



WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Being Kind, Confident Minds,
Ready for Life Long Learning
Summer Term Issue 7
Friday 9 June 2023



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 14th June
Year 1—Visit to Paradise Wildlife Park

Monday 19th June
Mind Workshops—Nursery to Year 1

Thursday 22nd June
Nursery—Ark Farm Visit

Thursday 22nd June
Year 2—Visit to Whipsnade Zoo

Monday 26th June
Mind Workshops—Nursery to Year 1

Wednesday 12th July
School Sports Day (9.15am -11am)

Friday 14th July
Nursery Sports Day
Woodpeckers/Hedgehogs 10.30am
Rabbits—2.15pm

Year 2 Leavers Treat—Date TBC

Wednesday 12th July
Year 2 Leavers Assembly—2pm

Wednesday 19th July
Last day of term for Nursery

Thursday 20th July
Last day of Term for school (finish at 1.15pm)

New Gates

As you probably have noticed we now have new pedestrian/car park gates. If the gate is shut and you need to gain access please use the intercom system to come through.



Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 90%

Target for all children: 96%

1 hour and 39 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!



ORAL HEALTH FOR CHILDREN

WHAT IS TOOTH DECAY?

The hard outer surface of a tooth is broken down or damaged by bacteria and acid making holes in the teeth, called cavities. It can cause pain and infections, and cause problems with eating, speaking, playing, learning, smiling and socialising. Tooth decay occurs when foods and drinks with sugars and starches are left on the teeth.

- Tooth decay is the most common reason for hospital admission in children aged 6-10
- Children with poor oral health have an increased risk of damage to adult teeth



There were 26,000 hospital admissions for children needing dental extraction in 2014 - 2015 (study carried out every 10 years)

REDUCE THE RISK OF TOOTH DECAY

- Take your child to the dentist when their first milk teeth appear
- Brush teeth twice a day with fluoride toothpaste - no rinsing
- Support children under 7 with brushing
- Children should see a dentist yearly at least
- Children should have fluoride varnish at each visit (which is free)

WHERE TO ACCESS A DENTIST

Scan the QR code or search "Find a dentist" for the NHS website.



Dental care is free for children and young people aged 0-19 years old.

TOP TIPS

- Brush teeth in the morning and at bedtime for 2 minutes with fluoride toothpaste
- Use a pea-sized amount of toothpaste
- Spit out after brushing and don't rinse, otherwise the fluoride won't work as well
- Fizzy drinks, fruit juices and sugary snacks should be limited to mealtimes

HOW TO MAKE IT FUN

- Everyone can brush their teeth together - why not try a singing contest?
- Brushing to the beat - why not brush to your favourite song?
- Go electric?
- Use a timer - see who gets to two minutes without stopping



This Week's Learnersaurus Awards

Nursery	Hamsi (Hedgehogs)	Muzzamil (Rabbits)
Nursery	Ersi (Woodpeckers)	
Owls	Alex	Evelyn
Robins	Ehsan	Mikhael
Squirrels	Karol	Ahsan
Foxes	Nivin	Nicolas
Kingfishers	Samuel	Liyana
Otters	Sefer	Vidhaan

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Nursery

This week we introduced our new topic 'People Who Help Us' we have started to focus on how we keep healthy and have linked this with talking about Doctors, Paramedics, Nurses and how they help us. We have been using our new Doctors surgery role play and have been helping our toy teddies and dolls get better and keep healthy.



Reception

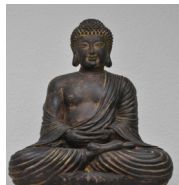
This week we really enjoyed our trip to Aldenham Country Park. We were all very excited to see the animals on the farm and were lucky enough to see some piglets feeding! We have enjoyed drawing maps of the farm and writing about our experiences.



Year 1

In English we looked at a Non fiction text about tigers. In Maths we practised sharing toys and cubes. We looked at sharing between 2 and 4, halves and quarters.

