



Watton Junior School - Newsletter Friday 27th January 2023

This half term our Corvus Core Value is:

to actively contribute to the local and wider community

BAG 2 SCHOOL FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY BETWEEN 7.30am & 9AM ONLY

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second- hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection for our school. All the bags will be weighed and the school PTA will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to our school. You may use normal plastic bin bags.



When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling. We are collecting good quality items for **RE-USE**: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. *(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)* The more we weigh the more we pay!

Please bring any bags of your old donated clothes on: **TUESDAY 21st FEBRUARY BETWEEN 7.30am & 9AM ONLY**. We regret we cannot store bags brought too early or late. Thank you.

EDP Lego Tokens

We are collecting the Lego tokens from the Easter Daily Press. If we get at least 1000 vouchers we will get £50 of Lego! If you buy the EDP newspaper, please cut out the tokens and bring them to school. Thank you.

Potential Teacher Strike Days

Unfortunately, our school will be closed for the strike days and will only be open for 'vunlverable pupils' and children of critical workers. The potential strike dates that impact Norfolk schools are: • 1 February 2023 – National strike action • 1 March 2023 – Regional strike action • 15 March 2023 – National strike action • 16 March 2023 – National strike action. Please contact the office for more information.





Please remember to <u>name</u> <u>every item</u> of your child's uniform, including their water bottle, lunchbox and any bags so they can be returned easily if mislaid.

Also, if your child borrows any spare school clothes, <u>please</u> <u>wash and return them</u> as quickly as possible! Thank you.

We are looking for a parent governor to join our school. Parent governors play a vital role on governing bodies, holding the unique position of having a parental viewpoint of the school. If this is something you may be interested in, please contact the school and Mrs Kemp will be happy to discuss this role.

SMILE: We aspire to unlock the full potential of every pupil by Stimulating, Motivating, Inspiring Learning and Enjoyment in a safe environment

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Curriculum News

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In Years 3&4 we have started our new core story, The Pebble in my Pocket. We are discovering the journey that a pebble has been formed starting it's journey from an igneous rock formed by an erupting volcano. We have made predictions, drawn story maps and retold various parts. In maths, we have been learning to multiply and divide 2 and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit num-



bers. In topic, we have been learning about rocks, soil and fossils. We particularly enjoyed the experiment to find out how hard-wearing two different types of rocks were and how fossils were formed.

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Since returning in January, year 5&6 have started the core story 'Shakleton's Journey' by William Grill. It is the most inspirational story of an incredible man who through sheer determination led a crew to Antarctica and survived the most gruesome conditions to achieve the mission objective. It is a fantastic story which will springboard us into many fantastic learning opportunities. In English we have been using writing skills such as alliteration, metaphor, simile and personifica-

tion to create vocabulary and to produce our own poems inspired by Antarctica. In topic we have had two weeks of art where we learnt about printing and materials. We created relief and impression blocks before producing our own artwork inspired by the Nordic/Celtic design on the Shakleton book cover. Following the art topic, we have started looking at electricity in Art; the lack of which on Shakleton's exhibition will have been really challenging! We are excited that we will be staring a DT project where we look at cams and levers which means that we can make our own moving toys; boats that bob up and down on the Southern Ocean and Shakleton removing his top hat as he leaves to go on his exhibition. In math's we have come to the end of leaning about fractions. We have learnt to add, sub-tract, multiply and divide fractions by integers, unit-fractions and non-unit-fractions. we are

now about to start investigating percentages and decimals. In RE we have looked at how the Jewish, Christians and Muslims pray and why. In PE we have been enjoying gymnastics and dance. In Music we have been learning about themes and variations. We are looking forward to learning about internet safety and applying this to dbPrimary, our school interactive messaging and learning platform (if you do not have your child's login for this, please contact their teacher on DOJO or through the class email).



Diary Dates:

Friday 10th February—- Last day before school closes for half term break

Monday 20th February—School reopens for Spring Term 2

Tuesday 21st February— Bag2School collection at Watton and Westfield infant school.

Monday 27th February—Book Week

Friday 3rd March—Bug Busters

Monday 6th March—Parent Interview Week

Friday 17th March—Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Monday 20th March—Science Week

Friday 31st March—Last day before school closes for Easter break

Tuesday 18th April - School Reopens for Summer Term 1



Well done to Shakespeare class with the highest attendance this month. We hope the winter illness will soon improve which has had a big impact on attendance recently.

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School Uniform

| School Uniform: | |
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| Sweatshirt / Cardigan | Navy blue (logo can be ordered through Birds in Dereham) |
| Polo shirt | Light blue |
| Trouser/Skirt | Grey/ black |
| Socks | White, grey, black |
| Shoes | Black |
| No make up | |
| No hooded tops | |
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| PE Kit: | |
| T- shirt | House colour (logo can be ordered through Birds in Dereham) |
| Shorts | Navy/ Black (must be worn for gymnastics) |
| Tracksuit/jogging bottoms | Navy/ black |
| Trainers | Any colour (no plimsolls) |
| No Jewellery | |
| Hair up | |
| No hooded tops | |

Young Carers:

Our Young Carers have learnt all about the Chinese New Year and made some beautiful pictures of a rabbit for it. They have also spent some time being creative and making bird feeders.



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