



Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery School & Watton Junior School

Newsletter Friday 20th December 2024

This term our British Value is Democracy

CLASS NEWS

Nursery: In Squirrel and Hedgehog nursery this half term we have been exploring Autumn, colour and celebrations. The final weeks of this half term we explored all things Christmas ready for our singing performance to our parents. Next half term we will be exploring all things Polar.

Reception: In Reception we have introduced Space, looked at the planets in the solar system and linked this to the vehicle text, Star in a jar. We have been drawing and planning our own version of this using our phonics and story telling skills. In math's we have been exploring the composition of numbers within 5, and we have been comparing sets of objects using more than, fewer than and equal. In phonics we have been recapping all the basic 2 sounds and tricky words. We have spent some time learning about the Christmas story, learning songs and performing our nativity to a range of audiences.

The Hive: The Hive have been really busy learning how to sing and sign Twinkle Twinkle Little star. We have been revising all the basic 2 sounds we have learnt so far, we have learnt lots! We have also been enjoying some new garden toys that have been kindly donated to us. This week has been especially busy making decorations for our Christmas tree.

Year 1: In year 1 we have been getting excited for Christmas and were working hard to perfect our performance of The Twinkly Nativity. In math's we have been learning about fact families and addition and subtraction number sentences.

Year 2: In year 2 we have been consolidating our addition and subtraction skills, practicing for our performance and using expanded noun phrases in a diary entry and setting narrative.

Year 3 & 4: In year 3 we have been looking at the story Fox and have been writing narratives. We will finish the unit with writing an information report. In year 4 we have been looking at the book Leaf, we have also written narratives and will write information reports. In Maths, year 3 and 4 have been looking at multiplication and division, including 2,4,5,8 and 10 times tables. After Christmas year 3 will study The Rhythm of the Rain and year 4 will be studying Arthur and the Golden Rope. In Maths, length and perimeter will be studied.

Years 5 & 6: In Year 5, we have started our new vehicle text called FARThER. We have discussed and used lots of the illustrations for our writing. We also wrote a setting description for our extended piece of writing. In maths, we have been learning about fractions including finding equivalent fractions and looking at how to add fractions with different denominators. We have enjoyed learning about the Vikings and their invasion in our history unit and we have just started a new art topic about sketching.

In Year 6 we have been using our model text, A Story Like The Wind, in English lessons as inspiration to write a flashback narrative and a newspaper report. In math's, we have developed our understanding of fractions this half-term and recapped our understanding of position and direction using co-ordinates. In art, we have enjoyed developing our sketching techniques and exploring artwork by Picasso to inspire our own work. We also enjoyed our music unit where we have been focusing on our singing of festive and seasonal songs as well as learning to play some of them using instruments. We have gained a lot of knowledge about Vikings in our history unit and in P.E. lessons, we have been developing skills and strategies for team sports.

Diary Dates

Friday 20th December— Y3/4 Performance AM

Friday 20th December—School breaks up for Christmas

Tuesday 7th January—School reopens

Wednesday 29th January—Chinese New Year Meal

Wednesday 12th February—Watton Juniors—Spring Disco

Thursday 13th February—Watton Westfield—Valentines Disco

Friday 14th February—School closes for half term

Monday 24th February—School reopens

Thursday 27th February—Watton Westfield—Class Photos

Thursday 27th February—Y5 swimming starts (weekly)

Friday 28th February—Watton Juniors—Class Photos

Thursday 6th March—World Book Day

Friday 14th March—Mid Year Reports out to parents

[PLEASE CHECK DOJO FOR UPDATES](#)

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



Well done to the Forces Families from Watton Junior School who represented the school on Remembrance Day. They all did so well.



Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need. Over both schools we managed to raise....

£399.53



Thank you to everyone who donated to The Poppy Appeal. Over both schools we managed to raise....

£287.03

**Friends of
Watton Westfield
and
Watton Junior
Schools**

Charity No: 1054992

Thank you to everyone who has purchased raffle tickets, children's baubles, donated at performances, and the chocolate tombola. Over both schools we managed to raise....

£1090.60

With this money we have been able to provide each class with a special Christmas present, crackers for the Christmas dinner and more.

Children enjoyed their Forest School Reward afternoon.



TESCO

Thank you to Tesco Watton for donating school uniform to Watton Westfield. This was so generous and will help out our families.



Studybugs

If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

Get the app or register now (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)

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Well done to the following classes for the highest attendance this term.

WW— Otters Class 96.5%

WJS— Dyson Class 96.18%

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FAMILIES OF WATTON!
JOIN US FOR A FREE
CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR!

LOUISE ELDER
AND SPECIAL GUEST
CHARLIE FRANCES WILSON
(OF DOWN MELODY LANE)

ALL OF YOUR FAVOURITE XMAS SONGS
XMAS TREATS AND DRINKS PROVIDED
A FREE GIFT FOR 100 CHILDREN

COME IN YOUR BEST FANCY DRESS!
Massive thanks to all contributors
LOVE WATTON, TESCO, SPARTEK, RAE OF LIGHT,
DOWN MELODY LANE, WILL O'DONNELL & KAISY.

DECEMBER 22ND
2PM-4PM
QUEENS HALL, WATTON

LOUISE ELDER VOCALIST

Christmas Balloon Race
£3 a balloon!

Design your balloon and join the fun...
Win prizes, raise money and get in the festive spirit!

Track your balloon, launches 12pm
25th December

Ormiston Families
Brighter futures

WATTON FOOD HUB
WATTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, HARVEY STREET
We aim to bridge the gap and help everyone a few steps
to access healthy & nutritious food!

OPENING TIMES:
Tuesday: 12:30 - 14:30
Wednesday: 16:30 - 18:30
(Only the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month)
Thursday: 9:30 - 12:00

Whatever you're facing
We're here to listen

SAMARITANS
Call free day or night on
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As we come to the end of the year, we reflect on the past. Its been a lovely year sharing moments with all the children. Its such a delight to see all the children enjoying the events running up to Christmas.

However you celebrate Christmas we hope you enjoy spending time with your loved ones.



WJS STAFFING NEWS

We say goodbye to Mr. Hill, we wish him well in the future.

We welcome to our team.

Congratulations to Mrs. Spencer and her husband Rob who gave birth a beautiful baby boy.



WW STAFFING NEWS

Congratulations to Miss Culver on her promotion to HLTA working in The Hive.

We welcome Miss Patrick to The Hive team, she will be a TA within the team and a MSA.

While your children are waiting, please ensure they are behaving safely and considerately to others. Please do not allow them to climb or swing from the gates, fences and trees as this may cause injury and/or damage to property.

Whilst on site or waiting around the school areas please can you be mindful of language that is being used. Please refrain from swearing especially in front of children.



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