# Waterside News Empowering Learners to Achieve Dreams

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#### **Headteachers Message**

The weather has been much cooler this week and the children have definitely felt the benefits of this in school.

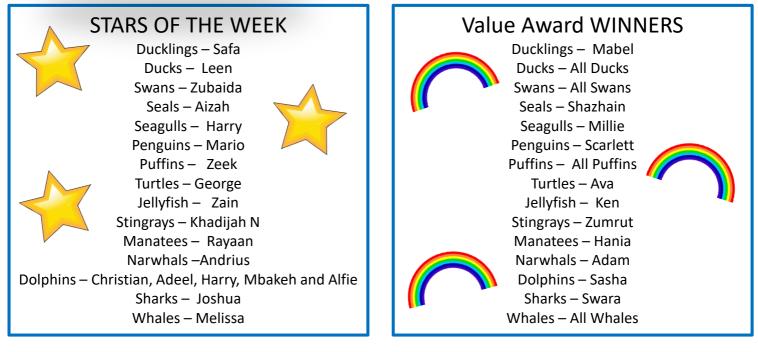
It has been another busy week of a busy half term. Last week our Year 1 pupils complete their Phonics Screening and our Year 4 pupils completed their MTC check. We are so proud of them all. Results are due out next week and these will be sent home via a formal letter.

This week Year 6 have been on many adventures on their out and about week. They have enjoyed walking and crossing stepping stones in Dovedale, made homemade lemonade, supported with our sporting events, canoed and crate stacked at Stanley Head and enjoyed a day of Fitness at the YMCA. All of these opportunities support our PE and Outdoors curriculum whilst developing team building and personal development skills such as resilience. What a great week they have had!

All year groups have taken part in their sports day – luckily the weather remained dry for most of the week and all sports days could go ahead this week. We have a busy few weeks ahead so it was important that the children got to take part in these this week.

Mrs. Willis (Head of School)







Value	Rule
Respect	We always show respect for ourselves, each other and our school.
Excellence	We always do our very best.
Friendship	We always follow our friendship code.
Courage	We always tackle challenges and try being brave.
Determination	We are determined to get our school to outstanding
Inspirational	We will always be good role models to inspire our school.
Equality	We are always fair and value every individual.



This week's value has been Excellence. Excellence is often perceived to be about the pupils being the best or in their words 'getting everything right.' We instil in our pupils that excellence is more than just getting it right. It is about working hard, trying their best and achieving the best that they can for themselves. Excellence is related to personal development and rather comparing themselves to each other we encourage pupils to look at how far they have come and how much they have achieved.

## **SPORTS EVENTS**

This week the children have enjoyed taking part in our Sports week. They have shown great determination and at times courage taking part in the different events planned. This year's event was planned by our PE lead Miss Mayer, who did an amazing job organising this for the children. PE and Sports events are a vital part of our curriculum and these days are great ways to share with you our pupils skills and talents.



Whole school attendance - 94.7% Whole school attendance (excluding nursery) - 94.9%





#### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR SUMMER 2**

Please see below some important dates for Summer 2. More information regarding each event will be sent out separately.

> WB 26.06.23 Eid Celebrations

WB 03.07.23 Transition Days (05.07.23/06.07.23) Nursery / Reception Stay and Play

Due to circumstance out of our control we have had to change the date of the production **WB 17.07.23** Year 5 and 6 Production (18.07.23/19.07.23)

> WB 17.07.23 Parent Open Day (17.07.23) Showstoppers (18.07.23) EYFS Graduation (20.07.23) Leavers Assembly 1.30 – 3.30 (21.07.23)

> > WB 24.07.23 Disco (24.07.23) Last day of term (25.07.23)

### **Scooters**

Over the past few weeks we have had a number of scooters taken from the scooter shed. Sometimes this has been by other children playing on the equipment and possibly thinking that they are the schools scooters to play on. The scooters in the sheds are some of the pupil's own scooters, and not the schools that you can freely use.

#### **School playground equipment**

Please ensure that after school if your child/children is/are playing on the equipment that they are supervised at all times. We are having multiple cases of children returning to the site without parental supervision. Our priority is to ensure all children are safe as staff may not be onsite during this time.

Help with Learning If you require any support with learning, please contact your child's class teacher via class dojo. Help with Behaviour If you are concerned about your child's behaviour, please speak with the class teacher or your child's Phase leader.

#### Help with Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please raise these immediately with Mrs. Willis (DSL) or 01782235100 (Stoke) Help with online safety If you would like information on how to ensure your child is safe online, please contact Mrs. Twigg or Mr. Grocott.