In RE we held a Buddha day and we looked at the Buddhist faith. In PSHE we looked at the life cycle of a frog and at the human life cycle. In D and T we started making our final moving picture. In History we thought about what happened to the dinosaurs and how they became extinct.



Year 2

In English, we have started our new unit of report writing. We learnt actions to our new class text and drew our own versions of a text map. In Maths, we have learnt more about the properties of 3D shapes and the vocabulary associated with it. In History, we experienced a day in the life of a Victorian child. We had to practise our handwriting and stand when adults entered the room!



WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

- Nursery** Next week we will be focusing on our teeth and talking about the job of the dentists and how they help and learn that it is important to brush our teeth twice a day.
- Reception** Next week we will be drawing story maps and writing sentences about the story Farmer Duck. We will also be continuing learning about doubling.
- Year 1** In English we will be looking at non fiction dinosaur reports. In Maths we will be looking at shapes and dividing them into halves and quarters, and looking at equal and unequal shapes. We will be going on our class school trip to Paradise Wildlife Park where we can see dinosaur models and lots of animals. In Geography we will be looking at naming the Continents of the world. In PSHE we will be beginning to look at how we change. We will be continuing to make our final models of our moving pictures.
- Year 2** **English:** We will be learning more about the features of a non-chronological report such as paragraphs and images.
Maths: We will be practising telling the time to nearest 5 minutes.
Topic: We will be learning about the human features in Jamaica and how they are similar/different to those found in England.

School Dinner Menu for week commencing 12th June

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian) Additional Veg	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	Caribbean Chicken	Organic Beef Bolognese	Roast Pork Loin with Gravy	Quorn Hot Dog (v)	Crispy Coated Salmon
GREEN	Veggie Burritos (ve)	Savoury Puff Roll (ve)	Quorn Fillet with Gravy	Special Fried Rice with Spring Roll (v)	Margherita Pizza (v)
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Jacket Potato with Beans
BLUE	Tuna Sandwich	Ham Roll	Chicken Mayo Wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Egg Baguette (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:

Regularly play the phonics game 'Mummy/Daddy Says'. Encourage your child to listen as you say the sounds (Fred talk) for the action words. Eg: Mummy says **h-o-p**, **h-o-p**, encourage your child to say it with you **h-o-p** and then say the whole word hop, complete the action together. Other word ideas could be Mummy says **r-u-n**, **n-a-p**, **j-o-g**, **s-i-ng**, **h-u-g**, **s-i-t**,

We hope you find this Parent Film helpful (set 1 letters) as it talks about how to say the letter sounds correctly when encouraging and saying the initial sounds heard at the beginning of words. .

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/WmKNGD6E/wFzLKKPv>

Reception:

Can you play a doubling game- roll a dice or select a random number of objects (from 1 to 5), can your child find the same amount and count the total to find the double?

Year 1:

Practice sharing at home. Can you share biscuits or lego ? Can you divide them into groups of two or four ? What numbers divide equally ? Can you record what you find out ?

Remember to take home some phonics sheets and go over your special friends and split diagraphs.

Year 2:

Using this link, can you challenge yourself to play Countdown? You could use a piece of paper to jot down your working out to help you.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Join us for Umbrellafest!

Sunday 11 June 2023, 1pm-6pm
Cassiobury Park, Watford



At Electric Umbrella we create amazing live, interactive music experiences with learning disabled people. And when our superstars take to the stage, they help change the way the world looks at our community - and others.

To celebrate our 10th Anniversary, for the first time in five years, Umbrellafest is back!

Come and join us for an afternoon of live music celebrating everything Electric Umbrella.

Admission is free, so please bring all your friends, and a picnic perhaps, to enjoy a summer afternoon in the park with our amazing members and musicians. Come for the whole afternoon, or drop in for a visit!

There will be something for everybody in a show including songs from our 3 albums and covers of crowd favourites. You're guaranteed to be singing and dancing along.

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*If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason you **must** inform*