



29 September 2023



Dear Parents,

## Clubs

It has been lovely to see lunch clubs starting again this week. These are run by teachers in school, during lunchtimes and allow us to provide opportunities that children may not get as part of the school curriculum. Growing club today had a fantastic time planting pansys and learning the different parts of a plant! I would like to say thank you to all the teachers who give up part of their lunchtimes to run a club.

## Photographs

A reminder that next week the photographer is visiting. GDPR legislation means that if you have not agreed to your child having their photo taken then your child will not have their photo taken! Please log in to Arbor if you would like a school photograph.

## Parking

I was very disappointed this week to receive a phone call from the daughter of an elderly resident of Northfield Gardens. I am informed that the elderly resident was not able to park in her drive as the dropped curb was blocked by a parent's car, I have been informed that the parent then became very 'confrontational' and refused to move their car to allow her to park.

Please could I ask that you are considerate to our local residents when parking as I am sure that you would not like children to witness any distressed elderly residents.

## Parent Governor

Parkgate Infants and Nursery is looking for a parent governor. Their role is to set the strategic direction of the school, provide accountability to the school alongside being a critical friend. They do this through governing body meetings which happen 6 times a year (usually at 7pm on a Monday evening) and visiting the school during school hours.

If you are interested on being a parent governor, then please complete the form attached to this newsletter (or you can ask the office for a paper copy). This must be completed by Friday 6th September. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Pritchard

## School tours

Each year we hold tours for prospective parents to view the school before applying.

The tour lasts approximately 45 minutes.  
The following dates are open only for parents looking for Reception 2024 :

Thu 5<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am-FULL

Thu 12<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am-FULL

Tue 17<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am-FULL

Tue 31<sup>st</sup> October 9.15am

Please book by emailing the date you would like, with your name & contact number and how many accompanying children are in your group.

Nursery dates will be available in January 2024.

## Attendance

Well done to **Fox class** who had this weeks best attendance!



Badger Class	98.4%
Fox Class	98.9%
Rabbit Class	97.1%
Squirrel Class	92.1%
Mole Class	96.3%
Hedgehog Class	92.6%

## WEEK 2

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mild Chicken Curry with Rice	Veggie Sausages with Gravy with Creamed Potatoes or Pasta (Ve)	Roast Pork with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges or Rice	Battered Fish Fillet with Oven Chips or Wholemeal Pasta
Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread (Ve)	Sweet Chilli Quorn with Creamed Potatoes or Pasta (v)	Shepherdess Pie with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta (V)	Vegetarian Roll (V)	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Oven Chips or Pasta (V)
Tuna Roll	Cheese Sandwich (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Sandwich	Egg Roll (v)
Jacket Potato with various toppings	Tomato pasta with Cheese (v)	Jacket Potato with various toppings	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Jacket Potato with various toppings
		Halal Roast Chicken and Sage and Onion Stuffing with Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta		

## Stars of the Week



Badger— Maya S.

Fox—Aaron

Rabbit—Isla

Squirrel—Yahya

Mole—Zebi

Hedgehog—No consent given

**Well done!**

## Learning Awards



Badger—No consent given

Fox—Halima

Rabbit—Lillie

Squirrel—Scarlett

Mole—Poppy

Hedgehog—Xavi

**Well done!**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

2 <sup>nd</sup> October	School Photos
6 <sup>th</sup> October 9am-9.30am	Badger Class Sharing Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm-6.30pm	Parents Evening
12 <sup>th</sup> October 5pm-8pm	Parents Evening
13 <sup>th</sup> October 9am-9.30am	Fox Class Sharing Assembly
20 <sup>th</sup> October 9am-9.30am	Rabbit Class Sharing Assembly
3 <sup>rd</sup> November 9am-9.30am	Squirrel Class Sharing Assembly
10 <sup>th</sup> November 9am-9.30am	Hedgehog Class Sharing Assembly
17 <sup>th</sup> November 9am-9.30am	Mole Class Sharing Assembly
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations

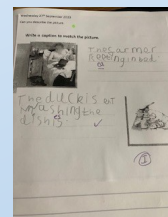
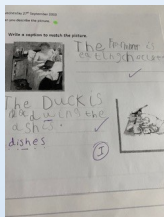
### Message from our librarian

#### Watford Hongkongers

Join in with Cantonese storytelling and Hong Kong story in English at Watford Central Library on the first Saturday of every month, 2-3pm.

### This week in Rabbit Class...

This week in Rabbit class we have been reading Farmer Duck. We wrote captions using pictures from Farmer Duck. We worked hard to use our phonic knowledge to write words. We also made sure we used a capital letter at the start of our sentence, a full stop at the end and finger spaces between our words.



### This week in Parkgate Pirates ...

This week, we have been learning about the seasons and weather. The children particularly enjoyed making Autumn animals and leaves for our school hall display board, using various types of leaves, coloured pencils and pens.



ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR AT  
PARKGATE INFANTS AND NURSERY SCHOOL

NOMINATION FORM

Your Name: .....

(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr)

Address:

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I have a child at the school and hereby nominate myself for election as a governor. I understand that if elected I will have to undergo a pre-appointment check. Biographical details (80 words maximum) for circulation with the voting papers are given below.

Signature: .....

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Seconded\* by: .....

(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr)

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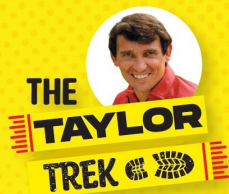
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The seconder must be a parent of a pupil at the school.

Biographical detail (80 words maximum)



# THE TAYLOR TREK



*Be part of the legacy.*

**15 OCT '23**

Cross the finish line at Vicarage Road Stadium in this charity walk around Watford and surrounding areas, in honour of the man who started it all.

Join us as we explore the key sites of Graham Taylor's Hornets history whilst raising vital funds for a charity close to his heart.

@WFCTrust

20% discount in the Hornets shop on the day of the Trek - just flash your medal at the counter!



Running for the second year, this unique event will bring together Watford FC fans, legends, supporters, Trust beneficiaries, and families. So, whether you take on the full challenge, medium route, or join the family route, be part of the legacy and raise funds for the Trust.

## Routes & Distances

### Registration fee:

- £25 for adults
- £10 for under 18s
- £60 for a family of 4



Challenge Route = 18.5 miles

Medium Route = 8.5 miles

Family Route = 3.5 miles

\*Routes may be subject to minimal changes.

**For more information and to register now, visit:**

[www.watfordccsetrust.com/the-taylor-trek/](http://www.watfordccsetrust.com/the-taylor-trek/)



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## October Half Term Football Holiday Courses

Fun & educational football sessions for participants aged 6-13

**Watford and Harpenden  
10am-3pm**

£25.00 per day.  
£10.00 discount if you book all five days.

1-2-1 sessions also available between 3.10pm-4.00pm

**Monday  
23<sup>rd</sup> October  
to Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
October**



*"Best camp (my child) has ever done."*  
-Parent, holiday course participant.