



Waterhouses CE Primary Academy

“Let your light shine”

Make your light shine, so others will see the good you do and will praise your Father in heaven. Matt 5 v 16

Newsletter 7 : 20-11-23

Dear Parents/Carers,



Thank you to everyone who bought poppies. We have sent our donation box to the Royal British Legion.

Thank you also for your generous donations for Children in Need. We raised £106!



We are still having issues with our heating system. We are working hard to get this repaired as soon as possible, but in the meantime, please send your child with layers as we are relying on portable heaters. We are still waiting for a part and then contractors will be able to complete the repair.

The Clay Rooms

All the children have had a fabulous time working with the Clay Rooms to make a fabulous Christmas decoration. These will be fired and returned to us before the end of term. Please look at the Facebook page for photos of our creative and artistic potters! Thank you PTFA for funding this.

Forest School

I am thrilled to inform you that we are able to bring back our Forest School activities for the children. These will start in January and each class will have a session each week for half a term. White Tigers will have Spring 1, Penguins : Spring 2, Otters : Summer 1 and Ladybirds will have Summer 2. I will give out more details of actual dates, clothing and footwear before the end of this half term.



Scholastic Books

The next order deadline is 24th November.

Primary Stars Cluster Sports



Our Y2s have been invited to join our Y3-6 in the Cross Country event.

The next cluster sports event is Cross Country on 28th November. These events form part of our PE lessons and are for all pupils. The children will leave school after lunch and will be back before the end of the school day.

Please use this form to give consent if not completed already -

<https://forms.office.com/e/08J4mJh4P3>

Christmas Fayre : Friday 1st December



The PTFA are busy finalising our Christmas Fayre which is taking place on Friday 1st December from 3:30pm. If you can help in any way, please contact the school office who will be more than happy to pass on messages to the PTFA team. Our fayre will start with Carols by the tree led by Mr Prescott and the children.

Christmas Carols @ Waterhouses

We are excited to be holding our Carol service in school on Wednesday 20th December at 6pm. This event will be led by our pupils and Mr Prescott and everyone is welcome! Please do invite friends and family. There will be drinks and mince pies available.



Reminders

- Please can you ensure that if your child is wearing earrings, they should be a simple stud.
- Long hair should be tied back.
- Please ensure all clothing is named so if it does get lost, it can be returned to its owner!
- No smoking or vaping is permitted on any part of the school grounds.

Christmas Lunch

Miss Sophie will be serving a Christmas lunch for parents to share with their children on December 6th. Please complete the link to the online form by **November 27th and** make your payment via parent pay. Adult meals are priced at £4.00 If you require a vegetarian option or have any food allergies, please state it on the form.



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Places are strictly limited to 2 adults per family. If we have any extra spaces available, a message will be sent via DoJo and allocated on a first come, first served basis.



Sunshine After School Club

Please note there will be no Sunshine After School Club Friday 1st December P.M, due to the Christmas Fayre.

Kind regards,

Rachel Linton

Headteacher

Waterhouses CE Primary Academy and Nursery

Dates for the Year 2023-4

Autumn 2023	
20 Nov	The Clay Rooms from Ashbourne are visiting to work with the children to make something special for Christmas. Many thanks to the PTFA for funding this.
28 Nov	Y2-6 KS2 Cross Country Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
1 Dec	9.15am Celebration Assembly PTFA Christmas Fair : 3:30pm Please offer any help to the school office.
5 Dec	White Tigers to QEGS Culture Day. Leaving school at 9am, returning for 3:30pm.
6 Dec	Parents Christmas Lunch : 12 noon
7 Dec	Martha Harris : Footballer to visit school
8 Dec	9.30am : Ladybirds Nativity Play
11 Dec	Pantomime Visit: Buxton Opera House : Please complete the permission slip and make payment via parent pay. Children need to be at school for 8.30am
13 Dec	Stoke City FC to lead Assembly
18 Dec	Christmas Service at Waterhouses Methodist Chapel: 9am
20 Dec	Community and School Carol Service with mince pies to be held in school : 6pm All Welcome.
21 Dec	Children, Staff and Governors Christmas Lunch
22 Dec	School closes for Christmas holiday
Spring 2024	
8 Jan	INSET day for staff
9 Jan	School opens for pupils Spring Term
10-12 Jan	Y5/6 Residential trip to Stanley Head : Information to follow
19 Jan	Whole School History Day
30 Jan	Parents Evening
2 Feb	Waterhouses Primary does The Great British Bake Off : 2pm onwards. Afternoon Tea and Cake Stall in aid of PTFA Celebration Assembly : 3pm (please note change of time)
8 Feb	Parents Evening
9 Feb	School closes for half term
19 Feb	School opens for pupils Spring 2
23 Feb	Whole School Science Day
26 Feb	White Tigers and Penguins to visit Derby Faith Trail : details to follow
5 Mar	Governors Meeting
7 Mar	World Book Day Prizes for best homemade costume and potato character. Details will be sent nearer the time.
12 Mar	Y5-6 KS2 Netball Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
14 Mar	Mother's Day lunch @ 12 noon. More information to follow
19 Mar	Y3-4 KS2 Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
15 Mar	9.15am Celebration Assembly
21 Mar	Penguins and Otters Play : 2pm details to follow
22 Mar	Easter Service at Waterfall Church School closes for Easter holiday
Summer 2024	
8 April	Children and staff start Summer 1
30 April	Y3-6 KS2 Mega Athletics Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
3 May	9.15am Celebration Assembly

13-16 May	KS2 SATS
20 May	Whole School Design Technology Day
21 May	Y3-6 KS2 Quick Cricket Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich Governors Meeting
23 May	White Tigers to visit Aspire at Lichfield Cathedral
24 May	School closes for half term
3 June	INSET Day for staff
4 June	Children start Summer 2
4 - 14 June	Y4 MTC during these 2 weeks
10-14 June	Y1 Phonics Screening
11 June	Y3-6 KS2 Rounders Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
13 June	Father's Day lunch @12 noon. More information to follow
25 June	Y3-6 KS2 Sports Day Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich Governors Meeting
4 July	School Show : 2pm and 6pm : details to follow
5 July	Sports Day
8 July	Whole School Art Day 3.30pm Art Exhibition : Parents/Carers are welcome to come and see the art work the children have created today.
12 July	9.15am Celebration Assembly
18 July	Leaver's Assembly 2:30pm
19 July	School closes for Summer 2