



# Newsletter

## FIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL

20.09.2024



Year 5 took part in a virtual schools talk by Katherine Rundall about her new book: Impossible Creatures. The year group already look at Explorers and Skysteppers, which are both Class Readers. Mrs Kenyon has bought the book so it will be in school shortly. Let's hope the children enjoy reading it!

Year 6 are working on dividing and multiplying by 10, 100, 1000. If needed, they can use manipulatives to help them.

With sunny weather this week, year 5 enjoyed their first swimming session this year.

We have a new Music Teacher from Herts Music Hub. Year 3 will be having violin lessons on Tuesday mornings and there will be choir sessions on Fridays for Year 4 - Autumn Term, Year 5 – Spring Term and Year 6 – Summer Term.

Riddle: What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, and has a bed but never sleeps?\*

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



### MORNING ARRIVAL

#### School starts 8.50am

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

Late arrivals, after 9am, 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.



### 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/Cares, who already paid

**Year 6** Mondays & Fridays



### SCHOOL DINNERS

School menu w/c 23.09.2024 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).

### Dates for your diary:



We will be holding informal meetings in each year group for parents, where the teachers will share any useful information and this will be a chance for you to ask questions. Please note - these are not individual meetings for parents but more of a general Q&A session. These are straight after school, in the classrooms on: Monday 23rd for **Year 6**, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> for **Year 4**, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> for **Year 5** and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> for **Year 3**.



#### Year 6 Watford Central Library visit

Wednesday, 25 Sept. 2024 – email sent 10.09.2024 – please make sure your child brings their library card.



#### 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 - email sent 18.09.2024.



#### Year 6 Height & Weight NHS visit

Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 – email sent on 11.09.2024. You have until 25<sup>th</sup> November to opt out if you wish.



#### Year 5 Hazard Alley Safety Centre

Thursday, 14.11.2024 – cost per child £15.50 please pay on Arbor. Children to bring packed lunch in a disposable bag. Email sent 18.09.2024.

## 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.



## ACHIEVEMENTS

### OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Mahir year 3W has recently passed solo introductory stage 3 LAMDA exam with distinction and received a certificate.

***Well done Mahir!***



Gwyneth year 3 has been awarded an achievement from her Chinese school. Even though Mandarin has never been her favourite subject, with hard work and dedication, she passed the level 5 test during summer holiday.

***Keep it up Gwyneth!***



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:

**4C - 99.2%**

**5W - 98.5%**

**3M - 98.1%**



All children have now been put into houses on timestable rockstars, so they are also playing for team points. This week's winners were Badgers but Hares were a close second.

Year 3 - 3M won

Year 4 - 4C won

Year 5 - 5W won

Year 6 - 6O won

Year 3 vs Year 4 ..... Year 3 won! Well done year 3

Year 5 vs Year 6 ..... Year 6 won! Come on year 5, we know you can do this.

More tournaments will be set up for next week.

### 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.



***Birthdays next week:***

***Mohammed yr5, Inaaya yr5, Anthony yr3,  
Adam yr5, Ariana yr5, Luca yr6, Zorion yr4,  
Irfan yr3, Kya yr3***

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

# 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

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

SCAN HERE

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

## WHATS ON:

Celtic Harmony: Family Saturdays – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024

Free outdoor family day – booking required.

Family Saturdays : Celtic Harmony

## FUNDRAISING

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



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).

# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

## MONDAYS:

**SUPER STAR SPORT**

**DODGEBEALL 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/Cplzxx17C1WUriFa8>

## 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>

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>