



# Newsletter

## FIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL



11.10.2024

On Tuesday, the children had a visit from The 2 Johns. They were talking about the dangers children face online. They discussed with children what they could do if they felt something they saw or heard was not appropriate or they did not feel comfortable with it. On Wednesday, parents/carers joined us in the webinar, which was an interesting insight into the online world of our children and the influence it has on them. We hope all, who were able to watch it, found it interesting. We have shared the link for the webinar if you would like to watch or share it with other family members, who would benefit from the experience shared by The 2 Johns. October is Black History Month and we will start our learning with an assembly on Friday.

Riddle: Everyone has one, but no one can lose it. What is it?\*

See if you can guess and find the answer in the newsletter.



### MORNING ARRIVAL

#### School starts at 8.50am

Please make sure your child arrives at school before this time.

Late arrivals must sign in at reception.

If your child is absent, please leave a voice message on the answer phone on **each day of the absence before 9am.**

### WEATHER

Please ensure your child is coming to school with an appropriate jacket or coat as we will get the children out for fresh air where there are breaks in the weather and it is possible. If you can't get a winter coat, please do come in and have a chat or grab Miss Brooks, Mrs Connell or Mrs Thomas on the playground.

### HEALTH & SAFETY:

Please remember to drive carefully and park safely when dropping and collecting your children. Do not park or stop on the yellow zig zags. The school car park is **only** to be used by families who have asked for specific requirements.

### SAFEGUARDING:

If you are concerned about the safety of any child, we have a Designated Safeguarding Lead- Mrs Connell – please make contact through the school office or please ring Children's Services on 0300 123 4043.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:



#### Year 6 Victorian Day in the Annexe

Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 – cost per child £12.50 please pay on Arbor. Children to wear Victorian costumes; remember that Victorian children wore school uniform too so please do not spend lots of money on buying something special! **11 days to the event, please give permission and pay on Arbor.** Reminder email sent 04.10.2024.



#### Year 6 Height & Weight NHS visit

Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 – email sent on 11.09.2024.



#### Year 5 Hazard Alley Safety Centre

Thursday, 14.11.2024 – cost per child £15.50 please pay on Arbor. Please use the following link: <https://forms.office.com/e/h2tALwDWTY> to let us know your child's choice for the packed lunch option, whether it is home packed lunch or cold option from school. Email sent 03.10.2024.



#### ESSENTIAL SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR ALL – The 2 Johns

If you didn't have a chance to join the webinar, here is a link to the recording that will be live until the end of October.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/Ju0CLpV4NSrCBRT-NEItg4ZTBwf1Pz9MKEfsEz3cvl6LpZs4OLNsKyr27nsEhJaI.CVVSgMeuwdDZr16m>

## SECONDARY TRANSFER 2025

### What happens when?

2 September 2024	Online application system opens.
September and October	Secondary and upper schools hold their open events (Details available at <a href="http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/schoolsdirectory">www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/schoolsdirectory</a> )
<b>31 October 2024</b>	<b>Deadline for applications</b>
2 December 2024	Last date to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>submit reasons for making a late application and for that application to be considered 'on time'</li> <li>notify us of a change of address and for that address to be taken into account for allocation day</li> </ul> <b>Please refer to the online admission pages for more detail about these processes.</b>
30 January 2025	Last date to make a late application to be considered for allocation day.
<b>3 March 2025</b>	<b>Allocation Day.</b> School places are offered.

Apply online at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admission](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admission)

Email sent on 05.09.2024 with all the details and information leaflets.



### P.E days

**Year 3** Wednesdays & Thursdays

**Year 4** Tuesdays & Wednesdays

**Year 5** Tuesdays P.E & Thursdays swimming - £3 per session. Many thanks to all parents/carers, who have already paid.

**Year 6** Mondays & Fridays

### UNIFORM

We have 4 girls' white polo shirts, size 13 years, donated. If you need them, please collect from the school office.



### SCHOOL DINNERS

School menu w/c 14.10.2024 is **week 1**.

