



# Newsletter 16th May 2025

Dear Parents and families,

What a week it has been! Our Year 6 children have completed their Key Stage 2 SATs this week, and we couldn't be any prouder of each and every one of them.

Throughout the entire year, this cohort has impressed us with their dedication and hard work. They approached this week with remarkable positivity and a truly admirable "can-do" attitude. It was lovely to witness them enjoying the relaxed atmosphere of the SAT's breakfast club with their friends before focusing and giving their absolute best in each of the tests.

A huge thank you must go to Mrs Roberts and Mrs Shortland for their tireless efforts in preparing the children so thoroughly for these assessments. Their guidance and support have been invaluable.

We also extend our sincere gratitude to Denise Hewitt, who very kindly provided a delicious end-of-SAT's treat for our Year 6 pupils today - sausage and bacon rolls and to Mrs Merchese who helped feed the children during breakfast club this week! This thoughtful gesture was hugely appreciated by the children after a busy week.

Today, our Year 6 children have been off-site on a visit to the Henry Moore Museum as part of their art curriculum studies. This trip provided a wonderful opportunity for them to experience world-class sculpture first-hand and will undoubtedly enrich their learning.



## Sponsored Bounce Money

Thank you to everyone who has returned their sponsorship money this half term following the bounce at the end of the spring term. We would really appreciate all outstanding sponsorship money to be sent into school (or paid via the Arbor app) by the end of next week. At the beginning of next half term, we will award children their certificates and prizes.

## Next week

Next week promises to be particularly memorable for our fantastic Year 4 pupils!

Firstly, we're thrilled to announce that Year 4 will be participating in Part 2 of their STEM Day next week. Following their successful glider-making activities in the spring term, they will now be engaging in an online event. This is a wonderful opportunity for them to build upon their previous learning and showcase their scientific and technological skills. We're keeping our fingers crossed that their ingenuity and teamwork will shine, as the winning school will receive a fantastic goody box of prizes to share. Good luck, Year 4 - we know you'll do your best!

Adding to the excitement, Year 4 will also be embarking on their highly anticipated 3-day residential trip to Hudnell Park next week. This promises to be a fun-filled and action-packed adventure, offering invaluable learning experiences outside the traditional classroom setting. We are confident that this trip will provide the children with opportunities to develop their independence, build strong friendships, and create memories that will last a lifetime. Our dedicated staff will be accompanying them to ensure their safety and well-being throughout the trip.

We wish Year 4 all the very best for a successful STEM event and a wonderful time at Hudnell Park. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures and achievements upon their return.

## Year 1 Infant Agility Sporting Event



On Monday, we went to Sele School. We practised our agility skills. We did animal bingo, tennis, football, javelin, frisbee and stuck in the mud. Animal bingo was our favourite we had a sheet with animals on it we had to run to a cone and put a line through the animal. We did frisbee and had to throw it. It was a fun day.

Written by Tiora Byre and Vittori Milner

As always, a huge thanks to the parents who kindly gave up their time to help us staff this event.

## Forest School



Reception class have been enjoying going to Forest School this half-term. We have been nature detectives, identifying and spotting different leaves and trees. We have also had a phonics lesson over at Forest School and the children really enjoyed finding some of our phase 4 words and tricky words. We have had some brilliant writing about Forest School too!

## Drone Footage

We're reaching out with an exciting opportunity to enhance our school website! We envision showcasing the true extent and beauty of our wonderful school grounds through captivating aerial drone footage on our homepage. Our expansive outdoor areas are a real highlight of the school, providing invaluable space for children to play, explore, and engage in outdoor learning. We believe that stunning drone footage would offer website visitors an immediate and impressive visual understanding of the space and opportunities available here. Therefore, we are appealing to the talented members of our school community. If you own a drone and possess the skills to capture high-quality aerial video footage, we would be incredibly grateful for your support. Your contribution would significantly enhance our online presence and help us to showcase our fantastic facilities. Please contact our admin team if you are able to help us with our vision. Thank you.

