



# Watling Lower School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy learning week at Watling Lower School ended with our 'Children in Need' **Spot the Spot Competition**. Thank you for supporting this national charity event here at Watling Lower, I am sure the children will have enjoyed the day and hopefully there were some cakes left for you at the end of the day!

Just to clarify some date changes, we told you about the change of **INSET days** next year in our Newsletter last week. Unfortunately we didn't change the date in the Diary dates section. The summer term will start for children on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April** and the INSET Day will now be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

We have been asked whether the school will be open on **30<sup>th</sup> November** when industrial action has been called by a number of Unions. At this point in time we are unable to say whether this will or will not affect our school. Obviously, a core number of staff is needed for the school to be open but at this moment of time we are not in a position to make any decisions. We will however let you know as soon as possible.

As you will be aware we are proud to have **Healthy School Award** status and promote healthy living when and wherever possible. With that in mind we would like to remind you that we expect packed lunches will not contain sweets and chocolate and we hope you will support us in this.

We have received a message from Rob Payne, Youth Pastor at Dunstable Community Church to ask if we would let you know about their **Christingle Kids Service**, on Sunday 4th December 2011 at 5.30pm. This is a yearly event, held by Dunstable Community Church at Dunstable Conference Centre (51 High Street North).

We would also like to remind those of you who bring your children to school by car that the zig-zag markings outside are a '**no-parking**' zone. We have noticed a few people are still parking on the zig-zags and would remind you that the police now have a van equipped with automatic number-plate recognition which will be used to deal with motorists who continue to ignore parking regulations outside schools.

Next week on Wednesday **Elm Class** will hold their **Class Assembly**, we hope as many parents as possible will be able to attend. We are all looking forward to seeing it.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S. Penglase  
Headteacher

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