'From Watford, with love'**, held at Watford Central Library Creator Space on **Thursday 22 February (1:30pm – 3:30pm) & Friday 23 February (10am – 12pm)**.

Families can join us at this free event, as we share the rich history of Watford with a display of objects from the collection, which highlight the many ways that people have communicated with each other.

Children of all ages are welcome, but parents/carers must supervise children at all times for their safety. No need to book but be aware that there may be a short wait for activities during busy times. Our friendly museum staff will be there to support you in your learning and discovery as this is a self-guided event.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.watfordmuseum.org.uk/museum-on-tour>



"What's On?" IN THE AREA



WILDPLAY THIS FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Join us this February for a
FREE Wild Play session
Leavesden Country Park

Ideal for children aged 2-9 years.

Thursday 22 February
10am – 11.30am

Leavesden Country Park
1, College Rd, Abbots Langley WD5 0NX
Meeting Point: One YMCA Woodlands Cafe

Join Groundwork East during February half-term to take part in fun outdoor activities. Learn more about your local surroundings and nature using arts, crafts, nature games and other activities.

Suitable for under 8's, but older siblings are welcome.

Rachel.rice@groundwork.org.uk

T: 07809 201254

[FREE Wild Play - Leavesden Tickets, Thu 22 Feb](#)

[2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Harebreaks Recreation Ground

New adventure park for children
aged 5 to 15.

Lots of fun activities including:

- 12 metre tower among the trees with 2 slides
 - climbing wall
- netted area for scrambling



Kids Eat for Free

Morrisons – spend £4.49 and get one free kid's meal all day, every day

M&S Café – free kids meal when an adult spends £5 available from until 24 February

Sainsbury's Cafes – kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main from 11.30am every day

ASDA – kids eat free for £1 all day, every day with no adult spend required

Pausa Café @ Dunelm – kids get one mini main, two snacks and a drink for free with every £4 spent after 3pm

IKEA – kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

Tesco – kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from 12 February - 23 February



Harwoods Adventure Playground

- double zip wire
- play tower with mid-air tunnel and slide
- climbing wall
- tower, accessed via a wibbly-wobbly bridge
- equipment that creates music and sounds to create a sensory experience that all young people can enjoy.



GAME ON
Sports Coaching

Game On
SPORTS COACHING

FREE
multi-sports courses this half term
Sports fun, games and matches with friends in an enjoyable and safe environment
Daily courses for children in Years 1-6 running from 9.00 am to 2.30 pm throughout the half-term holiday

Every year in February half-term we offer all our courses **FREE OF CHARGE** to children of selected Game On Schools:

Coates Way
Bushey Manor
Highwood

[Holiday Courses February](http://gameonsportscoaching.co.uk)
(gameonsportscoaching.co.uk)



PLAY RANGERS

Join the play rangers for building camp fires, toasting marshmallows, creating woodland crafts, climbing trees, rope swings and lots more outdoor fun!

During our sessions children and young people are encouraged to explore their local woodland and open spaces, where they can play freely.

Play rangers sessions are **FREE** and take place **4-6pm every weekday during term time**.