## Great to Be Gold

	Great to Be Gold	
<u>Pre Sch</u>	<p><b>Julien</b> - Julien has been a superstar this week. He has used his beautiful manners, and has been really kind to his peers. He has also been a star helping at tidy up time. Well done Julien we are very proud of you!</p> <p><b>Florence</b> - Florence has done a great job at settling into Preschool. She has begun to explore the environment independently and joined in with our activities too! Great job Florence, keep it up!</p>	<p><b>Wren</b> - Wren has been fantastic with our growing week theme this week. She has been sharing her knowledge with all her peers about how plants grow. Amazing Wren, great learning!</p>
<u>Nur</u>	<p><b>Skylar</b> - for trying hard in our phonics lessons this week and naming some of the phonemes we have learnt. Great work Skylar!</p> <p><b>Nora</b> - for using her beautiful manners, without being prompted, when a friend helped her. Fantastic Nora!</p>	<p><b>Ned</b> - for being a really kind and helpful friend and showing all of our great to be gold behaviours. Excellent Ned!</p>
<u>Rec</u>	<p><b>Dylan and Theo</b> - for showing a love of learning and working to the best of their ability.</p>	<p><b>Cameron</b> - for always being polite and using his manners</p>
<u>Year 1</u>	<p><b>Mia</b> - showing her love for learning making brilliant class contributions.</p> <p><b>Lola</b> - for being a good role model and always making the right choices.</p>	<p><b>Ben</b> - for paying attention to all adults and being kind to his friends.</p>
<u>Year 2</u>	<p><b>Kayden</b> - constantly makes the right choices &amp; always follows the rules in school.</p> <p><b>Joe</b> - shows a love of learning in all lessons and is always well mannered.</p>	<p><b>Lillian</b> - always pays attention to all the adults and constantly makes the right choices.</p>
<u>Year 3</u>	<p><b>Freya B</b> - for constantly making the right choices and for being an outstanding role model.</p> <p><b>Jacob</b> - for showing a love for learning in science this week whilst learning about magnets. Jacob enjoyed creating a magnetic maze at school so much, he then went home and made 2 more!</p>	<p><b>Shiva</b> - for having a love of learning and for always following the school rules.</p>
<u>Year 4</u>	<p><b>Eleanor</b> - for being an outstanding role model. Eleanor consistently works hard every day, in every lesson. Well done Eleanor.</p> <p><b>Ethan</b> - for working to the best of his ability. I have really noticed Ethan's efforts in class. Well done Ethan.</p>	<p><b>Alessia</b> - for her love of learning. It is always fantastic to see the big smile on Alessia's face when new learning is introduced. Well done Alessia.</p>
<u>Year 5</u>	<p><b>Lexie</b> - for being a good role model in and out of the classroom. Lexie shows all of the Great to be Gold qualities.</p>	<p><b>Jack</b> - for working to the best of his ability.</p>
<u>Year 6</u>	<p><b>Finley S</b> - for paying attention to all adults. Listening to them and taking on board support and advise given.</p>	<p><b>Ronny</b> - for working to the best of his ability in all subjects, asking questions for clarity and making thoughtful contributions in class.</p>

## This Weeks attendance %

Wilson Class (Reception)	97.9%
Riley Class (Year 1)	97.2%
Blake Class (Year 2)	97.9%
Morris Class (Year 3)	97.5%
Seurat Class (Year 4)	97.5%
Crosby Class (Year 5)	98.1%
Moore Class (Year 6)	98.2%

Whole School Attendance this week 97.74%

Whole School Attendance this term 97.21%



## Friends of Watton Update

**HAPPY FRIDAY, EVERYONE!** FOW is excited to announce that the **Dads and Lads Day Shopping Stall** will take place on Friday, June 13th, **in the school hall**. Each class will visit the hall in the morning to choose gifts for the **special people in their lives**. The committee has been working hard to select suitable, **fun, and delicious gifts** for the children to purchase. **Prices range from £1 to £8**, and children may buy multiple gifts.

We will need **volunteers to help ensure the stall runs smoothly**. This fundraiser provides an **excellent opportunity** for the children to independently select gifts for their loved ones, and it's always heartwarming to witness. To volunteer, please [CLICK HERE](#). Thank you **FOW**



## House Points

### This week

**First place - Red House - 339**

**Second place - Yellow House - 334**

**Third place - Blue House - 305**

**Fourth place - Green House - 294**

### Total Scores to date

**First place - Yellow House - 2,372**

**Second place - Green House - 2,318**

**Third place - Red House - 2,234**

**Fourth place - Blue House - 2,133**

## Birthdays this week

We wish these children a very happy birthday



There have been no birthday celebrations this week.

## Fantastic Finish

This week, Year 2 'wrapped' up their healthy eating learning by making their own healthy wraps. This combined their DT/ PSHE & Science learning. The children enjoyed filling, rolling and eating them!



## Headteacher's Awards



Each week, staff are constantly looking for children in the school who are showing awareness of one or more than one of our school learning values. These values will help children to become better learners as well as developing their relationships with others around them. Children are recognised for their achievements with being awarded Headteacher's Awards.

### **Reception:**

Lynette and Molly for showing resilience with their writing and really wowing us with what they achieved.  
Louis for showing empathy and kindness by moving where he sat at lunchtime so that his friends could sit next to each other.

Kayden for trying really hard to be more independent with his learning during adult-led activities.

### **Year 1:**

Oscar- for having resilience by doing his work independently.  
Jack- having pride in his work and learning new skills.

