



# 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 8 : 4-12-23**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Christmas Fair**

Thank you to everyone who supported our successful Christmas Fair on Friday evening. The PTFA have told me they have raised around £700 for their funds. A special thank you to Charlotte, Katie and Sarah and their team of volunteers who spent time planning and preparing for the event.



Term is getting very busy, so I've listed below the events happening in school to help you!

### **Stanley Head Residential 10-12 Jan : Y5/6**

Parents and children meeting at 3.30pm **today** in White Tigers Classroom

### **Parents Christmas Dinner**



This Wednesday at 12 noon. Miss Sophie will be selling raffle tickets to raise funds for treats for the children. It is also Christmas Jumper day for a donation in aid of Save the Children.



### **Ladybirds Nativity : Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Our youngest children will be holding their Nativity on Friday at 9.15am. Please do join us if you can.

### **Panto : Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

The children need to be at school at 8.30am prompt. The children need a water bottle and smart school uniform.

### **Stoke City Assembly**

We are excited to be welcoming Stoke City Football Club to our school assembly on 13<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Christmas Carols @ Waterhouses**

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



### **Christmas Parties**

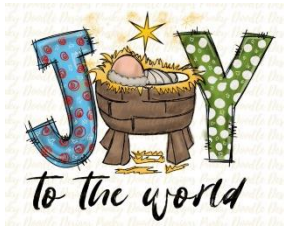


**Please bring your party clothes to change into**

Otters, Penguins and White Tigers : Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Ladybirds : Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

## Christmas service at the Methodist Chapel



Please meet at the Chapel from 8.45am onwards for our service at 9am on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Staff will walk any children in breakfast club over at 8.30am and at the end of the service, staff and pupils will walk back to school. If you are able to help walk with the children back to school, any help is greatly appreciated.

## 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.



## Primary Stars Cluster Sports



Congratulations to all our fabulous Y2-6s who attended the Cross-Country Cluster event last week! The next Cluster sports event is in March 2024. We will send out the results once we have the results from Primary Stars!

## Heating Repairs

We are expecting that the Asbestos removal company will be commencing their work on Wednesday of this week. Please refer to my letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> November for further information.

Kind regards,

*Rachel Linton*

Headteacher

# Waterhouses CE Primary Academy and Nursery

## Dates for the Year 2023-4

Autumn 2023	
4 Dec	Stanley Head parents meeting 3.30pm in White Tigers classroom
5 Dec	White Tigers to QEGS Culture Day. Leaving school at 9am, returning for 3:30pm.
6 Dec	Parents Christmas Lunch : 12 noon Christmas Jumper Day : donations for Save the Children
8 Dec	9.30am : Ladybirds Nativity Play
11 Dec	Pantomime Visit: Buxton Opera House : <b>Children need to be at school for 8.30am</b>
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 : Christmas lunch will be the only option available
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 : Please arrive at 8.45 with the medical form
19 Jan	Whole School History Day
30 Jan	Parents Evening
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
15 Mar	2pm Mother's Day afternoon tea led by the PTFA. Celebration Assembly at 2.45pm More information to follow
19 Mar	Y3-4 KS2 Primary Stars Cluster @ Parwich
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 artwork 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