

# **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

#### Newsletter 11: 24-2-25

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely half term holiday and have enjoyed some family time.

Thank you to everyone who supported our "wear red" on the last day of term. We are delighted to be sending the Air Ambulance £112.



Penguins class recently took part in "Godly Play" which was led by a team from Waterhouses Methodist Chapel. The learnt about the parable of the Sower and made these fabulous models of plants and flowers.





We were excited to welcome Pottermus from Stoke City Football club before half term. He led the children in some exercises and Emily told the children all about Stoke City Football Club.

Please find the link on DoJo for discounted tickets for the Stoke match on 1 March.



A big thank you to the PTFA and staff who organised and helped out at the children's Valentines disco.

### **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.

#### **White Tigers**

White Tigers will be taking part in the Queen Elizabeth's Primary Arts Day on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February. They will be leaving promptly at 9am and returning before the end of our school day. Please speak to Mrs Samways if you have any questions.

#### World Book Day: Thursday 6th March: Advance Notice



This year we are asking the children to come dressed as a word. For example: happy, stripy, colourful, etc. Please do not go to any expense, use what you have already. We would also like the children to bring a favourite book to share with another child as part of their lessons that day.

#### Mother's Day Assembly and Lunch

We will be holding our annual Mother's Day assembly and lunch on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March. The assembly will start at 11.30am and lunch will be served from 12 noon. Bookings will open on 26<sup>th</sup> 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 for Otters, Penguins and White Tigers. This is in addition to their weekly swimming and PE sessions. Children should come dressed in their normal school uniform and bring their kit to change into.

Best wishes,

# Rachel Linton (Mrs)

Headteacher

# **Dates for the Year**

Spring Term 2025	
24 Feb	School reopens for all pupils at 8:45am
25 Feb	Spr 2 Themed Homework set for Y1-6
28 Feb	Primary Stars Dance for Otters, Penguins and White Tigers. Please bring your PE Kit to change into each Friday during Spr 2.
6 Mar	World Book Day : Come as a word!
10 Mar	Science Day
13 Mar	Y3/4 Bikeability
14 Mar	Y5/6 Bikeabliity
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	Year 5 and 6 to visit Parliament : more information 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 Waterhouses Methodist Chapel.
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
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	Queen Elizabeth's Transition days for Y6
Jul	
11 Jul	9:15am Celebration Worship in school
15 Jul	Sum 2 Themed Homework to be brought into school for Y1-6
18 Jul	School closes for the summer holidays