



## Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery School Newsletter—July 2024

***This half term our Core Value is:***

***To develop their confidence as independent learners.***

### CLASS NEWS

#### Nurseries

In Hedgehog Nursery in July the children really enjoyed taking part in outdoor learning week. We also spent a week exploring people who help us in the community. The children have also visited their new class, spending time getting to know their new teachers.

In Monkeys this month we have been learning about People Who Help Us, such as dentists, the police, doctors and the fire-service. As part of our learning, we had an exciting visit from Mr Poole in his ambulance where the children got the chance to explore the different equipment paramedics use in an emergency. In Phonics the children have been learning to sound out and blend words orally and have done a brilliant job with this first step when learning how to read. In Maths the children have been securing their understanding of the numbers 1-5 and working out what comes before and after these numbers and solving number problems.

#### Reception

In Reception we have continued with our topic learning all about Dinosaurs and naming different types of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. We have continued to learn lots of basic 4 blends and applying this to our reading and writing. In Maths we have started looking at patterns in numbers, learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's. The children had lots of fun during outdoor learning week doing exciting activities such as orienteering, map making, going on a treasure hunt in the forest and much more. We have started thinking about moving up to Year One and the children are excited for their next adventure.

#### KS1

In KS1 we have continued with our learning on Bewilderwood. We have written our own story books about a character we created and an adventure we wanted them to go on. In art we have learnt different sketching techniques and used these to help us draw and design our Bewilderwood character in the theme of the sketches in the book. In science we have planted seeds and bulbs and compared the growth in a cold or hot place. We have also learnt about different groups of animals and their offspring. Year 2 have been practicing hard to learn their lines and the songs for the leavers play and are so excited to perform this!



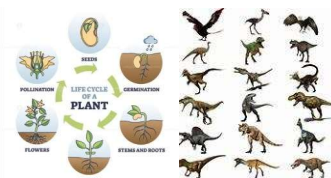
**Please note dates may be subject to change.**  
**See Class Dojo for updates. Thank you.**

19.7.24 – School closes for summer holiday.

4.9.24—School reopens (menu change, please check dojo)

24.10.24—School closes for half term

4.11.24—School reopens



What a wonderful year we have had! Thank you to everyone who has helped us; parents, carers, staff, pupils, governors, volunteers and visitors. You're all amazing! The children have worked really hard and made good progress. We are sad to see our Year 2 children leave but we have loved watching them grow and we know they are ready for their next adventure at junior school. We hope you all have a well deserved lovely summer break. We look forward to seeing our new and returning children when we reopen on Wednesday 4th September.

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## Staffing News.

**As the academic year comes to a close we have some members of staff leaving:**

Mr Collier, our caretaker, is retiring this year. We would like to thank him for his dedication over the past 4 years and wish him a happy retirement.

**We have a new staff member joining us:**

Mr Childs has joined our team and is our new site manager.

**Welcome to the team!**

Miss Raine has also come back from maternity leave. She is joining the Watton Junior School team, leading the C&L SRB. However she is remaining as our assistant SENDCO.

Well done to all the children that took part in the Watton Carnival. You all looked amazing!

# STAFF CHANGES



## Forest School—Gold Award Session.

When a child reaches gold within school they get their name put into a pot and each half term children are chosen to have a forest school session. The children then decide together what they would like to do within the session. You can see from the pictures how much fun they have.



## Uniform.

Birds of Dereham supply our branded uniform. Please visit their website for more details.  
[www.birdsofdereham.com](http://www.birdsofdereham.com)

We are also happy for children to wear non branded school uniform as long as it is in the correct colours.



Please be aware that the Pupil Asset parent app is not working anymore. Please use the online website to make any payments:  
<https://secure.pupilasset.com/>

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Family Fun Night, including the staff who worked hard behind the scenes to organize it and those who stayed late on the Friday to help. We made a profit of just over **£1600** which will help subsidize the cost of school trips for another year making them more accessible to all children!



This years highest attendance winners are:-

**Parrots**

## **HOUSE POINTS**

The winners this YEAR with the most house points are...

**1st—Gamma—15,398**

**2nd—Delta—14,961**

**3rd—Epsilon—14,852**

**4th—Beta—14,602**



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

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