



## Message from the Head

Dear Parents/Carers and Watling Park Community

Welcome to our final newsletter of the first half-term. Firstly, we would like to wish a 'Happy Diwali' to all our families who will be enjoying food and festivities during this period. Thank you from all the staff for the tasty treats that we have received.

Mrs Wader led a whole school assembly on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October and told us the story of Rama and Sita and explained to us why Diwali is the 'Festival of Lights'.

You will all have received the letter letting you know that term will end on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any queries about it, please let me know.

The children in Years 1 and 2 have had a wonderful day today dressing up as pirates and playing games that they brought in. It was a great end to their first topic.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, children in Years 1 and 2 were visited by a drama group who presented an Anti-Bullying Workshop based on the book 'The Little Princess'. This is in preparation for Anti-Bullying Week commencing on 13<sup>th</sup> November. Please ask your children to tell you all about it. It was an action-packed and informative workshop.

It was lovely to meet so many of you at the coffee morning yesterday. We enjoyed the chance to speak to you in an informal way and we hope you managed to complete the parent questionnaire. If you would prefer not to complete a paper copy, please use the Survey Monkey option. We ask that you complete the survey only once.

We will be offering an 'Introduction to Phonics' workshop on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October and we hope that you will be able to join us and learn about how we teach phonics to the children. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS IN THE OFFICE as classrooms have limited space and we would like it to be as interactive as possible!

## Our Values



Recently, we had a safeguarding visit organised by the Trust and we are pleased to tell you that:

- . Safeguarding procedures and policies for the school have been updated, are available on the website and monitored by governors.
- . All staff across the school have received Safeguarding training, which includes training on E-safety, Prevent and FGM.
- . A tests of visitors to the school was carried out and all visitors are sufficiently checked and vetted to be allowed to access the school, with a clear lanyard system
- . The building is safe and in good order as you would expect.

Some additions need to be made to the building such as drinking water signs and we have been advised to add to our websites. Further policies that, although not statutory, would be useful. We will be doing this over the course of the next half-term.

Please read the website for details about 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures' day for Y2 on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very restful and enjoyable half-term. We recommence on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Happy half-term to you all

Ms S Mallick  
Acting Head teacher

## This week we recognise: Stars of the week

### Pear Class

Aasiyah – using loud voice to share her thoughts  
Yusra – for being an amazing poet

### Pine Class

Nazawali –exemplary behaviour and trying really hard in her lessons.

Deusa – working really hard in her lessons, especially phonics.

### Hazel Class

Francis – engaging successfully with class learning

Fatima – taking part during class discussions.

### Cedar Class

Kaloyan – working beautifully in topic and always staying focused .

Angel – trying really hard in maths

Next term we will report all STARS of the week for the whole fortnight.



Class	Attendance	Lates
Elm	96.07%	2
Oak	97.36%	3
Pear	96.71%	2
Pine	94.65%	2
Hazel	98.28%	1
Cedar	98.4%	2

# Phonics

Workshop Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>  
October 2017

Please sign up for this in the  
school office.

## Swimming



Year 1 – Pine & Pear Class  
Tuesday

Year 2 – Hazel & Cedar Class  
Wednesday

On swimming days, children can wear their P.E tracksuit for the whole day. School uniform will not be worn on swimming days.

## P.E



Year 1 – Pine & Pear Class  
Wednesday

Year 2 – Hazel & Cedar Class  
Tuesday

On P.E days children will come in school uniform and bring their P.E kit. They will return home in their P.E kit with their uniform in their P.E bag.



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**Friendly Reminder®**

A warm welcome to the new committee members.

- Dominique Sealy - Chair
- Christina Knight - Vice Chair
- Mariam Abdulrazak - Treasurer
- Miriam Nettleship - Secretary
- Vanessa Fernandes - Oak rep
- Bhavna Adatia - Elm Rep
- Nicola Damms - Pear Rep
- Muna Jenkins - Hazel Rep
- Ivandre Sardinha - Cedar Rep

We are still looking for a representative for PINE class. If you would like to be a class rep, please see Dominique Sealy.

- Holidays in term time – Please note that holidays in term time cannot be authorised by the school. Any requests for leave are considered on an individual basis and will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and where your child’s attendance is over 95% .
- Please take care when driving / walking along Pavilion Way.
- Please do not obstruct residents driveways/parking bays.

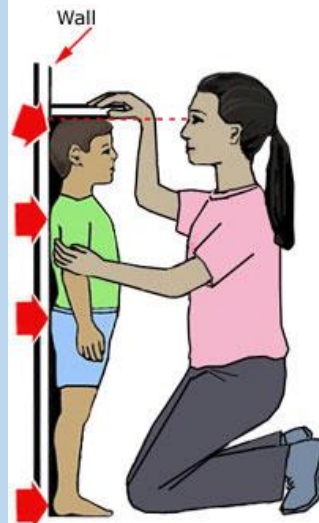


### National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)

This is a programme led by local authorities and involves the school nursing service measuring the height and weight of all **Reception** and **Year 6** children in schools.

Barnet Healthy Weight Nurses Team will be visiting Watling Park School on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

An information sheet will be sent out to all Reception parents on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017.



## NHS Flu vaccine

The Nasal Flu vaccine is being offered to children from Reception to Year 4 in schools across the country.

The NHS school age immunisation team nurses will be visiting Watling Park School on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. We will be sending out consent forms after the half term.

# 5 reasons to vaccinate your child against flu

- ✓ **1. Protect your child.** The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia
- ✓ **2. Protect you, your friends and family.** Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family
- ✓ **3. No injection needed.** The nasal spray is painless and easy to have
- ✓ **4. It's better than flu.** The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record
- ✓ **5. Avoid costs.** If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

**What should I do?**  
Children aged two and three years old are offered this vaccination in general practice. Your child's GP surgery should contact you. If you haven't heard from their GP by early November, contact them directly to make an appointment.  
Children in reception class and school years 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be offered the vaccine at school. Your child's school will provide details from the local healthcare team.

For more information visit [www.nhs.uk/child-flu](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)

**STAY WELL THIS WINTER**

Flu **i**mmunisation 2017/18  
Helping to protect everyone, every winter