Please make sure your child's dinner account is always in credit. Dinners **must be paid in advance** by at least one week. Parents/carers are asked to keep track of their payments. Please do not wait for reminders from the office.

#### Payment methods:

**Arbor** – please log on to your Arbor account.

**Cash** – send in cash in a clearly marked envelope (child's full name, class, amount, 'school dinners'). **Card** – to pay by card, please phone the school office.

The cost of a school dinner is **£3.35** per meal (**£16.75** per 5-day school week).

\*Shadow



## The winners of the European Day of Languages Competition are:

**Samuel 3M & Faheem 3W**

**Ed 4C & Vidhaan 4H**

**Maya 5T & Omar 5W**

**Aminah 6O'B & Aayushi 6K**

#### Runners up:

**Hiran 5T, Paul 5W, Teadora 5T**

***Congratulations! The winners and runners up works will be uploaded on the European Day of Languages website.***



Good attendance is vital for all children to support their learning and social development. Following government guidance, we have a duty to inform parents/carers if their child has had several absences from school. If your child's absence is 10% or more, so that attendance is below 90%, they are classed as persistent absentee, and you are at risk of a breach notice and a fixed penalty notice.

This week's attendance award winners are:

**4H - 98.1%**

**6O'B, 4C, 3W, 3M - 97.4%**

**5T - 96.4%**



## The winners are:

6K just beat 6O - not much in it so work harder 6O

5W are once again the winners - I know you can do better 5T

4C are also winners again - come on 4H

3W are the winners this week

Year 3 beat year 4 ... Well done

Year 6 beat year 5

Badgers are this week's winners.

More tournaments have been set up so please encourage your children to play for their team.



### Birthdays next week:

*Charlie yr6, Katie yr6, Allos yr4, Philos yr4,  
Yashal yr4, Charlotte yr3, Jayden S. yr 6,  
Zaakir yr 6*

*We wish you joy, happiness and lots of  
cake!*

## HERTS INCLUSIVE THEATRE



Watford Children's Theatre group, for ages 5-12, running at The Pump House. Happening every Monday evening, 4:45pm-6pm, during term time, this group is a great place for children to make friends, develop their theatre skills and feel welcomed and accepted, no matter their additional needs. Children are welcome to come for a free taster to see if it is something they will enjoy.

[Watford Children's Theatre 5-12 | Pebble \(bookpebble.co.uk\)](http://Watford Children's Theatre 5-12 | Pebble (bookpebble.co.uk))

## HALF TERM ACTIVITY CAMP

**SUPER STAR SPORT**

# ACTIVITY CAMP

PARTY DAY | MULTI SPORTS | HALLOWEEN TREASURE HUNT | ARTS & CRAFT | PUMPKIN CARVING

**Watford Field Infant & Nursery**  
Neal Street, WD18 0WF

Mon, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov

Full Day: 8:45AM - 3:30PM  
8:30AM Early Drop Off Available

Half Day: 8:45AM - 1PM / 12PM - 3:30PM

£98 FULL WEEK  
£22.50 PER DAY  
£13 HALF DAY

SCAN HERE

**To Book:**  
Visit [www.superstarsportnwl.com](http://www.superstarsportnwl.com)  
& click 'Book Now'  
For more information Call 07719 056 542

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

### MONDAYS:

#### SUPER STAR SPORT

#### DODGEBALL CLUB

Dates: 09.09.2024-09.12.2024

Book via link:

[North West London - Super Star Sport](#)

#### ALL STARZ DANCE ACADEMY

#### STREET DANCE

Monday After School Club 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Dates: 09.09.2024 – 16.12.2024

Book via link:

<https://forms.gle/Cplzxxz17C1WUriFa8>

### TUESDAYS:

#### XTRA TIME

Tuesday Multi Sports:

Dates: 10.09.2024 – 17.12.2024

Book via link:

<https://form.jotform.com/241791744519364>

### WEDNESDAYS:

#### SUPER STAR SPORT

#### NINJA WARRIOR

Times: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Dates: 11.09.2024 – 11.12.2024

