

WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY



Being Kind, Confident Minds,
Ready for Life Long Learning

NEWSLETTER
Spring Term Issue 1
Friday 9th January 2026



Welcome Back

Welcome back to school! We would like to remind you of the school timings below:

8.40am - School Starts

8.45am—School gates close

3.10pm—School Finishes

Please note if you arrive after 8.45am you must come to the School Office to sign your child in as late.

Please ensure your child arrives on time for school every day. Arriving on time ensures that your child does not miss out on important learning that takes place at the beginning of the school day. Late arrivals can be disruptive to the teacher and to other children's learning, as it interrupts the flow of the lesson and can also cause increased anxiety for your child. If your child comes into school after the register is closed this is automatically an unauthorised absence and will count towards the threshold of a penalty notice.

After School Clubs

Confirmation of the allocations of clubs have been sent home today. Payment can be made on Arbor or by cash or cheque to the school office.

Please ensure payment is made by 2nd February 2026

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16th—20th February—Half Term

23rd February—First day back

Thursday 26th March —Last day of term for Nursery

Friday 27th March —Last day of term for school, finish at 1.10pm

Safety Corner

Now that the weather has become colder, please can we remind you that your child needs a coat, hat and gloves. Please name all of these items. Please teach your child to put their gloves and hat into the pockets of their coat or down one of the sleeves so that they do not lose them.



Language of the month (January):

Hindi

Value of the month:

Perseverance

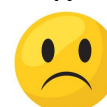
Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 92.1%

Target for all children: 96%

4 hours 11 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

Nursery

We have enjoyed meeting and welcoming our new children into our Nursery this week. We are looking forward to getting to know them and their families over the coming year. We have settled back into nursery with a winter time focus talking about the cold weather, snow and snowmen which we will continue.



Reception

This week we focussed on getting the children to write their holiday news.

We also explored icy, frozen lands! We took part in activities like designing igloos, making snowflakes, and role-playing in imaginary frozen worlds.



Year 1

We have enjoyed welcoming the children back to school and spoken about our class rules. We talked about the new year and what we would like to do this year. In English, we predicted what story we would be learning with a straw house, a stick house and a brick house. In Maths, we have started to think about ten and some more.



Year 2

It has been lovely welcoming the children back to school this week and hearing all about what they have been up to. In English, we have been introduced to our new text Jack and the Beanstalk, and the children have enjoyed exploring the story and its characters. In maths, we have been learning about statistics, focusing on collecting and interpreting data. In RE, we have been discussing what is right and wrong and sharing thoughtful ideas and opinions. In art, we looked at the work of Picasso and Rozanova, using their styles to inspire our own creative thinking. In Geography we were introduced to our new topic 'Poles Apart'.

WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Nursery

Next week we will be starting our new topic called 'Once Upon a time...' we will be reading lots of traditional stories, our first focus story is called **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**.

Reception

Next week, we plan to find out the children's prior knowledge about frozen lands and include hands-on activities like creating and melting ice balls. We will be making gingerbread men and introducing story maps. In Maths we will be focusing on sorting and classifying objects to support their understanding of properties and grouping.

Year 1

In English, we will be learning the text of 'The Three Little Pigs'. In Maths we will be looking at the teen numbers and the place value of ten and some more. In Science, we will be learning about the parts of a tree. In Art, we will be finding out about our new artists Franz West and Barbara Hepworth.

Year 2

English- We will be exploring comprehension questions on the text and looking at using apostrophes to possession

Maths- In maths we are going to be learning about expanded addition method

Topic- In history we are going to be introduced to The Great Fire of London and learning how the fire started

School Dinner Menu for week commencing 12th January

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	Quorn Hotdog (v)	Pork Sausages and Gravy	Roast Beef and Gravy	Chicken Curry	Fish fillet fingers
GREEN	Margherita Wrap (v)	Roasted Butternut Squash Curry (Ve)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Stuffing and Gravy (Ve)	Breaded Bean and Vegetable Grill (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
PURPLE	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
BLUE	Cheese Roll (v)	Salmon Roll	Ham Roll	Cheese Roll (v)	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:

Talk about the clothes you are wearing to keep you warm and dry in winter. Practise doing up your zips on your coats. Perhaps you could go on a wintery walk with a grown-up and look around to see the things that have changed, such as frost on the ground, no leaves on some trees, few flowers growing.

Reception:

Can you watch an ice cube melt and draw pictures of what you see.

Exploring Ice
Look at the ice cubes. Draw pictures or write about how the ice changes.

First	Then	Now
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What do you notice?

Year 1:

Can you make one or more of the three pigs' houses? Maybe you could make some puppets to help us act out the story!



Year 2:

In geography we have been learning about the Arctic and Antarctica, can you research one thing that is the same about the places and one thing that is different? (Animals, weather, people, ice, land) - You may wish to present this as a mini booklet or a poster.

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.