



Waterhouses CE Primary Academy and Nursery

"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

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What wonderful costumes we had to celebrate World Book Day 2025! The staff and I were so thrilled that everyone came up with some imaginative and fun ideas for our "Come as a Word!"

Well done for those children who entered our bookmark competition. Congratulations to Robyn, George S, Xander and Isla who won the book vouchers. Some of the designs are displayed in school by the office. Thank you to Miss Ange who took a great deal of time to judge the entries. Mrs Samways told her favourite story "Elmer" during our World Book Day Assembly. Later that morning, two of our Governors, Mrs Pakes and Mrs Johnson joined me to share our favourite stories with the children.



Volunteers needed

We would like to overhaul the garden area by the entrance the children use, and we would like some volunteers to come and clear the area and dig it over ready for some new plants. If you are able to offer some help, please contact the school office. Thank you!



Secret Story Tellers

As a school, we are promoting the love of reading for pleasure. We are keen to start our "secret reader" again. The idea behind it is that someone comes into class to share a story without the children knowing. If you would like to come into school to share a story with one of our classes, please can you contact the school office to arrange a suitable day and time.



School Office

Our school office is open from 8.30 am until 4pm. If you need to speak to school urgently after 4pm, please press option 3 to speak with staff in the Sunshine Club who will pass on any messages.

Photos needed

As part of our Christian Vision and Values, we are updating one of our display boards to show our Christian Vision and Values in action. If you have any photos of the children demonstrating our values of Love, Hope, Trust and Respect you are happy to be shared on our notice board along our corridors, please email them or bring a hard copy into school. Examples of these could be sporting activities, beavers, rainbows/brownies, helping at home, dancing... the list is endless! Thank you to those who have already sent some in.

Mother's Day Assembly and Lunch

We will be holding our annual Mother's Day assembly and lunch on Thursday 27th March. The assembly will start at 11.30am (please arrive from 11.15am so we can get everyone seated before the children sing at 11.30am) Lunch will be served from 12 noon. Bookings will open on 26th February and please pay via Parent Pay. Please inform us when booking if you have any dietary requirements.



Dance



This half term, Primary Stars will be teaching dance taught by a dance specialist on a Friday afternoon. Children should come dressed in their P.E kit.

Parent/Carer Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to complete our annual parental questionnaire. The Governing Body and I will be looking at these and will report our findings back to you in the near future.

Best wishes,

Rachel Linton (Mrs)

Headteacher

Dates for the Year

Spring Term 2025

10 Mar	Science Day
18 Mar	Primary Stars Indoor Fundamentals Festival at Waterhouses EYFS – Y2 : morning
26 Mar	White Tigers to visit Queen Elizabeth's Show.
27 Mar	Mother's Day Assembly and Lunch
28 March	Years 5 and 6 to visit Parliament and the London Eye
3 Apr	PTFA Break the Rules Day : details to follow
9 Apr	Spr 2 Themed Homework to be brought into school for Y1-6
10 Apr	9:00am Easter Service and Celebration Worship at school. Please note the change of venue
11 Apr	School closes for Easter holiday
Summer Term 2025	
28 Apr	School reopens for all pupils at 8:45am
29 Apr	Sum 1 Themed Homework set for Y1-6
5 May	School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
5-9 May	Deaf Awareness week
6 May	School reopens for all pupils at 8:45am
12- 15 May	Y6 SATS week
13 May	Full Governors Meeting
21 May	Sum 1 Themed Homework to be brought into school for Y1-6
23 May	9:15am Celebration Worship in school School closed for half term holiday
2 June	INSET Day : School closed for pupils
3 June	School reopens for all pupils at 8:45am MTC Y4 week 1
4 June	Sum 2 Themed Homework set for Y1-6
9 June	Y1 Phonics screener week MTC Y4 week 2
12 June	School Disco : 3.30-4.30pm
20 June	EYFS Sports Morning Y1-6 Sports Day Afternoon
23 June	Geography Day
27 June	Reserve Day for Sports Day if the weather gets wet on 20-6-25
1 Jul	Full Governors Meeting
3 July	2pm and 6pm : White Tigers end of year play
4 Jul	Annual Reports to parents sent out
7 Jul	Drop-in Parents Meeting : an opportunity to discuss your child's annual report. Meet the teacher ready for September 2025.
8,9 and 10 Jul	Queen Elizabeth's Transition days for Y6
10 July	Ladybirds visit to Adventure Farm - Burton
11 Jul	9:15am Celebration Worship in school
15 Jul	Sum 2 Themed Homework to be brought into school for Y1-6 Last swimming lessons for the year
17 Jul	Leavers Collective Worship : 2:15pm
18 Jul	School closes for the summer holidays