



Watton Junior School Newsletter—June 2024

This half term our Core Value is: To develop their confidence as independent learners.

CLASS NEWS

LKS2

As we enter the final term, we have been very busy in year 3 and 4. In English, we have been reading our new core story 'The Bluest of Blues'.

For Maths, Year 3 have been looking at fractions, capacity, and mass. Year 4 have been looking at shapes, as well as length and perimeter.

In Science, we are studying animals, their habitats and food chains. In our topic lessons, we have been doing art. We have finished off our Mixed Media project by creating an island using a mixture of art materials.

In Computers, we have continued our programming module where we have been using Scratch to complete our own games. In PE we have been practicing tennis skills and rounders skills. In our music lessons, we have been practicing for our summer show to the parents where we will be performing a mixture of singing songs and playing the ukulele.

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June has been an incredible month for Years 5 and 6. After a few years' absence, our Sports Day was able to return. The children loved the carousel of activities in the morning, including javelin, speed stacks and standing triple jump.

During this month, the children conducted fieldwork at the River Nar. Despite changing weather, the children loved getting wet whilst measuring the depth and speed of the river, whilst observing the river during a lovely walk along the riverbanks.

Years 5 and 6 have finished their recent core story on the Suffragettes by writing a biography. We have now moved onto our final core story of the year, Varmints, for which the children will be writing and drawing their own picture books.



We ended the month with the awe-inspiring End of Year Production. The children worked amazingly hard to memorize the lines for both the songs and the speaking parts. They put in a lot of practice, and it was an honor to watch them performing three times (once to Years 3 and 4 and twice to the parents). The children should be very proud of themselves!

KELLER SRB

In the SRB this half term, we have been busy reading our new core story in English: The Rhythm of the Rain. It has a message about saving water and understanding how important water is to all of us.

We have been concentrating on friendships and emotions in our daily toast time sessions and improving our conversation skills in our speech and language sessions.

In PE, we have been improving our throwing and catching skills in order to play team games like Rounders and Cricket. And in music, we have made our own rain makers to use as percussion instruments.

We are all looking forward to a break over the summer after a busy half term and look forward to seeing everyone back in September.



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

1.7.24—Outdoor learning week

4.7.24—Outdoor learning picnic

5.7.24—Family Fun Night 3.30pm—5pm

8.7.24—Transition Day 1 for Y2/3/4/5

9.7.24—Transition Day 2 for Y2/3/4/5

10.7.24—Transition Day 3 for Y2/3/4/5

11.7.24—Leavers picnic

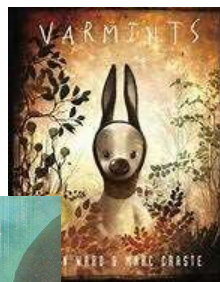
11.7.24—Leavers Silent Disco

15.7.24—Y6 Transition Day 1 to High School

16.7.24—Y6 Transition Day 2 to High School

17.7.24—Y6 Transition Day 3 to High School

18.7.24—Y6 Transition Day to High School



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



At the beginning of June, the children had a special visit from the Bishop of Norwich. He called into Watton Junior School whilst visiting Watton as part of a pilgrimage. The children were all very interested to listen to the Bishop speak about his pilgrimage and asked some really thoughtful questions.

Astronomy Club were very lucky to have two special guests come in this term! Incredible astro-photographer Matt Well (aka. PhotographyMasa) wowed us all with his spectacular photographs of nebula taken from Watton. The children have enjoyed learning so much about space, from discovering the planets of our solar system and beyond, to identifying the stages in the life cycle of a star. Our final session then saw Dan and Keith from the Breckland Astronomical Society bring in some extraordinary telescopes for the children to look through. The Society host an incredible 20" telescope in Great Ellingham and their next open evening is on Friday 23rd August 2024 from 8:30 pm; more details can be found on their website

<http://www.brecklandastro.org.uk/>



## OUTDOOR LEARNING WEEK.

1st July—5th July.

All children to come in PE kit for this week for outdoor activities.



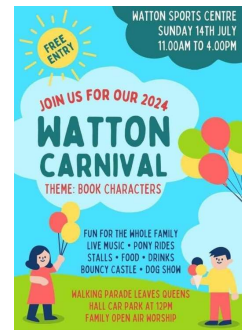
This months highest attendance winners are:-

Austen—97.45%



## Together DENTAL

Children's Week at Together Dental Watton running from 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> August where we will be offering discounted exam appointments for children and they will receive a free activities bag.



**We would love you to join in the parade and represent our school!**

Meet at Queens Hall at 11.30am with your adult to join in the parade. It would be great to see you all there in costume!



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

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Please be aware that the pupil asset parent app is not working anymore. Please use the online website to make any payments.

Year 3/4 will be walking to our local church during outdoor learning week. If you do not wish for child to participate please let their Class Teacher know.

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