

Reception

Reception children have been learning about the eating habits of mini beasts commonly found in and around our gardens.

In a cross curricular activity the children read information from cards placed around their outdoor play area about different mini beasts diet. The cards gave the children the details they needed to find the food that the mini beasts like eating such as leaves for the snails and soil for the worms – which they made up into a plate of food.

Using resources in the classroom the children made their own snails, spiders and butterflies.



Year 1

Continuing with their Science project Year 1 have been sorting animals into groups this week. They discussed the differences and similarities of animals, birds and fish; such as some have 4 legs, some have fins, live on the land or in the water etc. Using pictures of animals they sorted them into the correct group types in their workbooks.

Blue Class are continuing to watch the Peregrine and there was great excitement this week when the eggs hatched! Go to www.hawkandowl.org.uk to see the Peregrine nest.



Year 2

One of the learning objectives for Year 2 this week was to understand what is meant by a food chain.

Paying particular attention to respect the habitats the children went outside to look for mini beasts to observe and sketch. They looked at what the creatures they found were eating and discussed what might eat them!

They will be finding out how animals are linked by what they eat and that energy passes from one animal to another as they eat plants or one another.



DIARY DATES SPRING TERM 2018

1st-25th May

KS1 Statutory Tests

Thursday 3rd May

Get Active Walk – Parents & Grandparents – 2.30 pm

Monday 7th May

Bank Holiday – School Closed

Thursday 17th May

Year 2 Southend on Sea Visit

Friday 18th May

Reception Mead Open Farm Visit

21st-25th May

Science Week

Monday 21st May

Science Carousel Day

Thursday 24th May

Yr1 Whipsnade Zoo Visit

Friday 25th May

Spectacular Science Afternoon

2.30pm + Parents

HALF TERM

Mon 28th May – Fri 1st June

Swimming begins – rota tba

Tuesday 5th June

African Drama Workshop

11th-15th June

Phonics Check Week Yr1 & some Yr2

Wednesday 13th June

New Intake Parents Meeting 2pm, 7pm

Friday 15th June

INSET Day – School Closed for Children

Friday 22nd June

Non Uniform Day – Jazzy Jars

Wednesday 20th June

Sept 2018 Visit 1.30-2.30pm

Friday 29th June

Non Uniform Day Cakes & Bottles

Sept 2018 Visit 1.30-2.30pm

Saturday 30th June

Summer Fair 12.00 – 3.00pm

Keep up with news and events at North Watford Library on facebook



Friday Parent to Lunch

If you would like to join your child for Friday lunch you can make a booking at the school office.

Payment must be received in advance and space is limited.

The cost is now £3.35.

Available Friday only.

Thank you.

Verse Speaking Competition

Well done to all our finalists. It takes a lot of courage to stand up and recite a poem in front of an audience, we were very proud of you all. The children were judged on their expression, fluency and volume and our congratulations go to:-

Year 2	Elodie
Year 1	Nishma
Reception	Cassie & Maisy



Mathletics

We are now using Mathletics as part of our maths lessons at school and your child can also have access to this rewarding online resource at home! All children have been given a unique sign in and a letter with details of how to sign in and how parents can get free progress updates. Extra Mathletics practice at home can make all the difference to your child's progress, they can earn bronze, silver and gold certificates. We have tried Mathletics in school lessons and for homework and the children were captivated! We are very fortunate to have this resource and be able to share it with you at home, please keep your log in details safe, and enjoy using it ☺

It's Never Too Late To Be Active Join Us For a Fun Daily Mile For All Ages Event

3rd May, 2.30pm

The children have been asked to invite an older adult they know to walk the Daily Mile with them on the above date. We will be encouraging everyone taking part to sign up to the campaign at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/nevertoolate. If you sign up we will be entered into a prize draw to win £1000 for health and wellbeing activities at the school, you will also receive a free activity pass and the opportunity to enter a prize draw to win prizes including an iPad, Fitbit and vouchers. Being active has many physical and mental health benefits whatever our age. Parents and carers are invited as well – come along, have fun with us, and collect your special Kingsway certificate for taking part! Please use the North Approach entrance.

Safeguarding

Quality assurance is integral to daily practice. Any concerns are sent to three DSP's who check if the referral needs to be acted upon, monitored or filed under a different category. We regularly edit in response then feedback to staff to ensure the system is constantly evolving.

Sponsored Bouncy Obstacle Course

Thank you for your donations – we have collected an amazing



Model Railway Exhibition – Saturday 12th May – 10.00am-4.30pm

South West Herts Model Railway Society is holding their annual exhibition at Queens School, Aldenham Road on the above date and time. With the opportunity to drive model trains and purchase items for your collection there is something for all the family. Accompanied children under 15 – 2 free per adult or £3, adults £6. Go to www.southwesthertsmrs.org.uk.

Attendance

Blue Class won the attendance cup for the first week of the Summer term – well done!

Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. If you arrive late, after 8.55 am, it is important to sign your child in at the school office.

ORANGE	95.2%	RED	96.3%
GREEN	96.6%	YELLOW	93.8%
BLUE	98.9%	PURPLE	94.8%

Literacy Challenge

Can you remember the months of the year?

Philosophy For Children (P4C)

If you could be a mini beast what would you be?

What do you think?

DIARY DATES SUMMER TERM 2018

Thursday 5th July

Picnic Lunch Day

Friday 6th July

Theatre in School – Jungle Book

Monday 9th July

Full Governing Body Meeting

Wednesday 11th July

Family Open Evening

Friday 13th July

Sports Day 9.30

Reports Home

Monday 16th July

Rocksteady Concert + Parents 2.15

Wednesday 18th July

School Disco 5.00 – 6.00 pm

SUMMER TERM ENDS

FRIDAY 20th July at 1.30pm

23rd & 24th July

INSET Days – School Closed for Children

25th, 26th & 27th July

Occasional Days – School Closed

AUTUMN TERM 2018

3rd & 4th September

INSET Days – School Closed for Children

Wednesday 5th September

Autumn Term Starts

See our website for more dates for 2018/2019

School Fund Contributions

School fund contributions are now due for the last term of this school year. The suggested donation is £3.50 which goes towards, art, craft, cooking and science etc. If you have already paid, or paid £10 for the whole year thank you – the children have really enjoyed using the resources.

Letters

Sent Out This Week

School Meal Orders Summer 2



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