Book via link:

[North West London - Super Star Sport](#)

### THURSDAYS:

#### XTRA TIME

Thursday Football

Dates: 12.09.2024 – 19.12.2024

Book via link:

<https://form.jotform.com/241821787879374>



# WHATS ON:



## The Taylor Trek, kindly sponsored by Mercer & Hole and Abbey Roofing is back for 2024! Be part of the legacy...

Join us on **Sunday 13th October** as trekkers look to take on three routes across Watford and the surrounding areas. The walk will take participants on an inspiring journey through the key sites of Graham Taylor's Hornets history, whilst raising vital funds for two charities close to his heart.

Teaming up with fellow charity Rennie Grove Peace Hospice Care.

Both charities will work together to make year three bigger and better than ever, with funds raised split evenly between them. There is more good news for The Taylor Trek 2024 as local accountancy firm Mercer & Hole have completed the hat-trick for years of support.

**Family route:** This route is an accessible 3.5 miles, and is ideal for all the family (including well behaved pets!)

**Medium route:** At 8.3 miles, this route is best for those who want to get some exercise and grab some history along the way.

**Challenge route:** At just over 18 miles, this is your chance to challenge yourself whilst passing all the key sites of Graham Taylor's Hornets history.

[Book your place now!](#)

## FUNDRAISING



**you scan,  
we donate  
££s TO  
SCHOOLS.**

Shop at Asda and every time you scan your Asda Rewards card, Asda will donate 0.5% of your shop to a primary school of your choice! Download the Asda Rewards app today, opt in to Cashpot for Schools, and Asda will do the rest. You've got until the 30th November to donate\*.

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**Stationery Shop** – children can bring in small change for stationery items.

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Did you know that whenever you buy anything online, you could be raising a **free** donation for Field Junior School - Watford? There are over 8,000 brands ready to give them a donation every time you shop online via easyfundraising. It only takes 2 minutes to sign up:

[Field Junior School - Watford Fundraising | Easyfundraising](#)

See if you can beat the staff members' donations!!

Thank you to all of you that have signed up (77 members of the school community so far!!) Remember to access your shopping page from the Easyfundraising app to raise money for school funds).

The dates below are the school closures for the academic year 2024-25

The Junior School and the Infant School have liaised closely to ensure as many dates as possible are the same, however, as both schools have part-time staff and differing training needs, we cannot coincide all dates to suit both schools' needs.

<b>Academic Year September 2024 to July 2025</b>		
Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024	Inset Day	CLOSED
Tuesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024	Inset Dat	CLOSED
<b>WEDNESDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b>	<b>PUPILS IN SCHOOL FOR THE START OF THE AUTUMN 2024 TERM</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Monday to Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> October to 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024	Autumn Half Term	CLOSED
Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024	Occasional Day	CLOSED
<b>Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024</b>	<b>Last day before Christmas break – school closes at 1.30pm</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> December to 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2024	Christmas and New Year break	CLOSED
Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Inset Day	CLOSED
<b>TUESDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b>	<b>PUPILS IN SCHOOL FOR THE START OF THE SPRING 2025 TERM</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February to 21 <sup>st</sup> of February 2025	Spring Half Term	CLOSED
<b>Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025</b>	<b>Last day before Easter break – school closes at 1.30pm</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> April to 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Easter break	CLOSED
<b>TUESDAY, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025</b>	<b>PUPILS IN SCHOOL FOR THE START OF THE SUMMER 2025 TERM</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Early May Bank Holiday	CLOSED
Monday, 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Spring bank holiday	CLOSED
Tuesday, 27 <sup>th</sup> May to 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Summer Half Term	CLOSED
Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Inset Day	CLOSED
Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Inset Day	CLOSED
<b>Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025</b>	<b>Last Day of the Academic Year – School closes at 1.30pm</b>	<b>OPEN</b>
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> July 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2025	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER 2025 HOLIDAYS</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>