

# Waterhouses CE Primary Academy

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## NEWSLETTER

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

Date: 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020



SUNRISE BREAKFAST CLUB available daily: 7:45am-8:45am  
SUNSHINE AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB available daily: 3:30pm-6:00pm

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Welcome back.

It has been fantastic to welcome back everyone to school this week. I certainly know that as a parent, my own children have been so looking forward to getting back to school.

As a school we are very much focusing on ensuring that all of our children feel happy, safe and supported, as we know that unless this is in place, their ability to learn will be lessened.

The children have adapted very well to the health and safety measures that are in place, and whilst they take time, they are necessary in order to keep everyone as safe as we possibly can.

Can we take this opportunity to remind you all that you must maintain social distancing at drop off and pick up times. We ask that you leave the school site as soon as your children have entered the building. As a school we want to do everything that we can to minimise the potential transmission of the Covid 19 virus. We thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

Unfortunately, due to staff absence, the school does not have the capacity to support the safe operation of the pool and equipment at this time. Therefore, no swimming will be taking place this term. We will advise you as soon as we are able to re-open the pool. We fully appreciate the disappointment that this causes, but as a small primary school we do not have the funds to employ further staff to run the pool safely. Please be assured that we fully intend to re open the pool in due course.

David Wood  
Director of Education

### **Midday Supervisor needed!**

If you or someone you know would be interested in working as part of our team please contact the school office on 01538 308356. The role is for term time Monday to Friday, from Noon to 1.15pm. If you are available for only a few days a week please contact us as well.

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Please use SchoolMoney to make payments as much as possible to avoid office staff having to handle money. You can ring in to pay by card over the telephone if you are unable to access the SchoolMoney website, but please ring and speak to the office who may be able to help you. Thank you.

Personalised letters have been sent out from Staffordshire County Council to Year 6 pupils for applications to Secondary school. Applications are made online and the deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020.



The government fruit scheme should recommence next week

on Wednesday, for children in Ladybirds and Otters classes. You may wish to provide your child with a healthy snack before that day. The older children may also bring in a healthy snack for their morning break.



**National Bug Busting Day 31st Oct 2020**  
The aim is to find all the head lice and zap them in one fell swoop. This stops them from circulating endlessly.

The event is held three times a year to encourage co-ordinated bug busting to try to stamp out head lice. Even scarier than Halloween!

We hope everyone has settled into their new year groups, any problems do contact the Class Teacher via the dojo, or via the school office.