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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



DATES AND EVENTS FOR WEEKS BEGINNING Monday 4th June 2018

Monday	SCHOOL RE-OPENS School swimming Reception to Year 6: afternoon - don't forget your swim kit including hat. Army Challenge Camp 3 of 5 for participating Y6,5 & 4 pupils: 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Tuesday	Ukulele Club: remember your ukes! Penguins and White Tigers PE swapped from Wednesday this week only: Don't forget your kits After School Football Club: 3.30pm to 4.30pm Reception New Parents Evening: 5.30pm
Wednesday	Y6 Kwik Cricket @ QEGS: 1.00pm to 3.00pm After School Sports Club, Football & Dodgeball: 3.30pm to 4.30pm Waterhouses Community Swim: 6.00pm to 9.00pm Full Governors Meeting School Agenda: 6.30pm
Thursday	Taekwondo Club: to 4.20pm - please collect promptly
Friday	Superhero Dressing-Up Day in exchange for a donation Becky Hunt Music Lessons Water Rapids band & Water Voices Choir Y3 to Y6: 12.30pm to 1.00pm with Becky Hunt Waterhouses Community Family Swim: 3.30pm to 5.30pm

School Leadership

Since Mrs Lockey announced her retirement there has been much discussion with Governors, the MAT and the Diocese as how best to move forward with the school leadership in these changing times for education.

We are now in the position to announce that from September **Miss Sellers** will become Head of School here at Waterhouses. Further details can be found in the attached letter from our Chair of Governors. The staff looks forward to working with Miss Sellers in her new role and we are sure the school community will join with us in congratulating her and wishing her all the best.

GDPR & our new Privacy Notice

You may be aware that data protection legislation is changing from today, 25th May. A copy of our new Privacy Notice and Data Protection Policy can be accessed via our website. The Privacy Notice has been emailed to parents and others connected with our school setting and also appears on the noticeboard outside the Community entrance. We try very hard to make sure the information we provide is helpful, informative and not excessive, however if anyone at any time wishes to opt out of receiving texts or email communications from us, please put your request in writing and specify if you

are opting out of school related communications, 3rd party communications (e.g. PTFA, Community Swim events), or both. Thank you for your support.

Year 4 Lichfield Cathedral Visit



On Tuesday our Y4 children visited Lichfield Cathedral for an 'Inspire' day. As well as having the fantastic opportunity to see and be inside this amazing building, they also met up with children from other schools and took part in

a range of activities. These included the 'cube', singing, the 'poverty trap' and finding out about St Chad. As always, the children's behaviour was superb and they were a credit to the school.



Thank you also to Miss Hall and Mr Walker for coming along with us.
Mrs Lockey

Congratulations Miss Sellers!

Over the half term holiday Miss Sellers is getting married! She was presented with a jar of good wishes and a book of cards from the children. In addition the Otters put together a lovely wedding album of handmade pictures of a bride and groom, cakes & invites.



We wish her all the best and hope she has a lovely day. We look forward to welcoming her back as **Mrs Lafford**.

Y4 Orienteering

Last Friday Year 4 pupils took part in an orienteering event at Churnet View Middle School. The children had a great time working in teams of two or three using a map of the area to find locations.

Special mention goes to Annabel who was chosen by the Y7 leaders for her overall enthusiasm and good orienteering skills and for which she was awarded with a medal.

Leek United Football Tournament

Last Thursday evening, our Y4 boys took to the field at Leek Town Football Club to take part in the inter-school 6-a-side football competition. The standard of the teams was very high and our boys played magnificently to achieve 3 draws and 1 defeat. Although this was not quite enough to get through to the knockout stages this year, the children competed well in every game and created lots of chances, showing great perseverance, resilience and teamwork.

Team: **Jamie C, Ethan H, Adam H, Thomas H, Jacob B, Joe F, Matthew J, Joe G**

Y3 & 4 Hockey Tournament

On Wednesday two teams of Y4 boys took part in a Hockey competition at Westwood College. After battling out a 2-2 draw against each other the boys went on to win 3, draw 2 and lose one match. Their records in the competition were identical which resulted in both teams finishing second in their group. Both teams played brilliantly, supporting and encouraging each other throughout and showed great respect for the referee and their opponents.



Team: **Jacob B, Jamie C, Joe F, Ethan H, Adam H, Thomas H, Matthew J, Cameron McN**

Y6 Quad Kids

On Thursday our Y6 children took part in a Quad Kids competition at QEGS. Events included a 75m sprint, a 600m run, a standing long jump and a throwing contest. The boys and girls ran and jumped their way around the course and competed well against some strong competition. Special mentions to Logan and Emilie who finished 1st and 2nd in their respective 75m sprints.

Team: **Logan, Jack, Richard, Tom, Charles, Emilie, Lily, Libby**



PTFA Dance

A big "thank you" from the PTFA to everyone who came along to the dance on Saturday and helped make it a great night.

Just over **£1,000** was raised, a fantastic amount!

A special thanks from the PTFA committee and the school to those that helped in the run up, on the night or at the clean-up. Without your hard work the event could not go ahead, it is greatly appreciated.



"Under the Sea" Mental Maths

Congratulations to **Oliver C & Faith G** who have both achieved their Starfish Level and **Kaiya McC** who has passed her Shark level.



Accelerated
Reader

Achievements

Once again, we would like to congratulate our exceptional readers in Years 2 - 6 for achieving their points targets this half term. It has been very busy with SATs preparations for Year 2 and Year 6 and with so many SATs texts to read, it is surprising some of them have still found the time to read their accelerated reader books! A big "Well Done" to all of the children who have persevered and achieved their reading goals this time around. As always, certificates were awarded to our avid readers in our Celebration Worship this morning alongside our 'Most Improved Readers' who were:

Ladybirds - **Phoenix W**

Otters - **Harry F**

Penguins - **Matthew J**

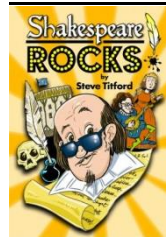
White Tigers - **Sophie G**

Our summer bookworms were awarded with a book to take home and treasure.

