



Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery School - Newsletter Friday 20th October 2023

***This half term our Core Value is: To develop their communication skills effectively.***

### Hedgehogs

In Hedgehogs we have continued our theme of "all about me" talking about who lives in our house and building houses using bricks. We will finish the half term by reading the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

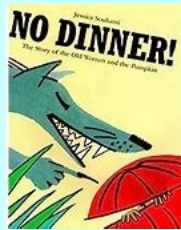


### Monkeys



In Monkeys the children have loved learning about the story 'The Three Little Pigs'. Over the last few weeks, we have been: acting out the story using props and musical instruments, making houses using different resources and been experimenting with huffing and puffing things to blow down. In Phonics we have been developing our listening skills and exploring the different sounds we can hear. For our last week of this half term, we have been learning all about Autumn and exploring the changes we can see happening.

### Reception



In Reception we have been thinking about Autumn and have set up Autumn tables in the classroom for the children to explore. We have worked hard in our Phonics lessons and the children are trying hard to sound out and blend words. We are even trying to write some too! In Math's we have been continuing our work on numbers 1 to 5 and ensuring we understand the relationships between these numbers eg 3 is one more than 2.

### KS1

This half term KS1 have been reading the book Rapunzel by Bethan Woollvin. We have created our own stories based on the book and thought of different ways to defeat the evil witch. This week we are looking at poetry and have created our own potions to defeat the witch.

In Math's Year 1 have been looking at number lines and comparing numbers.

Year 2 have moved on to addition and subtraction and have been using 10 frames and part-whole models.

For topic we have been doing Art and computing. In Art we looked at the artist Orla Kiely and made some artwork using natural resources to print patterns. In computing we have learnt the key vocabulary for computers and laptops. We used word and typed our names and then changed the font and size. Finally we created a poster on the iPad or laptop.



### Diary Dates

30.10.23—School Reopens

13.10.23—Individual School Photos

13/14/15.23—Book Fayre at Watton Junior School

16.11.23—Flu vaccinations

17.11.23—Children in Need

04.12.23—Christmas Performance Week

13.12.23—Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day

15.12.23—PJ Day

19.12.23—Class Parties / Father Christmas visit

20.12.23—Last Day of Term

04.01.24—School Reopens

### STAFFING NEWS

Thank you to Mrs Baker as she leaves Meerkat Class. We welcome back Mrs Williams following her maternity after half term.



We hope you all have a happy and restful half term and we look forward to seeing you on 30th October!

**SMILE:** We aspire to unlock the full potential of every pupil in a Safe, Meaningful, Inclusive Learning Environment



Children in Need— 17th November 2023.

‘SPOTACULAR’

Non-uniform—wear lots of spots.

Please see Dojo for links on how to donate to fundraiser.

Please do not bring dogs on site.  
Please do not smoke or vape on site or by the gates



**\*REMINDER\***

Now the weather is turning colder, please ensure that children are bringing in coats. Please name all coats.



Over the course of this week, all the children have been learning how to keep safe. They have covered areas such as fireworks, road safety, be safe be seen, car seats, stranger danger, online safety, NSPCC pants, and other various areas of safety.



We are looking for volunteers to come in and read with our children on a regular basis. If you can feel you can help then please ring the office for a chat.



Thank you to everyone who has ordered the Rudolf Cards. They are now ordered and will be here before we break up for Christmas so please wait patiently.



This months highest attendance winners are:-

Parrots—96.39%



Hello, my name is Mrs Stratton, I am a Forest Schools Instructor, and in reward week we have had an exciting afternoon making a shelter and seating area. We have decorated pumpkins with their chosen designs. Creating and climbing on spooky spider webs, and climbing trees. We learned how to make a fire, be safe and melt chocolate and dipping our yummy apple slices in and decorating with their chosen toppings. Finally, finding hidden treasure with our friends and winning various prizes!

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