



Newstead Academy 2023-2024 Weekly Newsletter

Spring 1 Week 3 26th January 2024

Another busy week at Newstead! This week saw the second Waterton Schools Parliament meeting. This time it was held via Teams, Archie and Michael - our school council representatives – attended, and joined in discussions around important subjects such as school dinner provision across the trust and celebrations for the upcoming 10th anniversary of the Trust as well as Waterton’s Got Talent which will be taking part in March.

Attendance

Thankyou for your support with ensuring that your child’s attendance is the best that it can be to ensure that their routine and progress remains as unaffected as possible during term time. We know that sometimes your child may be unwell and this cannot be avoided, if you are ever unsure about if your child can attend school, please contact school for a conversation and advice, we are happy to support however we can.

Car Park Safety

We have now opened the pedestrian gate at the bottom of the main car park and ask that parents and carers who drop children off at school use this please; For yours and your child’s safety please also stick to the marked yellow path through the car park to the main school gate where children are dropped off with staff.



Safeguarding Signposting – NSPCC – Pantosaurus and the PANTS rule - [Let's talk PANTS | NSPCC](#) - Developed in consultation with children, parents, carers and teachers, Talk PANTS is here to help children understand their body belongs to them, and they should tell a safe adult they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.



What have our Busy Bee's been learning this week?

We have had seen some incredible focus from the children this week in their learning!

Hive 1 - Theresa

It's been another lovely week in Hive 1. We have been learning about how things connect in maths. We have learnt a new penguin dance in topic and explored Antarctic animals and habitats through ice, music and videos. The children have been practising their listening skills and using their communication boards well.

Hive 2 - Vic

This week we have continued learning about Winter and cold climates. We have listened to a story about a Polar Bear and created some beautiful collage artwork. We had great fun painting with coloured ice cubes too-although we did get a bit messy! Our Grown Ups are proud of our listening skills in Music Interaction group.

Hive 3 - Craig

This week in hive 3 we have been practicing our writing skills and we are getting so much better, lots of proud faces after finishing our work, in maths we have been adding and subtracting and in topic we have been comparing the arctic and Antarctic environments

Sign of the Week

This week our sign has been 'Rain'



Diary Dates

February Half Term – Monday 12th February 2024 to Friday 16th February 2024

World Book day – 7th March

Easter Holidays – Monday 25th March 2024 to Friday 5th April 2024

Early May bank holiday – Monday 6th May 2024

May Spring Bank Half Term – Monday 27th May 2024 to Friday 31st May 2024

Finish for the Summer holidays – Friday 19th July 2024

INSET day - Monday 22nd July



A smile and a positive attitude can take you a lot more places than a frown and an "I can't."



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