



Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery School - Newsletter Friday 24th October 2025

A message from Mrs Mather, Head of School

We are so proud of how well all the children have settled into their new classes this term! Everyone has been working hard, trying their best, and showing such lovely kindness to one another. It has been wonderful to see so many happy faces, new friendships and great learning taking place. Well done, everyone- what a fantastic start to the year! We can't wait to keep learning and having fun together next half term.

A message from Mr Ambrose, Executive Headteacher

I would like to thank you all for such a warm welcome to the schools this term. It has been a busy but enjoyable and exciting first 8 weeks for me, and I have enjoyed learning lots about the children, trying my best to remember as many names as possible, and working with staff to further the great work already underway in our two schools.

As part of our focus on the future of our schools, I would be grateful if you could spare 2 minutes over the half term break to complete this brief online questionnaire - <https://forms.office.com/e/B0V7BPzRMO> - to share your thoughts on our new school values (particularly for those of you who were unable to engage with this in person during parents' evenings).

Many thanks for your engagement and for the continued support of your schools.



School closes today for the Autumn half term break and we reopen on Monday 3rd November.

We hope you all have a safe, fun and restful break.

Now the nights are drawing in and it is getting dark earlier, please pay extra care with road safety and if you go to a fireworks display or Trick or Treating for Halloween.

Please supervise young children at all times.



Diary Dates

Friday 24th October—School breaks up for half term

Monday 3rd November—School reopens for Autumn term 2 / Flu Vaccinations for Reception, Yr1 & Yr2

Wednesday 5th November—Bonfire Lunch

Friday 14th November—Spots and/or Stripes Non Uniform Day for BBC Children in Need

Monday 24th November—'Flu Vaccinations mop up session

Thursday 27th November—Beauty & the Beast Pantomime

Tuesday 2nd December—Reception Christmas Performance (morning show)

Wednesday 3rd December—Reception Christmas Performance (afternoon show)

Wednesday 10th December—Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch / Yr1 Christmas Performance (morning show) / Nursery Christmas Performance (afternoon show)

Thursday 11th December—Yr1 Christmas Performance (afternoon show)

Friday 12th December—Pyjama Day (bring a chocolate donation)

Tuesday 16th December—Yr2 Christmas Performance (morning show)

Wednesday 17th December—Yr2 Christmas Performance (afternoon show)

Friday 19th December - Candelit Carol Assembly / Class Parties / Chocolate Tombola after school / School breaks up for Christmas

Tuesday 6th January—School reopens / Reception children height & weight measurement programme

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New Menu

When we return after half term, we will have a new Autumn/Winter menu from our school caterers Edwards & Blake. Please take a look on our school website for this. We start back on week 3.

If your child has a medically adapted menu you will receive a personalised copy.

On the 5th November we will also be having a special Bonfire Night lunch!



Children in Need

We will be supporting BBC Children in Need on Friday 14th November with a Spots and/or Stripes themed non-uniform day.

Donations can be made in cash on the day or online via our Just Giving page:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/wwwandwjsnonuniformdayforchildren-inneed?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Thank you for your support!



This half term's class with top attendance is **Kingfishers!**



Well done to every child and their family who has improved their attendance and/or punctuality this year.

Being at school on time and ready to learn every day makes a huge difference to children's attainment and progress.

Thank you for your support!



'Flu Vaccines

If you have not yet given or withheld consent for your child to have their 'flu vaccine, please go to <https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/norfolk>

For questions, contact the immunisation team on 01603 576320 or email: Norfolk@v-uk.co.uk



We are collecting the tokens in the Eastern Daily Press for free art supplies for schools until 6th December

Thank you so much to everyone for your kind donations towards our recent fundraisers! Together we have raised:

Macmillan Cancer Support Bake Sale: £235

Westfield Autumn Disco: £225

Rudolph Cards Christmas Designs: £453

The money from the disco and Rudolph Cards will go into the PTA fund for rewards and experiences for our children.



HOUSE POINTS

The winners this half term with the most house points are...

Delta (red): 1864

Epsilon (yellow) : 1836

Beta (blue) : 1631

Gamma (green) : 1500

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Curriculum News

Here is a round up of this half term and the fun and learning we have enjoyed:

This half term in Hedgehog Nursery we have been settling into our new class, making friends and exploring our topic of All About Me. After half term we will learning all about colours and celebrations.



The children in Squirrel Nursery have done well settling in and making new friends. We have enjoyed learning about ourselves, our emotions and talking about who is in our families. We have also done activities linked to Autumn and enjoyed making clay hedgehogs. In Maths we have learnt about different colours, matching/sorting objects and in phonics we have learnt about environmental and instrumental sounds. Next term the key focus will be linked to celebrations, including fireworks, Children in Need and Christmas. In Phonics we will learn about body percussion, voice and instrumental sounds. In Maths we will learn about subitising, introducing 1, introducing 2 and learning about patterns.

In Reception we have been beginning our reading journey by learning the first sets of sounds. We have been practising oral blending to help us hear and read words. In Maths we have been learning to 'subitise using our fast eyes', which means recognising a quantity without counting. We have also been learning to retell a story about a boy called Dan who loses a ball down a hole. We have been using the balance bikes and have been learning how to move in space in PE.



Year 1 have had a busy and exciting time in class! In Maths, we've been learning to order numbers from 0–10 and exploring the concepts of more than, less than, and equal to. In English, we've been reading *Old Bear* and writing our own versions by focusing on the opening, build-up, problem, and ending. In PE, the children have been developing their throwing and catching skills. Our History lessons have focused on comparing toys from the past with those we play with today. In Art, we've been creating shapes using different media, including paint, wax crayons, and pencils. Well done, Year 1!

In Year 2, we have been learning about writing a twisted tale, an alternative version to a traditional tale of Jack and the Beanstalk. We have also been learning how to write a persuasive letter. In Maths, we have been learning about place value, understanding how many tens and ones are in a number and making these numbers using different resources. We have also been learning about the value of each coin and how to add coins and notes together. In P.E, we have been learning different ball skills and in Science, we have been learning about what different animals need for survival. We designed a poster on how to keep our teeth healthy and we designed a healthy lunchbox.



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