Our 100% raffle winner was drawn this morning. **Bethany G** was the lucky ticket holder and also chose a book to take home as a prize for her quizzing success.

And finally, attached to the newsletter is our Accelerated Reader word count leader board. It's great to see some new names creeping up the list; however **Isabelle L** remains on the top spot this time around; a very big well done to you!

KS2 Summer Production



The White Tigers and Penguins summer production this year is a fresh and funny musical about William Shakespeare and the Elizabethan era: "Shakespeare Rocks!"

We ask for your help in sourcing a few rather unique items! Please can you ask around/have a root in the attic for the following items and pass them onto Mrs Davies or Mrs Lafford if you manage to find them! Please, only share these with us if they are not so precious as they will be well-used!

We will need:

Trumpets (At least 2!)

A lute

An ink well and quill

A washbowl

Many thanks for your continued support.



The next Bag2School collection will be **Wednesday 13th June at 9.00am**. A bag went out this week with each pupil. We have more at the entrance near the Office if having a good sort-out over the holidays. Bags can be brought in at any time. Details of what can be put in them are with the bag or on the company website.

Leavers

There are still a few **Churnet View** induction packs to be returned to our school office for us to pass on to Churnet View early next half term. Thank you.

Water Rapids and Water Voices

Becky Hunt's Water Rapids Band and Water Voices choir will come together in the Friday lunchtime practice after the half term holiday: Exciting!

Next Half Term Sports Clubs

Football Club and KS2 After School Sports Club (Football & Dodgeball alternate weeks) will continue for 6 weeks next half term. Letters have been sent home. Taekwondo will be for 5 weeks, omitting a date in June when the coach is away competing. There are still a couple of places left on the KS2 Sports Club if your child wishes to join.

Army Challenge Camp

The children are thoroughly enjoying this experience. This will continue for 3 more sessions next half term, as detailed in the letter. Please ensure the medical and photography consent forms for participating children issued by Darren "Flash" Gordon, the session leader, are completed and returned, if you have not already done so. Thank you.

School Swimming

After the holidays **Year 6** will again take part in swimming lessons on Monday afternoons. Swimming for pupils in Reception to Year 6 restarts the first day back - Don't forget your kits!

Toast

Please remember the cost of a piece of breacktime toast will increase to **30p** per slice after the half term holiday. Please ensure your child has the correct change **each day** when they have toast. The older children are responsible for taking the money and they do not deal in credits and "I owe U's". Thank you.



Superhero Dressing-Up Day - Friday 9th June



The first Friday back in the new term has been designated Superhero Dressing-Up Day by the School Council as part of their fundraising efforts for Alder Hey Hospital and Diabetes Awareness.

Pupils can come to school dressed as their favourite superhero (real life or the comic universe) in exchange for a donation towards these chosen causes. You have the holidays to plan a fab outfit!

Waterhouses Community Swim

The last swim of term is tonight, Friday 25th from 4.00pm. The pool will be closed over the half term holiday and open as normal w/c 4th June: on the Wednesday - Family Swim 6.00pm to 7.30pm, Adult Swim 7.30pm to 9.00pm and Friday Family Swim 3.30pm to 5.30pm. Please check their Facebook page for updates.

Dates for Your Diary

***Please note Amended Time**

Fri 20th July: Last Day - Leavers Assembly 2.00pm

Mon 11th June: Otters Phonics Screening Tests - Begin

Mon 11th June: School Nurse visit Rec & Y6 Height & Weight Measurement (consent forms already processed)

Wed 13th June 9.00am: Bag2school

Fri 15th June 9.15am: Fathers' Day Celebration Worship

Wed 20th June: New Nursery Parents Evening - **5.30pm**

Wed 27th June: KS2 Summer Production Dress Rehearsal 2pm
Evening performance 6pm

Thurs 28th June: KS2 Summer Production 6pm

Fri 29th June 9.15am: Celebration Worship

Tues 3rd to Thurs 5th July: QEGS Y6 Transition

Tues 10th to Thurs 12th July: Churnet View Y4 Transition

Fri 13th July: PTFA Mobile Climbing Wall at school

Fri 13th July: PTFA School Disco (tbc)

Mon 16th to Thurs 19th July: Health & Sports Week

Mon 16th July: School Swimming Gala (tbc)

Tuesday 17th July: Sports Day - Reception @ 11.00am
Y1 to Y6 @ 1.15pm

Thu 19th July 9am: Celebration Worship @ Methodist Chapel

Local Church Services

Waterhouses Chapel

Regular Sunday services 6.30p.m.

Sunday 8th July: Chapel Anniversary - 3.00p.m.

Cauldon Flower Festival (26/27/28 May)

Sunday 27th May: Family Friendly Service 10.00a.m.

Waterfall Church

Sunday Services

27th May, 3rd, 10th June at 6.30pm

17th June - 10a.m. (Morning Prayer)

24th June - 9.30a.m. (Holy Communion)

8th July - 10a.m. (Morning Prayer)

22nd July - 6.30 p.m. (Evening Prayer)

29th July - 10.00a.m. (Morning Prayer)

Waterfall Fete end August Bank Holiday Weekend

Calton Church has a Holy Communion Service on 27th May

Trinity Sunday Service, @ 9.30am

*Have a lovely half term holiday
and see you back at school on
Monday June 4th*



Total Words Read This Year

22,944,638