### **Year 2:**

Jolene- for showing resilience in our quick-fire cricket P.E lesson.  
Penelope - for being creative with clay in our Art lesson.  
Jordan- for being very respectful in lessons to adults and peers.

### **Year 3:**

Daisy - for having high aspirations during our cricket lesson.  
Hadley - for having high aspirations during our cricket lesson.  
Nathan - for demonstrating resilience and independence in his French lesson this week.

### **Year 4:**

Bettie - for her kindness and empathy. This week, Bettie was seen helping the younger children during lunchtime. Well done Bettie.  
Ffion - for having pride with regards to her handwriting, particularly the size of her letters. Well done Ffion.  
Louis - for showing curiosity in his learning. Louis regularly asks questions to support his learning and develop his understanding. Well done Louis.  
Henry - for his resilience in our writing lessons. Henry has been pushing himself to achieve the intended learning. Well done Henry.

### **Year 5:**

Sam A - for his team work in our science lesson this week where the class made posters showing the parts of a plant.  
Arien - for his team work in dissecting a plant to create a living poster.  
Eddie - for having resilience in maths  
Leo - for having high aspirations in P.E.

### **Year 6:**

Billy - for being reflective and independent in his work, taking on board feedback to improve his work.  
Lexie - for having high aspirations in PE, being determined not to drop the ball resulting in an amazing catch.  
Charlie - for showing great resilience and determination when things are challenging resulting in his confidence increasing.

# *Watton at Stone Primary and Nursery School*



## *Sports Day* (Nursery – Year 6)

When: 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025 (reserve date is 24<sup>th</sup> June)

Where: On the school field

Please ensure that children have their water bottles, a sunhat and are wearing sun cream if it is a hot day. We will have gazebos for the children to sit under but unfortunately, there is no shelter available for spectators.

Followed by:

Family Picnic – 12pm – 1pm (so long as it isn't raining!)

### **Year 1 and 2**

The sports events will start at approx. 9.15am and finish at approx 10.30am.  
Parents are welcome to walk around with the children whilst they take part in each event.  
Children are to come to school dressed in their P.E kits and with t shirts in their house colour.  
Please enter the school grounds and exit via the main gate near the school office.

### **Nursery and Reception classes**

The sports events will start at 10.45am and finish at approx. 11.45am.  
Parents are welcome to come and support the children whilst they take part in each event.  
Children are to come to school dressed in their P.E kits and with t shirts in their house colour (the teachers will send you this information via Marvellous Me).  
Please enter the school grounds and exit via the Nursery green gate.

### **Years 3, 4 5 and 6**

The sports events will start at approx. 1.20 and finish at approx. 3pm.  
Parents are welcome to walk around with the children whilst they take part in each event.  
Children are to come to school dressed in their P.E kits and with t shirts in their house colour.  
Please enter the school grounds and exit via the main gate near the school office.



## **Watton-at-Stone Primary School**

Watton-at-Stone Primary School, Watton  
House, Watton at Stone, Hertford, SG14 3SG

**Tue 27<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 30<sup>th</sup> May**

**FULL DAY:**  
£27 per day  
£98 for the week  
Year 1 - 7  
9AM - 3PM

**HALF DAY:**  
£16 per day  
Reception



**SCAN HERE**



### **To Book:**

Visit [www.superstarsport.co.uk](http://www.superstarsport.co.uk) 'Book Now'  
For more information call 01992 766 707

## Dates For Your Diary

Diary dates in red -new dates added this week

### **Summer Term**

- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Year 4 STEM day part 2
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> May - Y4 Hudnall Park Trip
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May - 30<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term
- From 2<sup>nd</sup> June (for 2 weeks) Year 4 multiplication check for Year 4
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Inset Day
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Inset Day
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June - Year 6 PGL meeting for parents 6pm
- **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Fire Brigade safety assembly**
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Year 1 trip to Mountfitchet Castle
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June - Pupil Parliament Meeting (change of dates)**
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June - FOW clothing collection**
- Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> June - Year 1 phonics screening checks
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day 1
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Year 3 class trip to Celtic Harmony
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Year 4 class assembly 9am
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June - No Pens Day/Forest School visits
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June - No Pens Day/Forest School visits
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 PGL
- **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - New to Nursery class (September 2025) parent meeting 6pm**
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day 2 (in case sports day 1 is cancelled due to the weather)
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Year 3 class assembly 9am
- **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June - New to Reception class (September 2025) parent meeting 6pm**
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Watton's Got Talent
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June - 4<sup>th</sup> July - Little Wandle Assessments
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 9am - Year 6 class assembly
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - FOW Playout
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - Reception class trip to Epping Forest
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> July - Assessment Week

- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 play 6pm
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July - End of year reports sent home
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 play 6pm
- **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Year 6 leavers service in church**
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - End of Term 2.15pm