



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 9 : 19-12-23

Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of Autumn term is almost upon us. The staff and I would like to thank all the children for their hardworking attitude and happy faces this term. They bring such happiness into the school each day. We have packed a lot in! We've enjoyed a visit from Pep the Poet, visits from our Governors and Trustees, Sporting cluster events, Grandparent lunch, Harvest festival, our Story shed opening, Geography Day, Bottle Bingo, Parent Christmas lunch and a Panto to name a few! We still have our Carol service, parties and Christmas lunch to look forward to this week!

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! The children need to arrive at 5.50pm in smart school uniform. Please do spread the word and invite friends and family. There will be drinks and mince pies available beforehand. The playground will be open for parking.



Christmas Parties



Please bring your party clothes to change into

Otters, Penguins and White Tigers : Wednesday 20th December (afternoon)

Ladybirds : Wednesday 20th December (morning)

Parents of Y5/6 : Stanley Head

Please pay all outstanding balances for Stanley Head by Friday 22nd December. Many thanks.

Parent Pay Balances

Please can all balances for parent pay be cleared by Friday 22nd December. Thank you.

Heating Repairs

The asbestos removed and the burst pipes have now been repaired. Our heating system is now working normally. Thank you for all your understanding with this issue.

Bags2School

If you are having a declutter over the holiday, we will be holding another Bags2School in the New year. Our collection date is 12th March, but do feel free to bring your donations in before this. We will send out more information of what they will accept in January.

Thank you for all your support this term. The staff and I would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Have a lovely holiday whether you are at home or travelling further afield. Spring Term opens for the children on **Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 8.45am**

Kind regards,

Rachel Linton

Headteacher

Waterhouses CE Primary Academy and Nursery

Dates for the Year 2023-4

Autumn 2023	
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
22 Jan	Year 6 SATS Club : 8am with Mrs Samways
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