



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 15 : 28-4-25

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have enjoyed a happy and relaxing Easter holiday. Summer term is here and we have lots of wonderful events and activities planned for this coming term.

It was wonderful that so many of you could share our Easter play and worship during the last week of term. As ever, all our children performed to a high standard and demonstrated our Christian Values. Thank you to the staff for practicing the songs and a special thanks to Mrs Hulme who gave up many lunchtimes to practice the play with the children.

During the holiday, the PTFA held their annual "Chocolate Bingo." It was well attended and about £500 was raised. Thank you to all the PFTA who helped out on the evening. The funds raised make a real difference to our children.

Plants needed!



Before the holiday, Mr Martin, kindly spent the day clearing the weeds from the garden area at the front of school. It is now looking ready for some new plants. We are keen to get it planted up with some new plants. If you are able to donate a plant or two, we would be really grateful. Mrs Bradbury will plant any donations with the children. Thank you for your support!

Change of Academy



During the Easter holiday, the DFE approved our change of Trust. There are many aspects of due diligence to complete before our move to TMPF. We hope this move will occur on September 1st 2025. The Governing body and I will keep you updated on our progress during this term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Gordon Kneller via the school office.

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! Please keep sending them in. We love seeing our pupils' achievements outside of school!

Forest School

This half term, Primary Stars will be leading Forest School for the Ladybirds class. Mrs Hulme has sent out information about this via DoJo.



Swimming and PE



Swimming lessons will continue every Tuesday, please ensure that your child has their kit.

PE lessons will continue for Otters on a Tuesday, Penguins and Ladybirds on a Wednesday and White Tigers on a Thursday.

After School Clubs



Miss Garratt will be leading a new after school club each Thursday from 3.30 to 4.30pm called "The Light Club" There will be no charge for this but please book your child a place via the school office. This club is open to children from Reception to Y6.

Mr Walker will be holding his popular sports club on a Wednesday from 3.30 to 4.30pm for Y3-6. Please refer to the message which was sent out before the holiday and book places via the school office.

Below is an updated list of the events happening this term. It will be added to as the term progresses. Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Best wishes,

Rachel Linton (Mrs)

Headteacher

Dates for the Year

| Summer Term 2025 | |
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| 28 Apr | School reopens for all pupils and staff at 8:45am |
| 29 Apr | Sum 1 Themed Homework set for Y1-6 |
| 2 May | Dog's Trust visit for R-Y6 |
| 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 |
| 20 May | Y3-6 Primary Stars : Quick Cricket at Parwich 6pm Full Governors Meeting : change of date |
| 21 May | Sum 1 Themed Homework to be brought into school for Y1-6 |
| 23 May | 9:15am Celebration Worship in school School closes 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 Y4,5 and 6 : Humanities Day at Queen Elizabeth's. More details to follow |
| 4 June | Sum 2 Themed Homework set for Y1-6 |
| 5 June | Y6 Goblin Car event at Fradley : more details to follow |
| 9 June | Y1 Phonics screener week MTC Y4 week 2 |
| 10 June | Y3-6 Primary Stars : Rounders at Parwich |
| 12 June | School Disco : 3.30-4.30pm |
| 16 June | Spirituality Day : a day of different activities for the children to explore |
| 19 June | Rugby Event for Y3-6 |
| 20 June | EYFS Sports Morning |

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| | Y1-6 Sports Day Afternoon |
| 23 June | Geography Day |
| 24 June | Full Governors Meeting : change of date |
| 27 June | Reserve Day for Sports Day if the weather gets wet on 20-6-25 |
| 3 July | 2pm and 6pm : White Tigers end of year play |
| 4 Jul | Annual Reports to parents sent out. Y6 girls : JCB : Women in Engineering Event : letter to follow |
| 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 : more details to follow |
| 11 Jul | Y1-6 Derby Museum trip : more details to follow |
| 14 Jul | 9.15am Celebration Worship : please note the change of date. |
| 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 |

Autumn Term 2025

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| 1 Sept | INSET Day for all staff |
| 2 Sept | School opens for Autumn term 1 for all pupils |