

# Waterhouses CE Primary Academy

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## NEWSLETTER

"Celebrate Learning, Achieving and Friendship in God's Love"

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SUNRISE BREAKFAST CLUB available daily: 7:45am-8:45am

SUNSHINE AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB available daily: 3:30pm-6:00pm

To book either please telephone 07581 710209 (Mrs Derbyshire) or email [Derbyshire.D@waterhouses.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:Derbyshire.D@waterhouses.staffs.sch.uk)



### DATES AND EVENTS FOR WEEKS BEGINNING Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Monday	<b>School swimming Reception to Year 5: afternoon - don't forget your swim kit including hat.</b> Y6 SATs booster sessions: 3.30 to 4.30pm PTFA Meeting @The Crown, Waterhouses: 7.00pm
Tuesday	<b>Tag Rugby tournament @ Leek Rugby Club for participating Penguin pupils: 10.00am to 11.45am</b> Ukulele Club: beginners @ Noon, Improvers @ 12.30pm <b>Y6 SATs booster sessions: 3.30 to 4.30pm</b> After School Football Club: 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Wednesday	<b>After School Sports Club, Cricket and Rounders: 3.30pm to 4.30pm</b> Extra-ordinary Full Governors' Meeting: 6.00pm <b>Waterhouses Community Swim: 6.00pm to 9.00pm</b>
Thursday	Governors' and Pupil Lunch: From Noon <b>Taekwondo Club: to 4.20pm - please collect promptly</b> Governors' Curriculum and Attainment Committee Meeting: 6.30pm
Friday	<b>Celebration Worship: 9.15am</b> Governors' Leadership and Management Committee Meeting: 9.15am <b>Becky Hunt Music Lessons</b> Band Practice for enrolled pupils Y1 to Y6: 12.30pm to 1.00pm with Becky Hunt <b>Orienteering festival @ QEGS for White Tiger pupils: 12.30pm to 3.00pm</b> Waterhouses Community Family Swim: 3.30pm to 5.30pm



On Monday the children in Otters' class visited the Churnet Valley Railway as part of their topic on transport inventions. To find out how steam trains impacted on people's lives the children became evacuees for the day. Armed with their gas mask box and identity cards, they boarded the train at Froghall and experienced life during the blackouts. Upon arriving at Cheddleton the children learned about life as an evacuee, identified British and German aircraft, tasted food from the wartime era, interviewed genuine evacuees and spent a war time penny in the shop with a ration book.



The children had a wonderful time. Their behaviour was impeccable and they impressed staff organising the event with the questions they asked and answered and the knowledge they demonstrated.

Thank you to Mrs Cooper, Mrs Derbyshire, Mrs Hallam and Mr Cooper for accompanying the children.

### Tri Golf Event



On Tuesday, 6 children from Otters class were invited to take part in a Tri Golf Festival at St Leonards First School in Ipstones. The children got to practise their putting and swinging over a series of challenging and enjoyable mini-holes. All the children were praised for their fantastic effort and behaviour and they all thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Thanks to Mrs Lockey and Mr Walker for accompanying the children.

Team: **Constance G, Faith H, Esme B, Harley H, Connor A, Harry F**



### Scarlet Fever and Chickenpox

Please be aware that we have a confirmed case of Scarlet fever in school. Symptoms include swollen glands, rash, flushed cheeks. It is easily treated with antibiotics and pupils can return to school after 24hrs of treatment.

There is also a confirmed case of Chickenpox in the Otters Class. Government recommendations are that a child can return to school after the spots dry out and scab over, usually 5 days.

### "Under the Sea" Mental Maths



Congratulations this week go to **Cadence** for achieving her Pufferfish Level on the scheme and to **Cameron** who has completed



the three levels on his self-set target of Ordering Fractions.

### Half Term Topic Letters

A summer term letter re Foundation Stage was sent home this week. Other classes are continuing with their existing topics.

### Year 4 Laches Wood Visit



Laches wood information pack went home with Year 4 pupils on Wednesday. Please complete the consent and medical form promptly and return to school, otherwise your child will not be

able to go on the visit. Please remember that the payment balance needs to be made by the end of this coming week, **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May**.

### Our New Website

Our website has been refreshed, please do take a look. There are still some 'tweaks' and updates needed so please bear with us. Within the new format you can however still access the calendar and term dates, newsletters, policies and much more.

### New Parents Evening

If your child will be new to either Nursery or Reception in September a date for the introduction to parents has now been confirmed as **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June**; new Nursery at 6.00pm and new Reception at 7.00pm

### Water Rapids Pupil Band

The Friday lunchtime band with Becky Hunt has proved very popular and is now full. They may be making public performances later in the term but is primarily to have fun and enjoy making music with their friends. Details of the choir will be coming soon.

### Ukulele Club

The Ukulele club will be back to **Tuesday** lunchtime this week.



### News from the Dining Hall



Cook, Mrs Andrew, wants to give **Freddie F** a special mention, as last week he tried a fish finger and found it very tasty, and has come back for more this week! Well Done Freddie! He was presented with a winner's medal for trying something new.

### PTFA Band Night

The PTFA Dance and Band night has been confirmed for **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May** here at the school, **8pm 'til Late**.



The local band, **Stepping Lane**, will be playing their brand of rock and pop being influenced by sounds from the 50's through to current times. They will be playing their own music and covers.

There will be a licensed bar with real ales and a gin bar. Tickets are £7 each and available from Kayleigh on 07866 027120. It is always a good night so get your ticket NOW!

### Scholastic Book Catalogues

Book catalogues are in book bags today, Friday. Take a look, there is always an interesting selection. Remember as well as you benefitting with a good price the school also benefits from your purchases, receiving commission.



Your book order and payment (cheques payable to QEGSMAT) should be returned to Mrs Bradbury by the last day of half term, **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**. Thank you

### Aspire Charity Swim

Mrs Bradbury is showing great perseverance, and being closer to the French coast than the white cliffs of Dover is gritting her teeth and thinking of pain au chocolat. She is now **15.5** miles across the channel.



If you would like to sponsor Mrs Bradbury for this Diabetes Awareness charity please either contact her directly or speak to the office. Thank you for your support.

### Dates for Your Diary

\***Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day - Reception @ 11.00am**  
**Y1 to Y6 @ 1.15pm**

\***Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday - School Closed**

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> May to Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May: Y4 Laches Wood Visit**

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> to Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May: Y6 KS2 SATS Exams**

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> May: PTFA Dance night**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May: Y4 Inspire Visit to Lichfield Cathedral**

**Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May 9am: Celebration Worship @ Methodist Chapel**

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> May to Fri 1<sup>st</sup> June: Half Term Holiday**

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**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June: School re-opens**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June: New Parents Evening - Nursery 6.00pm,**  
**Reception 7.00pm**

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> June: Superhero Dressing Up Day**

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> June: Otters Phonics Screening Tests**

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> June 9.00am: Bag2school**

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am: Fathers' Day Celebration Worship**

**Wed 27<sup>th</sup> June: KS2 Summer Production Dress Rehearsal 2pm**  
**Evening performance 6pm**

**Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> June: KS2 Summer Production 6pm**

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> June 9.15am: Celebration Worship**

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> July: QEGS Y6 Transition**

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> July: Churnet View Y4 Transition**

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> July: Health & Sports Week**

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> July: School Swimming Gala (tbc)**

**Thu 19<sup>th</sup> July 9am: Celebration Worship @ Methodist Chapel**

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July: Last Day - Leavers Assembly 2.30pm**