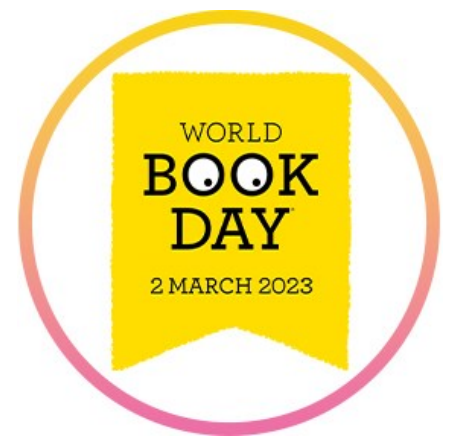
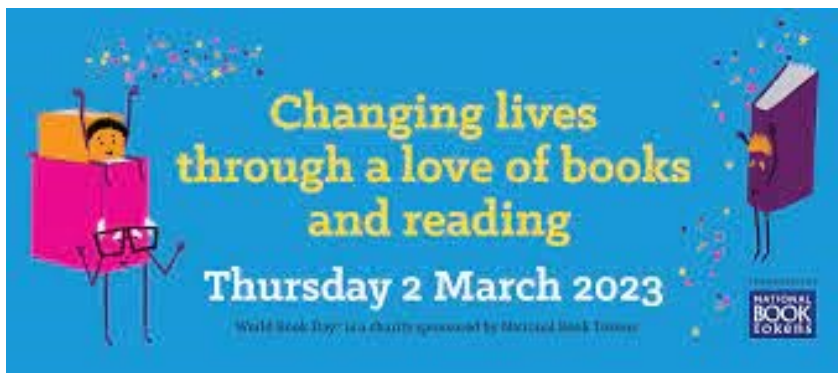




Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery School - Newsletter Friday 24th February 2023

***This half term our Corvus Core Value is:  
to express creativity***



### Book Week

Next week is Book Week across the whole school! We are excited to spend the week encouraging a love of books and reading with the children. We will be focussing on the stories of Roald Dahl, but we also encourage children to explore and enjoy any stories and authors they wish.

On Wednesday 1st March, KS1 will have a visit from James Campbell, aka the Hilarious Author! He will share some of his fabulous stories with the children and inspire them to write for themselves. If the children would like to buy a signed copy of his book, James will stay after school to sell them at home time.

There is a potential teacher strike day on March 1st but we hope that we will not have to close and the visit will continue as planned.

**Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day and all the children can come to school dressed as a character from a favourite book.** This may be one of the Roald Dahl characters or could be from any other book your child enjoys. We are aware of the cost of living crisis and how it affects many of our families. Please do not feel you have to buy elaborate costumes. Simple adaptations to normal clothes or a few handmade accessories can be amazing! We can't wait to see who the children are inspired by!



**Well done to Koalas class with the highest attendance in February.**



**Please keep the school layby clear**

Over the next 12 weeks, the children at the junior school will be going swimming and their coach will need to use the layby on West Road from 8.50am each Friday. Please make sure you do not obstruct the layby when bringing your children to school.

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

## Curriculum News

We have had a fantastic February learning about a whole variety of different things across the school...

### Early Years



This month Hedgehog Nursery children will be starting our core story Beautiful Bananas. We will try new fruits from the story, identify and name jungle animals and in maths learn prepositions 'on' and 'in'.

In Monkey Nursery we have finished learning about our core-story 'The Train Ride' and we are now getting ready to start our new core-story 'Handa's Surprise', where we will be learning about Africa and some of the animals that live there. In Maths we have been learning all about the numbers 1 to 5 and practicing counting different amounts and recognising the numerals. We have also been doing lots of fine motor practice, playing with lots of different resources to strengthen the children's fingers and control in preparation for writing.

Reception have finished our work on the Arctic and we really enjoyed sharing this with parents in our open cafe last half term. We have a busy half term coming up and will be focussing on a book linked to Africa. We will also be finding out about Pancake day, Easter, World Book Day and having a Science week too!

### Key Stage 1

This month In English, we have been thinking about rhyming words and reading different poems to identify these. We have also made our own class poem that we are going to perform for the rest of the school next Friday.

In Maths, we have started our topic on length and height. Year 1 have been measuring objects using multilink cubes, while Year 2 have been measuring objects with a ruler in centimetres.

In History, we have been comparing how Watton looked in the past compared to now and we are planning to walk into town later this term to find out more.

In Music, we have been using percussive instruments to create music inspired by different animals.



## Diary Dates:

Monday 27th February—Book Week

Wednesday 1st March— Hilarious Author Visit for KS1 & Reception Height, Weight, Hearing & Vision Checks

Thursday 2nd March—World Book Day & Reception Height, Weight, Hearing & Vision Checks continued

Friday 3rd March—Bug Busters

Monday 6th March—Parent Interview Week

Wednesday 8th March—Kings Coronation Fundraising Project Art Work being sent home

Wednesday 15th March—Deadline for orders for King's Coronation Art Work

Friday 17th March—Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Monday 20th March—Science Week

Friday 24th March—RSPCA visit day

Thursday 30th March—Reception Open Classroom Café for parents at 2.30pm

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

Tuesday 18th April - School Reopens for Summer Term 1

## House points so far this year!

Beta (blue) = 5908

Delta (red) = 6265

Gamma (green) = **6756\***

Epsilon (yellow) = 6161



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