#### WATFORD FIELD SCHOOL INFANT AND NURSERY



Being Kind, Confident Minds, Ready for Life Long Learning

#### **NEWSLETTER**

Spring Term Issue 4 Friday 31st January 2025



#### **School Dinner Menus on Arbor**

Thank you to those of you who have been selecting your child's lunch choice on the Arbor app. The menu will be updated every three weeks. Please ensure you are checking what you have ordered according to your child's dietary requirements.

#### **School times**

Please see the new 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.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

17th—21st February—Half Term
24th February—First day back
6th March—World book day
Thursday 3rd April—Last day of term for
Nursery

Friday 4th April—Last day of term for school, finish at 1.10pm

Whole School Attendance for this year so far: 91.8%

Target for all children: 96%

## 4 hours 42 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!

#### Safety Corner



Mrs Martino and the children who attend breakfast club are worried about their walk to the Field Junior School during the mornings. The children have witnessed parents driving their cars fast, dropping children in the middle of the road and reversing and hitting parked cars. Everyday the children have to wait to cross the road whilst cars pull up on the corners of the roads where they are trying to cross. Please can we remind you that there is no parking or dropping off zones on Neal Street. Please park further away and walk your child to school so that it is safer for all children. We do not want a child to get hurt!

Language of the month (February):

#### **Bengali**

Value of the month:

Resilience



#### This Week's Learnersaurus Awards



Nursery	Rishi	Rayaan			
Nursery	Leo				
Owls	Noor	Safa			
Robins	Megan	Kiyaan			
Squirrels	Lucas	Sacha			
Foxes	Elsa	Rebecca			
Kingfishers	Tanay	Lyla			
Otters	Matei	Mikhael			

#### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK

#### Nursery

We have enjoyed beginning to learn about the Lunar New Year celebrations and have made dancing dragons, lanterns and snakes. In our Role Play we have pretended to cook food and had a try at using chopsticks. We have continued our learning of Goldilocks and the Three Bears and have been encouraging the children to recall and sequence the events in the story.



#### Year 1

This week in English we innovated our story as a class and renamed it The Three Little Puppies. In maths, we explored subtraction with numbers within 20. In science, we explored bulbs and seeds and made predictions on what we think they will grow into. On Friday we learnt about Chinese New Year.



#### Reception

This week we found out about penguins and played penguin games. We collected penguin facts and did some penguin writing. We had fun making playdough penguins and black and white collages using a variety of textures. We also counted penguins and looked at 1 more and 1 less. We compared different quantities and saw which groups are larger and which are smaller. We also celebrated Chinese New Year.



#### Year 2

This week in English we innovated Jack and the Beanstalk. We changed the main character, villain and setting. In Maths, we have been working hard on learning the written method for subtraction. In Science we learnt about John Dunlop and how he used his knowledge of materials to create the rubber inflatable tyre. In RE we learnt about Lunar New Year and found out that this year is the year of the snake!



#### WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

#### Nursery

Next week we will be focusing our learning on the story called The Three Billy Goats Gruff. This will include identifying the characters, recalling what happens next in the story and joining in with key phrases like "Who's that trip trapping over my bridge".

**Reception** Next week we will continue to have opportunities to act out the Gingerbread man story. We will also be looking at the Arctic fox. We will be finding out facts about the Arctic fox. We will also be doing role play in the Frozen Castle. We will continue to look at different ways of representing numbers using Numicon, playing cards, cubes etc The children will be using their plans to write an innovated story about the Gingerbread man.

- English- We are going to be innovating our own versions of The Three Little Pigs Year 1 Maths— We will be learning about equality and balancing.
  - Topic- In science we are going to be planting carrot seeds
- English- We are going to be writing our own independent versions of Jack and the Year 2 Beanstalk.

Maths- We are going to be problem solving using addition and subtraction. Topic- In Geography we are going to use the Chromebooks to research the Arctic. We are then going to create maps using arts and crafts materials. In DT we will be beginning to learn about the different tools used in woodwork and how to use them safely.

#### School Dinner Menu for week commencing 03rd February

Ve (Vegan) V (Vegetarian)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RED	Veggie Sausages & Gravy (Ve)	Chicken Pasta Bake	Roast Pork with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger in a Bun	Fish Fillet Fingers
GREEN	Macaroni Cheese (V)	Homemade Vegan Sausage Roll and Gravy (Ve)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy (V)	Tomato Bolognese (Ve)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V)
PURPLE	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato
BLUE	Cheese Baguette (V)	Ham Roll	Cheese Spread 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:

Baby Bear loves to cuddle his favourite teddy bear. Do you have a favourite teddy bear? Draw, paint or collage a picture of your favourite teddy bear.

#### Reception:

Can you find out some Arctic Fox facts to share with the class. Can you draw an Arctic fox too?

#### Year 1:

In science, we have been exploring trees. Can you draw a tree and label the parts- you might want to write the name of the tree and whether it is deciduous or evergreen? You may even want to make a model tree to bring in!

#### Year 2:

This week in Science we learnt about John Dunlop; who invented the inflatable rubber tyre. Can you find out about an inventor? What did they invent? How did it change the world?

#### **School Contact Details**

Telephone Email (School Office) Email (Absence) 01923 227306 admin@fieldinfants.herts.sch.uk 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.

# Get the right help at the right time



## early help, brighter futures

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School attendance/anxiety

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